

Montana Audubon Awards

Beginning in 1996, Montana Audubon has recognized the following outstanding Montanans:

2011

Conservationist of the Year – Steve Hoffman
Environmental Educator of the Year – Carla Wambach
Special Achievement Award – Catherine Wightman
Lifetime Achievement Award – Ron Farmer (Sacajawea Audubon)

2010

Conservationist of the Year – Dr. Steve Running
Environmental Educators of the Year – Dick Hutto and Sue Reel
Special Achievement Award – Bitterroot Audubon
Lifetime Achievement Award – Jim Brown (Five Valleys Audubon)

2009

Conservationist of the Year – McKenzie Graye
Environmental Educator of the Year – Lisa Flowers
Special Achievement Award – Richard Mousel (Upper Missouri Breaks Audubon)
Lifetime Achievement Award – George Engler (Upper Missouri Breaks Audubon)

2008

Conservationist of the Year – Theresa Keaveny (Montana Conservation Voters)
Environmental Educator of the Year – John Miller (Billings West High School)
Special Achievement Award – Kayhan Ostovar (Yellowstone Valley Audubon)
Lifetime Achievement Award – Jim Phelps (Yellowstone Valley Audubon)

2007

Conservationist of the Year – Five Valleys Audubon (Clark Fork River/Grass Valley IBA)
Environmental Educator of the Year – John Scheuering (Rosebud Audubon)
Special Achievement Award – Angie Kociolek (Sacajawea Audubon)
Lifetime Achievement Award – Debra Doerflinger (Pintler Audubon)

2006

Conservationist of the Year – Dan Casey (American Bird Conservancy)
Environmental Educator of the Year – Dean Smith (Yellowstone Valley Audubon)
Special Achievement Award – Dennis Jones (Dillon)

2005

Conservationist of the Year – Elsie Tuss (Upper Missouri Breaks Audubon)
Environmental Educator of the Year – Arla Eckert (Upper Missouri Breaks Audubon)
Special Achievement Award – Mary Geis (Bozeman)
Lifetime Achievement Award – Don Stoecker (Pintler Audubon)

2004

Conservationist of the Year – Louie Bouma (Blackfoot Valley)
Environmental Educator of the Year – Ellen Horowitz (Columbia Falls)
Special Achievement Award – Hilary Turner (Last Chance Audubon)
Lifetime Achievement Award – John Ormiston (Bitterroot Audubon)

2003

Conservationist of the Year – Brent Mitchell (Flathead Audubon)
Environmental Educator of the Year – Flathead Audubon Community Naturalist Program
Special Achievement Award – Susan Lenard (for work on MT Bird Distribution)
Special Achievement Award – Cedron Jones (for work on MT Bird Distribution)
Lifetime Achievement Award – Chuck Carlson (Ft. Peck)

2002

Conservationist of the Year - Larry Weeks (Five Valleys)
Environmental Educator of the Year – Jean Smith (Billings teacher)
Special Achievement Award – George Holton (Helena)
Lifetime Achievement Award - Helen Carlson (Billings)

2001

Conservationist of the Year - Janet Ellis (MA staff)
Environmental Educator of the Year - Ana Marquez (Birds Beyond Borders/Mexico)
Special Achievement Award - Harriet Marble (Chester)
Lifetime Achievement Award - Ferne Cohen (Flathead Audubon)

2000

Conservationist of the Year - Howard Strause (Great Falls)
Environmental Educator of the Year - Kate Davis (Raptors of the Rockies)
Land Stewardship Award - Flathead Audubon - for Owen Sowerwine
Lifetime Achievement Award - Rod and June Ash (Flathead Audubon)

1999

Conservationist of the Year - Rod Ash (Flathead Audubon)
Environmental Educator of the Year - Beth Underwood (Bitterroot Audubon)
Land Stewardship Award - Mary Bradshaw (Ovando)
Lifetime Achievement Award - Gordon and Lila Weber (Yellowstone Valley Audubon)

1998

Conservationist of the Year - George Engler (Great Falls)
Environmental Educator of the Year - Jean Smith (Helena)
Land Stewardship Award - Vince Ames (Red Lodge)

1997

Conservationist of the Year - Margaret Adams (Great Falls)

Environmental Educator of the Year - Pat Gudmundson (Miles City)

1996

Conservationist of the Year - Jim Phelps (Billings)

Environmental Educator of the Year - Urana Clarke (Livingston)