



New Zealand Geographical Society Distinguished New Zealand Geographer Medal

The Distinguished New Zealand Geographer (DNZG) Award recognises outstanding and sustained contributions and service to geography by geographers who have close association with the Aotearoa / New Zealand geographical community.

These contributions and service to geography may take various forms including such activities as:

- scholarship of importance to geography in schools or universities or other tertiary organisations;
- scholarship of high international standing or significance;
- scholarship of high national standing or significance;
- community-oriented service that has promoted the use of geographical knowledge and skills;
- policy contributions in local, national or international spheres that add to the scientific or practical application of geographical skills and expertise;
- sustained contributions to the New Zealand Geographical Society;
- sustained contributions to the International Geographical Union and its activities;
- business contributions that promote the work of geography and geographers (e.g. web or textbook resources for schools in New Zealand or elsewhere, consultancy work or relating to services or products relevant to geography);
- professional activities that show the contribution of geography and geographers (e.g. primary, intermediate or high school teaching, work as planners in territorial local authorities);
- any other activity that demonstrates, adds to or creates value from engagement in geographic endeavours in or about Aotearoa / New Zealand.

Both nominee and nominator must be members of the NZGS.

Nominations should include:

- A concise, written statement of support, signed by the nominator, that highlights the nominee's outstanding and sustained contributions and service.
- A CV that summarises the nominee's contributions and service.

A call for nominations will usually be sent out by the National Secretary of the Society by early March, and nominations will be accepted until mid April. They should be e-mailed to the National Secretary.

The award consists of a medal and a citation, and will be presented at the Society's Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Announcement of Distinguished New Zealand Geographer awards will be made at the Society's AGM, in the *New Zealand Geographer*, on the NZGS website <http://www.nzgs.co.nz/>, in the New Zealand Royal Society *Alert*, and through a Press Release.

The recipient may use the designation DNZG.

A list of recipients can be found on the NZGS website.