



School of Life Sciences
University of Dundee

Brian Cox Award for Excellence in Public Engagement with Research

Application Guidelines

The School of Life Sciences is pleased to announce the annual Brian Cox Award for Excellence in Public Engagement with Research. The winner will be presented with the award at the School's Review of the Year in January 2019.

Nominations are invited for an:

- **individual communicator** or
- **team of communicators**

from within the School of Life Sciences that have made outstanding contributions to public outreach activities within the last two years.

Nominations may be submitted by the nominee/s or by a third party.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: 5PM ON FRIDAY 23rd NOVEMBER. Please submit your application to: SLS-PublicEngagement@dundee.ac.uk.

If you have any questions please contact SLS-PublicEngagement@dundee.ac.uk

About the award:

The annual Brian Cox Award for Excellence in Public Engagement with Research recognises and rewards the School's outstanding communicators in improving understanding of the School's research to a wider audience.

- The award is open to any individual or groups of people working at the School of Life Sciences and covers the broad scope of Public Engagement activities.
- These activities must have the objective of connecting with the public to allow the creation and sharing of knowledge, widen our reach and meet the needs of those we interact with, inspire participation in science and make science relevant for everyone. Not only will this allow us to enhance the public's understanding and awareness of research performed at the School and the impact this research has on our everyday lives but allow our research to benefit from engagement with the wider community.
- Activities could include; working with schools and teachers, working with community groups, organising or participating in public events such as demonstrations, debates and lectures or publishing & broadcasting (in any media).

If you have further queries or would like advice on your nomination please email SLS-PublicEngagement@dundee.ac.uk.

Prize

The winner of Engaged Researcher will receive a certificate plus registration to the School of Life Sciences Research Symposium at Crieff Hydro in March 2019.

For the winner of Project of the Year, all members of the team listed in the application will receive a certificate. The project lead (or another nominated member of the team) will receive registration to the School of Life Sciences Research Symposium at Crieff Hydro in March 2019.

The winners will have the option to give a presentation or present a poster at the Symposium about the public engagement work that they have undertaken or give an overview of their winning project.

Eligibility

The School of Life Sciences wishes to recognise current members of staff or enrolled students within the School community who have made an outstanding impact with their public engagement activities in the last two years.

The focus of this activity must have been communicating the School's research to public audiences or organisation.

Members of staff or students not directing or participating in their own research activities are eligible. However, the main focus of the public engagement should be research performed at the School.

We welcome nominations that detail the breadth and depth of research performed at the School of Life Sciences.

Who can nominate?

Any current member of School of Life Sciences staff or enrolled students may nominate. Self-nominations are welcomed.

Information required for submission

Please complete the application form in full. Within this application form please provide, on the MAXIMUM of two sides of A4, details of the impact and contributions of the nominee's (nominees') past public engagement activities. This can include links to online material.

The selection process

All nominations will be ranked by a judging panel comprised of:

- Prof. Nicola Stanley-Wall, Academic Lead for Public Engagement;
- Dr. Nicola Weichens and Dr. Paul O'Mahone, Research Staff Representatives;
- Senga Robertson, Research Student Representative.

Deadline for Nominations

Nominations must be received by 5pm on Friday 23rd November. Please submit your application to: SLS-PublicEngagement@dundee.ac.uk.