

# ABPS



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## ANNUAL AWARDS CONGRESS MEDAL AND AWARDS OF MERIT

Notes for the Guidance of Nominator Please read carefully before completing the form  
Nominations should be made on the approved form by an Officer of a Society affiliated to the ABPS

**The Congress Medal** is awarded for outstanding voluntary service to British philately at *National* level to a member of a Society affiliated to the ABPS. There is only one recipient of this medal each year.

**Awards of Merit** which consist of a framed certificate, are given for outstanding voluntary service to British philately at *regional, specialist and local society* level. A nominee must be a member of a Society affiliated to the ABPS.

“Outstanding voluntary service” in each category includes work to advance philately at the level appropriate to the particular award, in connection with the Philatelic Congress and/or the ABPS, conventions or exhibitions, and with the activities of an Association/Federation or an affiliated specialist society or a local society, carried out on a voluntary basis over a considerable period of time. A nominator should expand on the details provided by their nominee and include any particular features or achievements reached whilst holding any position or responsibility.

It should be appreciated that these awards are competitive, and any CV provided by the nominee, such as details of offices held, with dates, should not simply be copied by the nominator(s) but should be expanded and developed if a nomination is to be successful.

*Because these awards are for service, the Awards Committee will not give consideration to philatelic research and studies, the formation of collections, journalistic work, giving displays or the reading of papers, as it will be assumed that all nominees will have been involved with one or more of these activities.*

All nominees who are not successful on the first occasion will remain so nominated for four years, during which time they will be considered at the annual meetings of the Awards Committee. Unsuccessful nominations can be updated each year by the nominator(s) if they so wish.

Each year those who are successful in receiving an award will have their names entered in the ABPS Book of Merit, and will receive a copy of the year page on which their name is entered. This Book of Merit will usually be displayed at the annual Philatelic Congress

Completed nomination forms, duly signed and seconded by Officers of the nominating Society and approved by the candidate, should be sent to the Chairman of the Awards Committee

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