

## 2009 ASM AWARD NOMINATIONS FORM

The ASM Awards Committee is seeking nominations for the 2009 calendar year, in the categories of Honors, Professional Service, Community Service, Corporate, Governmental Award for Excellence in Urban Forestry and the Daniel J. Kurkowski Spirit of Arboriculture Award, along with the ISA Gold Leaf Awards.

**Nominations need to be received by July 1, 2009.** The Awards will be presented at the Arboriculture Conference **August 27-28 at the Oakland University in Rochester.**

For **ASM Professional Service Award:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

Given for outstanding service and contributions to the Arboriculture and/or Urban Forestry profession and Five (5) years of professional service in arboriculture. Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

For **ASM Honors Award:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

Presented for long, faithful and honorable service to the Arboriculture and/or Urban forestry for 10 years of professional service. Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

For **ASM Community Service Award:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

Given to an outstanding volunteer or volunteer group for significant work on a "greening" project. This award intends to recognize non-professionals whose volunteer work promotes tree care locally through planting efforts, tree ordinance legislation, civic beautification efforts, etc. Reason for Nomination (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

For **ASM Corporate Award:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

For businesses that provide financial support to the arboriculture industry through sponsorships of meetings and workshops, provide volunteers and/or in kind services for arboriculture projects, facilitate education for the industry and their employees, and recent accomplishments in the arboriculture field. Reason for Nomination (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

For **Governmental Award for Excellence in Urban Forestry:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

For a local unit of government (city, village, township, or county) for significant advances in its urban forestry program in the last year. Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details. (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

For **Daniel J. Kurkowski Spirit of Arboriculture Award:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name)

For someone in the organization who has shown enthusiasm for ASM and arboriculture over the past year. Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details. (*use additional sheets if necessary*): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return nominations and supporting information by July 1, 2009** to: ASM at 271 Woodland Pass, Suite 200, East Lansing, MI 48823, or fax to: (517) 337-4993.

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## ISA GOLD LEAF AWARDS

Given annually to a community, agency or individual that was instrumental in organizing: (1) a local Arbor Day celebration; or, (2) a local Landscape Beautification Project. The International Society of Arboriculture sponsors this award.

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| For <b>Arbor Day</b> : _____<br>(Name) |
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Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details. *(use additional sheets if necessary)*:  
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| For <b>Landscape Beautification</b> : _____<br>(Name) |
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Reason for Nomination. See Criteria Used to Evaluate for full details. *(use additional sheets if necessary)*:  
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# **CRITERIA USED TO EVALUATE**

## **Governmental Award for Excellence in Urban Forestry, Honors Award, Daniel J. Kurkowski Spirit of Arboriculture and Professional Service Award**

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The **ASM Professional Service Award** is presented to an individual or organization based on consideration of two or more of the following qualifications:

1. Distinguished service to Arboriculture and/or Urban Forestry profession.
2. Distinguished green industry service to a community.
3. Extraordinary single achievement in the profession.
4. Accumulated achievements in the profession.
5. Extraordinary service to the Arboriculture Society of Michigan by program participation and/or presentation; giving of time and effort to Association affairs.
6. Exemplary special efforts or accomplishments along lines which have or will further the objectives of the Association, as in public relations, legislation, writing, teaching, research work, or securing grants.

Five (5) years of professional service in arboriculture shall be an accepted minimum for those being considered for this award. This minimum may be waived in consideration of a notable achievement or service.)

The **ASM Honors Award** is the highest professional award that the Arboriculture Society of Michigan has to offer. The honors award will only be conferred on members to whom all of the standards apply:

1. Ten (10) years of professional service to arboriculture
2. A record of long, faithful and honorable service in the field of Arboriculture and/or Urban Forestry, during which time they have held positions of considerable responsibility and decision making.
3. A record of having discharged these responsibilities, and made decisions, in such a fashion as to advance the profession within and beyond their local area.

The **Governmental Award for Excellence in Urban Forestry** is presented to a local unit of government (city, village, township, or county) for significant advances in its urban forestry program in the last year based on the following considerations:

1. Program growth/advancement:  
(eg. new/revised tree ordinance, inventory, mgt. plan, staffing, budget, etc.)
2. Program innovation/uniqueness:  
(e.g. homeowner tree planting cost-share, resistograph, wood utilization, website etc.)
3. Special projects:  
(e.g. rubber sidewalks, tree planting, workshops, etc.)
4. Program sustainability:  
(e.g. committed budget, staffing/training, pruning cycle, Tree City USA etc.)
5. Partnerships:  
(e.g. volunteers, local nonprofit, boy/girl scouts, church, rotary, etc.)

The **Daniel J. Kurkowski Spirit of Arboriculture Award** will be bestowed on someone in the organization, who has shown enthusiasm for ASM and arboriculture over the past year. This could be through volunteerism, taking up a special project, being vocal for the cause of trees, etc. This would embody the spirit of Dan and what he stood for during his life.

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