

# AAZK Professional Development Grant



<b>Grant Description</b>
<p>The <b>AAZK Professional Development Grant</b> is designed to assist AAZK Professional members with the costs associated with attending a conference, continuing education meeting or workshop directly affiliated with another membership organization or conservation entity, <b><u>not associated with the AAZK National Conference</u></b>. This grant will help with the costs of travel, registration, and lodging.</p>
<b>Qualifications</b>
<p>Only <b>Professional AAZK members</b>, in good standing are eligible to apply. <i>Persons of Merit within AAZK (Board Members, Committee Chairs/Vice Chairs and Program Managers/Vice Managers), including current members of the Professional Development or Grants Committees, <b>are not</b> eligible to submit a grant application for consideration.</i></p>
<b>Application Deadline</b>
<p>March 1<sup>st</sup></p>
<b>Notification Date</b>
<p>May 1<sup>st</sup> <i>The AAZK Grants Committee reserves the right to extend any award deadline</i></p>
<b>Grant Sum</b>
<p>\$2,000 <i>The Grants Committee reserves the right to divide the funds among grant recipients Applicants are only eligible for a single award within a given grant cycle. If applicants are successful in being selected for multiple grants, they will be asked to select one award and to withdraw from any others.</i></p>
<b>Award Requirements</b>
<p>The AAZK Professional Development Grant is paid in full upon proof of registration/acceptance to the continuing education event. Cancellation of attendance shall result in repayment of grant award to AAZK.</p> <p>Award recipients are required to submit the following within the calendar year of their professional development opportunity:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A photograph of the award winner at their professional development opportunity</li> <li>2. A brief description (~250 words) describing how receiving the AAZK Professional Development Grant was beneficial to the applicant and/or their institution</li> </ol>