



Town of Bethany Conservationist of the Year 2023 Nomination Form

The Bethany Conservation Commission presents this award to recognize excellence in environmental protection or significant contributions (including finances, resources, time or effort) to the advancement of conservation.

Eligible Nominees

- Individuals
- Educational Institutions
- Nonprofit organizations
- Local, state and federal governmental agencies
- Corporations and other business entities (not nonprofit organizations)

The nominees need not be Bethany residents/organizations but the conservation endeavor needs to occur within the borders of the Town of Bethany.

Eligible Conservation Activities

- **Environmental Action:** A significant contribution toward encouraging a sustainable environment, reducing pollution, wildlife protection or similar activities.
- **Environmental Education/Advocacy:** A significant contribution toward environmental education through programs, activities or other forums, which may include increasing public awareness of environmental issues, urban enhancement, resource preservation, or habitat restoration.
- **Resource Preservation:** A significant contribution toward the protection and preservation of natural, cultural, or historical resources.
- **Improving Suburban Areas:** A significant contribution to the improvement of the urban environment (for example, planting trees, upgrading or establishing urban parks, or improving access to open space).
- **Habitat Restoration:** A significant contribution to wildlife habitat restoration and enhancement (for example, watershed or wetland restoration, re-introduction of native species, planting native trees and/or shrubs for forage or cover, or re-forestation projects).
- **Other:** A significant contribution to restoration, protection, conservation, or natural resources not previously described.

The Conservation Commission reserves the right to withhold naming a Conservationist of the Year if the commission judges that no applicant meets the aforementioned standards.

To submit a nomination, please complete this Town of Bethany Conservationist of the Year Nomination Form and provide the additional submittals described below. Self-nominations are accepted. Please mail the completed submission packet to:

Town of Bethany
Conservation Commission
40 Peck Road
Bethany, CT 06524-3338
Attn: COY Nomination

Deadline: Please submit the completed nomination packet no later than March 7, 2023

Person submitting nomination		
Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Telephone	Email	

Nominee Information		
Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Telephone	Email	Website (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Institution <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit organization <input type="checkbox"/> Local, state or federal government <input type="checkbox"/> Business (cannot be nonprofit organization)		
Conservation Activity Category		
Conservation activity was conducted in the area(s) of: <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Action <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Education/Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Resource Preservation <input type="checkbox"/> Improving Suburban Areas <input type="checkbox"/> Habitat Restoration <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		
Submittals		
Please provide separate typewritten, single-spaced responses to the questions below. Submissions should be no longer than four (4) pages attached to this form.		
<u>Conservation Activity Description:</u> 1. Provide a description of the nominee's conservation/environmental activities. For all nominees, excluding individuals, also provide a description of the organization including its goals and/or objectives. 2. Describe the nominee's accomplishments and the most significant positive impact of the conservation/environmental protection activities. 3. List any individuals or groups that partnered with the nominee or provided support and describe their contributions.		
<u>Duration of Conservation Activity:</u> How long has the nominee been involved in advocacy, environmental education, restoration, the environment, or other conservation efforts?		
<u>Prior Awards:</u> Has the nominee received any previous awards or recognition for the conservation or environmental protection activities described in this nomination form? If so, please describe.		