CCA POLICY CONCERNING HONORARY MEMBERSHIP AND AWARDS OF DISTINCTION
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RE. HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

It shall be policy of the CCA that the honourary membership distinction be limited to two individuals at any given time. When one of the positions becomes vacant, the CCA Executive Committee may fill the position following a request for nominations from the membership at large. The criterion used in the selection of individuals for honorary membership will be dedicated service of distinction to the CCA.

RE. AWARDS OF DISTINCTION

It shall be policy of the CCA to recognize individuals who have made or are making significant contributions to Cartography or the society by granting them Awards of Distinction. The Awards of Distinction will consist of certificates designed specifically for the purpose. A Committee for Awards of Distinction will grant these awards. This committee will operate under the following Terms of Reference:

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR COMMITTEE FOR AWARDS OF DISTINCTION

1. A Committee for Awards of Distinction, hereinafter called the Committee, will be selected annually at the first Executive Meeting following the Annual General Meeting. The CCA President, in consultation with the other Executive Committee members, will appoint the Committee. The Committee will consist of two Executive Committee members in good standing and the immediate Past President who will normally serve as Chairperson.

2. The Committee will publish a general call for nominations from the general membership (full members only) in Cartouche (the issue immediately following the Annual General Meeting) and on the CCA listserv (late November). The deadline for receipt of nominations will be January 31 of the year in which the award is to be made.

3. Nominations will be sought in three categories:

   I. Individuals who have or are making exceptional professional contributions to the practise of Cartography;
   II. Individuals who have or are making exceptional scholarly contributions to Cartography; and
   III. Individuals who have or are making exceptional contributions to the CCA.

4. The Committee will confer to select the award recipient amongst the nominations received and determine the selection by February 28th. Up to a maximum of two individuals in each of the three categories identified in (3.) above may be granted awards per year. The awards may be granted posthumously. The Committee shall recommend their selection to the Executive for approval.

5. The Committee chairperson will inform the award recipients shortly thereafter and will invite them or representatives to receive the award at the following Annual General Meeting (AGM) or the associated banquet. In any event, the names of the award winners will be announced at the AGM. The CCA, however, will not reimburse the award winners or their representatives for their expenses in travelling to the AGM to receive the awards unless they qualify for reimbursement under the regulations of the CCA Travel Policy.

6. The names of the award recipients and the Award citations will be published in the first issue of Cartouche published after the AGM.