

Past AIBS Media Award Winners

1995
Rosie Mestel
Discover

1997
Carl Zimmer
Discover

1998
John Carey, Naomi Freundlich, Julia Flynn
(with Neil Gross and Joan O'C. Hamilton)
Business Week

1999
Lynne Jensen, John McQuaid,
and Mark Schleifstein
The Times-Picayune

Bari Scott and Jude Thilman
SoundVision Productions

2000
Douglas Birch
Baltimore Sun

2001
Mark Robichaux
Wall Street Journal

Jim Metzner
"Pulse of the Planet"

2002
Gary Polakovic
Los Angeles Times

2003
Richard Stone
Science

Robin White
Living on Earth

2004
Sarah Staples
Ottawa Citizen

Daniel Grossman
Radio Netherlands

2005
Tom Meersman
Minneapolis Star Tribune

Diane Toomey
Living on Earth

2006
Margaret Wertheim
LA Weekly

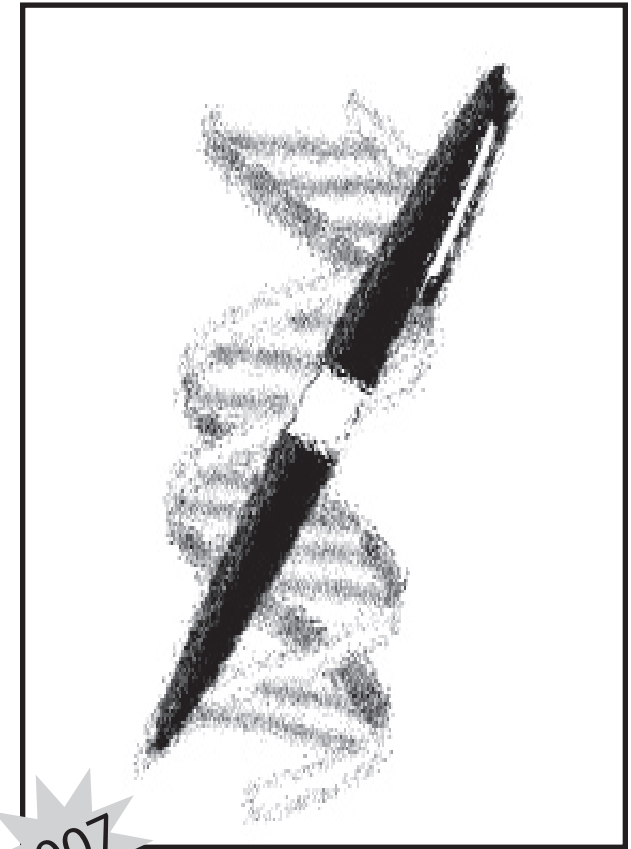
Daniel Grossman
Radio Netherlands

About the American Institute of Biological Sciences

The American Institute of Biological Sciences is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) scientific association dedicated to advancing biological research and education for the welfare of society. Founded in 1947 as a part of the National Academy of Sciences, AIBS became an independent member-governed organization in the 1950s. Today, with offices in Washington, DC, and a staff of approximately 50, AIBS is sustained by a robust membership of some 5,000 biologists and 200 professional societies and scientific organizations; the combined individual membership of the latter exceeds 250,000. AIBS advances its mission through coalition activities in research, education, and public policy; publishing the peer-reviewed journal, *BioScience*, and the education website, ActionBioscience.org; providing scientific peer review and advisory services to government agencies and other clients; convening meetings; and managing scientific programs. Website: www.aibs.org.



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2007

Media Awards

Recognizing outstanding print
and broadcast reporting on
biological research

About the Awards

The American Institute of Biological Sciences (AIBS) Media Awards, established in 1995, recognize outstanding reporting on biological research in both print and broadcast journalism. Through the Media Awards, AIBS encourages the communication of biology to the general public and aims to foster a better understanding of how biology research is relevant to society as a whole.

Rules of Eligibility

- The awards are limited to nontechnical journalism.
- Both freelancers and staff writers are eligible.
- Submissions by scientists writing in their area of research will not be considered.
- Articles appearing in BioScience, AIBS's journal, are not eligible.
- Books and articles in technical journals will not be considered.
- Biological research is broadly defined to include laboratory and field work, as well as theoretical advances. For the purposes of these awards, it does not include testing of medical or veterinary treatments.

Submissions

Applicants may submit a single contribution or a series focusing on a single topic. Stories must have been published or broadcast between 16 December 2005 and 15 December 2006. A series will be accepted if more than half of it appeared between those dates. Entries may be submitted by the journalist or on his or her behalf. Only one entry per journalist will be considered.

An application form accompanied by five copies of the submission (print copies, CDs, videotapes, or excerpts of radio or television series, not to exceed two hours) must be received by 3 January 2007. Broadcast entries must also be accompanied by five copies of the script. Submissions will not be returned.

Send application and entries by 3 January to:
AIBS Media Awards
1444 I (Eye) St., NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20005

Judging

Submissions will be judged by a panel of science journalists and scientists chosen by AIBS. Entries will be judged on the basis of clarity, reporting and writing skills, originality, and appeal to the general public. The winner will be notified by 1 May 2007.

Presentation

The awards will be presented in Washington, DC, at the AIBS annual meeting in May 2007. Winners receive an all-expenses-paid trip to Washington to attend the awards ceremony and a cash award of \$1,000.

2007 Media Awards Entry Form

Name:

Affiliation:

Address:

Telephone:

Fax:

E-mail:

Title of Entry:

Where submission was published or broadcast:

Date(s) of publication or broadcast:
