

6 SEPARATE NOMINATION REQUESTS APPEAR BELOW.

DEADLINE FOR ALL NOMINATIONS IS JANUARY 31, 2012

**THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS
33RD ANNUAL DISTINGUISHED RESEARCHER AWARD**

Nominations are being sought for the **2012 RSA Distinguished Researcher Award**. Each year this award alternates between biomedical and psychosocial winners. This year's theme will be **psychosocial** – to be defined in broad terms. Next year's theme will be biomedical.

The recipient of this Thirty-Third Annual RSA Award will be presented with a plaque and cash award during the 2012 RSA Meeting in San Francisco. He/She will also be asked to present a Plenary Session during the 2012 meeting.

All scientists except the immediate-past president and the current president, secretary and treasurer of the Research Society on Alcoholism are eligible. Nominations will be accepted from RSA members only. Non-members nominated will be considered but are not encouraged.

Required nominating materials:

Letter of Nomination (2-page limit)

Recent curriculum vitae

3 (not more) representative publications (reprints or PDFs)

Including additional nominating materials is discouraged.

Submissions must be sent electronically, by January 31, to: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net

The RSA Awards Committee members are: Fulton Crews (Chair), R. Adron Harris, Peter Monti, Edward Riley, Kenneth Sher and Edith Sullivan.

THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS 25TH ANNUAL **YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD**

The recipient of the **2012 RSA Young Investigators Award** must be an active investigator in alcohol research and a member of RSA. At the time of the nomination's deadline, he/she must be under the age of 40 and no more than ten (10) years beyond the doctorate (for Ph.D.s) or no more than ten (10) years beyond residency training for those with M.D. degrees. He/She will be presented with a plaque and a cash award during the 2012 RSA Meeting in San Francisco. And, will be asked to present a Plenary Session at the following year's meeting (2013, Grand Cypress, Florida).

Any member of RSA may nominate a candidate for this award. **Nominations should include a description of the candidate's contributions, the significance of those contributions, a recent curriculum vita, and 3 representative publications.** No RSA member may nominate more than one candidate in any given year.

Required nominating materials:

Letter of Nomination (2-page limit)**

Recent curriculum vitae (**should include both birthdate and month and year of receipt of degree(s)**)

3 (not more) representative publications (reprints or PDFs)

Including additional nominating materials is discouraged.

**** The Awards Committee has found that the letter of nomination for the Young Investigator Awards is most helpful if it has statements from multiple scientists that have worked with the candidate.** These statements can provide views of different aspects of the candidate's qualifications. In addition, it is important for the letter to specify the contribution of the application to specific publications or accomplishments. Many publications have multiple authors, complicating the evaluation of the role of the applicant.

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THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nominations are being sought for the **RSA Lifetime Achievement Award**.

Nominees of this award should have a long, balanced career including outstanding research, training, service and advocacy.

The recipient of this award will be presented with a plaque and cash award during the 2012 Meeting in San Francisco.

All scientists except past Distinguished Researcher Awardees and the immediate-past president and the current president, secretary and treasurer of the Research Society on Alcoholism are eligible. Nominations will be accepted from RSA members only. Non-members nominated will be considered but are not encouraged.

Required nominating materials:

Letter of Nomination (2-page limit)

Recent curriculum vitae

3 (not more) representative publications (reprints or PDFs)

3 (not more) letters of recommendation

Including additional nominating materials is discouraged.

Submissions must be sent electronically, by January 31, to: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net

The RSA Awards Committee members are: Fulton Crews (Chair), R. Adron Harris, Peter Monti, Edward Riley, Kenneth Sher and Edith Sullivan.

THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS 6TH ANNUAL HENRI BEGLEITER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

The Executive and Awards Committees of RSA are pleased to request nominations for the annual RSA award to honor Henri Begleiter, a luminary and charismatic leader in the field of alcoholism. Henri Begleiter was instrumental in establishing RSA and making it the society that it is today.

The "Henri Begleiter Award for Excellence in Research" will be given annually at RSA to an individual demonstrating innovation or creativity and excellence in their research, or to someone whose work has a major impact on the field.

- 1) It will not be constrained to young scientists, and it can be interpreted broadly in terms of topic.
- 2) It will be awarded to someone demonstrating Henri's qualities of innovation, impact and excellence to honor Henri's memory.
- 3) It will consist of a plaque engraved with the awardee's name and a cash award – to be presented at the annual meeting.

Required nominating materials:

- 1) Letter of Nomination outlining the characteristics of the person being nominated and why they should be considered. (2-page limit)
- 2) Recent curriculum vitae
- 3) THREE (not more) representative publications demonstrating "Excellence in Research" (reprints or PDFs)

Including additional nominating materials is discouraged.

Submissions must be sent electronically, by January 31, to: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net

The RSA Awards Committee members are: Fulton Crews (Chair), R. Adron Harris, Peter Monti, Edward Riley, Kenneth Sher and Edith Sullivan.

THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS 1ST ANNUAL MARLATT MENTORSHIP AWARD

The Executive and Awards Committees of RSA are pleased to announce the creation of the **Marlatt Mentorship Award** in honor of Dr. G. Alan Marlatt. Dr. Marlatt was a giant in the alcohol research field, but just as important was his exceptional generosity and dedication as a mentor to legions of young alcohol researchers. The mentoring relationship between senior and young investigators is an important one that should not go unrecognized.

The Marlatt Mentorship Award will be given annually to an RSA member whose mentoring of young researchers in the alcohol research field is demonstrated to be exceptional and, therefore, should be recognized by his/her peers.

The recipient of this 1st Annual Award will be presented with a plaque and cash award during the 2012 RSA Meeting in San Francisco.

Required nominating materials:

- 1) Letter of Nomination (2-page limit)
- 2) Five (5) independent testimonials by researchers mentored by the nominee, not all over the same period (each has a 1-page limit)
- 3) Recent biosketch of nominee

Including additional nominating materials is discouraged.

Submissions must be sent electronically, by January 31, to: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net

The RSA Awards Committee members are: Fulton Crews (Chair), R. Adron Harris, Peter Monti, Edward Riley, Kenneth Sher and Edith Sullivan.

For further information about the Distinguished Researcher, Young Investigator, Lifetime Achievement, Begleiter Award for Excellence in Research or Marlatt Mentorship awards contact: Debra Sharp, RSA Director, at 512-454-0022 or debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net

Information about the RSA Media Award is below.

THE RSA IS SEEKING NOMINATIONS FOR ITS 13TH ANNUAL RSA MEDIA AWARD (FORMERLY JOURNALISM)

Nominations are being sought for the 2012 RSA Media Award. The recipient of this Thirteenth Annual RSA Award will be presented with a plaque during the 2012 RSA Meeting in San Francisco.

The RSA Media Award is designed to recognize outstanding journalistic efforts ("journalism" in the broadest sense) of writers who cover empirical research on alcohol. The committee wishes to recognize the ability of science writers to expertly interpret difficult-to-understand scientific findings for a broad audience of non-scientists. The contribution can be in a wide variety of formats, including print, film, video, and web publishing. A prime consideration will be the size and diversity of the viewing audience. RSA members are encouraged to submit nominations, in the form of a letter (or email) to the Committee Chair, with examples of the nominee's work. The nominee can be a single author, multiple authors, or a group. Questions regarding eligibility may be submitted to the Committee Chair.

The committee will use the following criteria in choosing the Awardee:

1. The nominated piece must be scientifically accurate and free of political or fiscal motivations. Interpretations of the scientific data should ideally be neutral and non-judgmental.
2. The piece must be judged to have a major impact on public knowledge. This "impact" could include an analysis of the number of media follow-ups or replications of the nominated piece in other media. Evidence that the piece influenced legislative or public policy decision processes would also be looked upon favorably.
3. Sustained work in the alcohol area by the nominee (i.e., "dedication to the cause") would enhance the value of the nomination.
4. Journalistic quality (i.e., readability, timeliness, value, syndication, etc.) should be above average.
5. A person cannot receive the award more than once.

Submissions must include **eight (8) copies** of the nominating material (including support letter and sample of journalism effort) and must be received by **JANUARY 31, 2012**. **Or submit materials electronically to erickson.carl@mail.utexas.edu**

Send nominations, including support materials to:

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