**Nominations Now Being Accepted for the 2017 AHG Community Service Award**

The American Herbalists Guild Community Service Award was established to recognize individuals, projects or groups that are making outstanding contributions and lasting impact in the field of community herbalism through their knowledge, skills, and or services on behalf of others on a local or national level.

The recipient of the award is recognized with a plaque award at the Annual General Meeting of The American Herbalists Guild, to be held October 7th, 2017 at the 28th Annual Symposium in Silverton, OR.  In addition, the recipient will receive funding in the form of a cash award of $1000.00 to further their community efforts.  Funding is made possible by donations and contributions received from the AHG Annual Silent Auction Benefit. All nominees will be recognized at the Annual Meeting and in the AHG Members Newsletter.

**Help the AHG honor those in our community that are making a difference in the lives of others!**

**Eligibility**

Any individual, group or project actively working with herbal medicine in a community setting is eligible to complete an application for consideration. The application process is open to all, though preference is given to American Herbalists Guild members.

We are particularly interested in funding community herbalism projects that:

* offer low-cost, sliding-scale and free services
* have identified and serve a special needs group or an underserved segment of a community
* have a proven track record of service
* serve diverse communities and do not discriminate against anyone on the basis of religious or political beliefs, gender, age, sexual preference, economic status, or ethnic background.

**How to Apply for the AHG Community Service Award**

Any member of the American Herbalists Guild may make nominations for themselves or others in their community. Each AHG Chapter is especially encouraged to nominate one person or group for this award. Nominations may also be made at the request of the AHG council.

**All nomination forms must be received by April 15, 2017**

**I. NOMINATION TYPE**

**□** Individual **□** Group □Project

**II. CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name of Nominee(s):

Address: City: State: ZIP:

Telephone Number: E-mail Address:

Name of Nominator (if different from above):

Address: City: State: ZIP:

Telephone Number: E-mail Address:

**III. PERSONAL/PROJECT BACKGROUND (ideally completed with the nominee)**

In a Word or PDF document (no longer than two single spaced pages) provide:

* Brief resume of nominee’s career or description of the group/project and achievements.
* Brief description of the mission statement that guides the work of this individual or group.
* Detailed description of how the nominee’s community service work reflects on the practice of community herbalism.
* Explain how this nominee, or group/project, provides outreach to the community they serve.
* Describe how this award would benefit this nominee’s work

Completed nomination forms may be mailed to office@americanherbalistsguild.com

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Please note: Award recipients will be asked for permission to use photos or logo information for presentations given at the Annual Symposium.