

WALTER SHANLY AWARD CONSTRUCTION DIVISION

Terms of Reference

(last revised 2000)

Introduction

- The Walter Shanly award shall be the pre-eminent award of the Construction Division of CSCE.
- The Walter Shanly Award shall be presented to a member of CSCE who, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, has made truly outstanding contributions to construction engineering research and/or practice in Canada. This may be either through sustained activities over an extended period, or, if still at a relatively early stage in his or her career, through being either the author or the principal inspiration and one of the significant authors of three or more peer-reviewed papers on a relatively narrow topic over a period of two to five years in relevant Journals of international standing, such as the Canadian Journal of Civil Engineering.
- It is expected that there will be one such award made annually, however, there need not be an award made in a year in which, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, no suitable candidate is recommended.
- The award will consist of a purposely designed sculpture and a CSCE certificate signed by the President of CSCE. The award will be presented by the President of CSCE or his or her designate at the Annual CSCE Awards Banquet.
- The candidate for the award will be chosen by the Honours and Fellowships Committee of CSCE, on the recommendation of the Walter Shanly Selection Committee, which will consist of a Chair and three members selected by the Executive Committee of the Construction Division. The Chair of the Selection Committee shall normally be a Past Chair of the Construction Division or a former recipient of the Walter Shanly Award and shall be appointed annually by the Executive Committee of the Construction Division. The term of an elected Selection Committee member is three calendar years from the date of election. The Selection Committee shall be representative of the geographical regions and the two official languages of Canada.
- The Chair of the Selection Committee is responsible for correspondence with the members of the Committee and the Honours and Fellowships Committee, and other administrative duties related to the selection of a recipient.

Candidate Selection Procedure

- Any member of CSCE may nominate a person, who is a member of CSCE, for this award. In addition, the Selection Committee will normally seek advice and recommendations from regional and other committees of CSCE.
- Nominations for this award will be invited by an appropriate announcement, in Canadian Civil Engineer magazine or by electronic notice to the members.
- Each nomination shall include a complete curriculum vitae of the nominee and a letter highlighting the nominee's contribution to construction engineering. In the case of a nomination based on three or more papers published by the nominee, electronic copies of such papers should be submitted along with the CV and supporting letter.
- The Chair of the Selection Committee shall circulate copies of the nominations, including supporting documents, to the members of the Selection Committee for ranking. The criteria for ranking nominations should be developed by the Selection Committee and should be consistent with general guidelines established by the Honours and Fellowship Committee.
- The results of the selection procedure will be treated as confidential until an award is made.