

The AAZK Excellence in Zoo Keeper Education Award

The American Association of Zoo Keepers Excellence in Zoo Keeper Education is presented by the AAZK Awards Committee. The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals, institutions and organizations in the zoological community most actively promoting educational programs for zoo keepers. Examples of such support are: reimbursements for formal education, keeper training courses and staff seminars.

Qualifications

- Any staff individual, institution or organization from a North American zoo, aquarium or related facility is eligible.
- The education program must have been in existence for at least one (1) year.

Nomination Procedure

- Nominate your institution, organization or a staff individual by completion of the Nomination Form.
- Complete the nomination form which includes the nominee's name and position (if applicable), the institution or organization's name, address, phone and Director.
- Nominations should include **supportive documentation** for the committee to review.
- Completed nomination packet (nomination form and supporting documents) may be submitted beginning January 1st and no later than the deadline: **MAY 1st** of each year.

Verification of the nomination requires a signature from the Director/CEO of the facility or their representative.

Selection Procedure

The Awards Committee members will independently review each nominee.