Awards Nomination Form
SOCIETY FOR CULTURAL ASTRONOMY IN THE AMERICAN SOUTHWEST

Lifetime Achievement Award:
This award recognizes extensive, long-term, and comprehensive scholarly contributions to the interdisciplinary study of archaeoastronomy and cultural astronomy of the American Southwest. It may be awarded to individuals fulfilling all of the following criteria:
1. Demonstrated excellence in research that has led to improving the methodology and/or interpretation of cultural astronomy in the American Southwest.
2. Long term commitment to research in this area extending over one or more decades.
3. Active research as evidenced by an extensive publication record in refereed journals and the editing or authoring of books in this area.
4. Presentations and publications with regional, national and international conferences in cultural astronomy and archaeoastronomy.
5. Involvement in educational and public outreach activities such as teaching college level courses, presentations at schools, organizing field schools and conferences, or providing public lectures.

Distinguished Service Award:
This award recognizes exceptional contributions to Cultural Astronomy and Archaeoastronomy in the American Southwest. It may be awarded for activity that fulfills one or more of the following criteria:
1. The contribution may be the investigation of the astronomy of one or more Southwestern archaeological sites, or ethnographic cultural astronomy study of a particular historic pueblo or Southwest Native American culture, including an analysis of cultural context.
2. Innovation in methodology or interpretation of archaeoastronomy and cultural astronomy.
3. Popularization of archaeoastronomy and cultural astronomy of the Southwest through public lectures, tours, books, teaching courses in archaeoastronomy, field schools, or preparation of exhibits.
4. Provided extensive assistance and guidance in the field to researchers.

Distinguished Student Award:
This award recognizes original contributions to cultural astronomy and archaeoastronomy in the American Southwest by undergraduate and graduate students in the Humanities or Natural Sciences. A goal should be to encourage multidisciplinary research that explores the meaning and context of astronomy in ancient cultures. It may be awarded for fulfillment of one or more of the following criteria:
1. Presentation of a paper or poster at an SCAAS conference that (1) investigates the astronomy of one or more Southwestern archaeological sites, or the ethnographic cultural astronomy study of a particular historic pueblo or Southwest Native American culture, or (2) provides innovation in methodology or interpretation of archaeoastronomy and cultural astronomy.
2. Publication of a paper in a peer-reviewed journal or proceedings volume investigating the astronomy of one or more Southwestern archaeological sites, or documenting the ethnographic cultural astronomy study of a particular historic pueblo or Southwest Native American culture.
3. Completion of an outstanding thesis or dissertation (Masters or PhD) within the past two years in the area of cultural astronomy, archaeoastronomy, or archaeology/anthropology with an emphasis on astronomy.