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News Release

The International Association of Emergency Managers Is Accepting Entries in the 2019 IAEM Awards Competition

Apr. 4, 2019 (Falls Church, Va.) – The International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) is accepting entries in the 2019 IAEM Awards Competition. The purpose of the competition is to recognize and honor persons who have made special or significant contributions to the field of emergency management and have represented the profession well by their outstanding performance.

The [2019 IAEM Awards Competition](#) is accepting entries in these award categories:

- **The IAEM-Global Awards Competition** is open to entrants worldwide, and it is a multi-level competition in which entrants compete with others in their area, then area winners compete at the global level. Categories include: Business & Industry Preparedness Award, Partners in Preparedness Award (public/private partnerships), Public Awareness Award, and Technology & Innovation Awareness Award. Also included are the Student of the Year and the Student Ally of the Year Awards. Awards will be presented to both area and global winners. Entry deadline is **May 31, 2019, 5:00 p.m. EDT**. Judging will take place during June 2019, notification of winners will occur during July 2019, and awards will be presented during the IAEM 67th Annual Conference & EMEX, Nov. 15-20, 2019, Savannah, Georgia, USA.
- In addition to the Global award categories, emergency managers in Canada may enter in categories exclusive to them. **The IAEM-Canada Awards Competition** offers four additional Canada-only award categories, including: IAEM-Canada Career Excellence Award, IAEM-Canada Emergency Management Volunteer Award, IAEM-Canada Prepared Community Award, and IAEM-Canada Merit Award. Entry deadline is **May 1, 2019**. Canada awards judging will take place during May 2019, and awards will be presented during the 2019 IAEM-Canada Conference, June 4-7, 2019, Calgary, Alberta, Canada.
- In addition to the Global award categories, emergency managers in the United States may enter in categories exclusive to them. **The IAEM-USA Awards Competition** offers additional USA-only awards in the following categories: IAEM-USA Clayton R. Christopher Memorial Award, IAEM-USA Emergency Manager of the Year Award, IAEM-USA Career Excellence Award, IAEM-USA Uniformed Services Emergency Management Awards (3 categories), IAEM-USA Emergency Management Volunteer Awards (2 categories), IAEM-USA Student Chapter of the Year Award, and IAEM-USA Student Chapter Advisor of the Year Award. Entry deadline is **May 31, 2019, 5:00 p.m. EDT**. Judging will take place during June 2019, notification of winners will occur during July 2019, and awards will be presented during the IAEM 67th Annual Conference & EMEX, Nov. 15-20, 2019, Savannah, Georgia, USA.

For the first time, IAEM will offer a reduced registration rate for those 2019 IAEM Award winners who attend the full IAEM 67th Annual Conference & EMEX, in Savannah, Georgia, USA. The IAEM-USA Awards & Recognition Committee wants to feature the 2019 IAEM Award winners at scheduled Awards breakout sessions, and hopes to assist in making this possible by encouraging all IAEM Award winners to attend the full event. All conference

attendees may benefit from learning about the winning projects, agencies, and people – why they are so successful, how their work can be replicated in your community, and much more.

The complete award guidelines and official entry forms are posted on the IAEM website at www.iaem.org/Awards. There is no entry fee for IAEM members, while non-members must pay a small entry fee. Email any questions about IAEM-Global and IAEM-USA award guidelines to Karen Thompson, IAEM Awards staff liaison, Thompson@iaem.com, and email questions about IAEM-Canada award guidelines to IAEMCanadaMembership@Outlook.com.

IAEM is a nonprofit professional organization representing more than 5,000 emergency management and homeland security professionals for local communities, state and federal disaster officials, private sector, non-governmental organizations, and others involved in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from all types of disasters, including acts of terrorism. IAEM provides access to the largest network of emergency management experts who can provide advice and assistance; the Certified Emergency Manager/Associate Emergency Manager program; annual scholarships; a comprehensive monthly newsletter; and more.

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