

Central Coast State Parks Association presents the
Metamorphosis Award
for

Conservation Leadership

To honor those who have made a significant impact in supporting the conservation, research and preservation efforts of the western monarch butterfly.

OUR MISSION

The Central Coast State Parks Association (CCSPA), in partnership with the California State Parks in San Luis Obispo County, supports interpretation, education and volunteer efforts while promoting public awareness and stewardship of our natural resources and cultural heritage. Our organization is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit. We are one of 85 similar cooperating associations across the state who work in partnership with the State Parks.

OUR VISION

We envision the development of a robust variety of programs focused on inclusive environmental education and interpretation in collaboration with California State Parks in San Luis Obispo County. By supporting these programs, we aim to foster a community of environmental stewards who understand the importance of our natural resources, how our society and ecosystems are interconnected and the role humans play in their preservation. By expanding audiences and increasing funding, our efforts will result in a stronger engagement within our ethnically diverse community. Together, we will recognize the importance of our connections to our State Parks and open spaces along the Central Coast, “where the land meets the ocean.”

We award the Conservation Leadership Award to emerging leaders in the field for exceptional contributions to the scientific research, habitat restoration and education outreach in support of the western monarch.

Guidelines

- Write a letter to the CCSPA Awards Committee outlining why the nominee deserves this award.
- Collect letters from at least three additional co-sponsors.

Criteria

- Exceptional contributions with significant impact to the functioning or advancement of western monarch research, conservation, education and/or habitat restoration
- Outstanding and sustained dedication to the field in a manner consistent with the highest standards of the profession

Additional Guidelines

- Nominations should include visual documentation (photos, slides, etc.).
- Nominations should show how the candidate has broadened their community's understanding of the goals for the preservation of the western monarch.
- Nominations may come from candidates themselves, but we encourage additional letters of support.

- Nominators should know that CCSPA may sometimes award more than one person in the same year when merited.