

John Maddox Prize 2019

APPLICATION DEADLINE

12pm (BST) on Friday 19th July 2019

BACKGROUND

The John Maddox Prize recognises the work of individuals who promote science and evidence, advancing the public discussion around difficult topics.

Sir John Maddox, whose name this prize commemorates, was a passionate and tireless champion and defender of science, engaging with difficult debates and inspiring others to do the same. As a writer and editor, he changed attitudes and perceptions, and strove for better understanding and appreciation of science throughout his long working life.

The winner of the John Maddox Prize receives £3000, and an announcement of the winner is published in Nature. The award is presented at a reception hosted at Wellcome Collection in November.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

This is a global prize: people from any country and in any field can be nominated.

The John Maddox Prize for Standing up for Science is awarded to an individual for any kind of public activity in any of the areas listed below:

- Addressing misleading information about scientific issue (including social science and medicine).
- Bringing sound evidence to bear in a public or policy debate.
- Helping people to make sense of a complex scientific issue.

An additional prize is awarded to an individual who in the opinion of the judges is at an early stage of their career.

HOW TO APPLY

Candidates must be nominated. Click [here](#) for the nomination form.

A misprint in an advertisement in the 13th June issue of Nature listed the deadline for nominations as 13th August. Please note the correct deadline is 19th July 2019.

As a nominator you should normally be an individual who is familiar with the work of the candidate but self-nomination will be considered in exceptional circumstances.

Nominations are to take the form of a letter of recommendation and include biographical information on the candidate and a description of the candidate's work in standing up for science. Permission must be sought from the nominee. If possible, a supporting referee should be included in the nomination form and may be contacted.

If you think the individual is at an early stage in their career then please highlight this on the nomination form as they will be eligible for the additional prize.

Nominations and supporting references must be submitted in English. The individual nominated, the referee, and the nominator may be contacted for more information including references.

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