



2012 ALAN T. WATERMAN AWARD CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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The Alan T. Waterman Award is the highest honor awarded by the National Science Foundation. Since 1975, when Congress established the award to honor the agency's first director, the annual award has been bestowed upon individuals who have demonstrated exceptional individual achievement in scientific or engineering research of sufficient quality to place them at the forefront of their peers.

The annual award recognizes an outstanding young researcher in any field of science or engineering supported by the National Science Foundation. In addition to a medal, the awardee receives a grant of \$500,000 over a three year period for scientific research or advanced study in the mathematical, physical, biological, engineering, social or other sciences at the institution of the recipient's choice.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

- Candidates must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents, 35 years of age or younger, or not more than seven years beyond receipt of their Ph.D. degree by December 31 of the year in which they are nominated.
- Candidates should have demonstrated exceptional individual achievements in scientific or engineering research of sufficient quality to place them at the forefront of their peers. Criteria include originality, innovation, and significant impact on their field.

NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED

From August 1, 2011
through October 31, 2011

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To nominate a candidate, please go to:
www.fastlane.nsf.gov/honawards/

Information on the award and past recipients is also available at:
www.nsf.gov/od/waterman/waterman.jsp

