

### Call for Nominations: The 2020 Noble Crayfish Award

“Science that is locked in an ‘ivory tower’ does little for society.” – Author unknown

Greetings fellow astacologists! Have you or a fellow International Association of Astacology (IAA) member been actively involved with projects focused on educating and introducing the public to our most cherished aquatic organisms? Would you like to win \$100 and critical recognition from your peers? If so, then this announcement is for you! We, the members of the Noble Crayfish Award Committee, are proud to present the 3<sup>rd</sup> Noble Crayfish Award. This prestigious award is presented on a biennial basis during IAA symposiums to recognize outstanding astacologists involved in public outreach and extension during the previous two years. We are happy to announce a call for nominations for the period of July 2018–July 2020 and are very eager to read about the creative ways you have sparked public interest in crayfish biology and conservation.

Eligible nominees are any currently active IAA members including professors, governmental and non-governmental scientists, and, of course, students. Valid outreach activities must be crayfish-focused and must have occurred within the aforementioned time period. Examples of such outreach activities include, but are not limited to: volunteer lectures for classes or organizations, advocacy for crayfish conservation, internet blogs, online and radio interviews, and other similar and relevant activities. Nominating materials may be obtained from the IAA23 website ([www.iaa23.com](http://www.iaa23.com)). Only complete applications will be considered for the prize. The deadline for all nominating materials will be May 29, 2020 and the winner will be announced during the IAA Biennial Symposium on Freshwater Crayfish (June 29–July 3, 2020; attendance not required to be eligible for the award). We look forward to hearing from you!

Lastly, the Noble Crayfish Award Committee is made up entirely of current students. Because most or perhaps even all of the current committee members will finish their graduate degrees in the foreseeable future, we will be looking for new members to take our places following IAA 23. If you are a student, active in the IAA and interested in serving on this committee in the future, please contact us at [noblecrayfishaward@gmail.com](mailto:noblecrayfishaward@gmail.com) to express your interest.

Sincerely,

The Noble Crayfish Award Committee

Mael Glon, Zanethia Barnett, Will Budnick



## 2020 Noble Crayfish Nomination Contact Information

This document must be completed in its entirety and submitted  
no later than May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for the nomination to be acknowledged as complete.

### Nominator Contact Information

Name (Last, First): \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Organization/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Work Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominee Contact Information

Same as nominator: yes  no  If no please complete section below

Name (Last, First): \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Organization/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Work Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional contact information:**

[  ] **I am a current IAA member.** If you are not currently an IAA member and would like to become one, please complete the following membership application or sign up at <https://www.astacology.org/Membership.asp?uid=Guest>.

## 2020 Noble Crayfish Award Nomination Form

Nominations must reflect outreach and/or extension work conducted by the nominee during the period of July 2018 to July 2020. Please note that both self-nominations and nominations of other people are encouraged and will be considered evenly. Any materials (such as pictures, posters, etc.) that pertain to this application may be attached and turned in with the application. Only IAA members in good standing may be nominated for this award. This application must be turned via email to [noblecrayfishaward@gmail.com](mailto:noblecrayfishaward@gmail.com) no later than **May 29th, 2020**.

I \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
for the 2020 Noble Crayfish Award. The nomination should be in recognition of an outstanding astacologist involved in crayfish-focused public outreach and extension.

Briefly describe the nominee's background, especially as it pertains to crayfish research:

Briefly describe the action(s) that the nominee has taken to spread and advance knowledge and awareness of crayfish conservation.

Briefly describe the scope and reach of this nominee's actions. Be sure to touch on the nominee's target audience as well as the anticipated or proven effectiveness of this work.

Please include any other comments or information relevant to this nominee that you wish to share with the judges.

Thank you for applying!