

DVB ACTS Training and Education Award

Description / Purpose: This award will be presented annually to a person whose primary job responsibility involves training and education within the field of laboratory animal science and who is dedicated to promoting animal welfare through training and education. The purpose of the award is to promote the sharing of skills and knowledge with colleagues through training and educational opportunities.

Award: Plaque and \$250 honorarium

Nominee Qualifications / Criteria: The candidate must:

- a. Be a DVB AALAS member in good standing.
- b. Have training and/or education as their primary job responsibility.
- c. In addition, one or more criteria should be met:
 - i. Demonstrated positive benefit to nominee's institution or peers as a result of their dedication to training and education.
 - ii. Participation (attending, ideally volunteering or presenting) in outside activities that promote the advancement of training and education as well as the humane use of animals in research.
Examples include:
 - Presenting at conferences or local meetings (TriBranch, National AALAS, etc)
 - Participation in educational opportunities locally (LASTS, DVB AALAS meetings)
 - Publication of training related articles (DVB newsletter, tech talk, industry journals)
 - Development of novel training initiatives
 - Public outreach
 - iii. Participates in training related organizations or committees (such as LAWTE, ASTD, etc) OR AALAS committees related to education (such as OLC, CRB, LASTS)

Nomination Process: The ACTS award nomination form should be filled out and returned to the nominations chair by **May 1st**. Additionally, one letter of endorsement from the nominee's manager / supervisor and two additional support letters, one ideally from someone who has been trained by the nominee. These letters should be 200 words or less.