

APGO Announces 2016 Recipients of its Inaugural Award of Merit

David S. Hunt, P. Geo., FGC, Council Past President and Chair, Award of Merit Panel

I am very pleased to announce the recipients of our inaugural APGO Award of Merit.

The Award of Merit recognizes geoscientists who have been members of APGO for at least ten years and who have: made a significant contribution to the geoscience knowledge base; made a significant contribution to the fields of mineral exploration and development, environmental geoscience or geophysics; contributed significantly to public service and protection of the public; and whose actions and accomplishments reflect positively on the geoscience profession.

Congratulations to our well-deserved 2016 recipients, Terry R. Carter, Nicholas Eyles and R. Mohan Srivastava. Please take the time to read more about each of them on the subsequent pages.

I'd like to thank Kristin Hanson and Tony Lotimer, the other two-thirds of the Awards Panel, for their creativity, advice and assistance. And I'd also like to thank all those geoscientists who took the time to write often very elegant nomination letters in support of the many nominees among whom we had to choose.

Not only has each one of them contributed significantly to the field of geoscience, each has also succeeded in bringing aspects of geoscience to the public at large – no easy feat. Each of them is a fine example of what a geoscientist can be.

The Award of Merit recipient not only has had a long career, but also a broad one.

Nominees were first identified by their peers in the geoscience profession and then were evaluated by a three-person panel. In this, the first year of the Award, the panel identified three geoscientists who received perfect scores. Not only has each one of them contributed significantly to the field of geoscience, each has also succeeded in bringing aspects of geoscience to the public at large – no easy feat. Each of them is a fine example of what a geoscientist can be.

Congratulations to our well-deserved 2016 recipients:

**Terry R. Carter, P.Geo.
Nicholas Eyles, P.Geo.
R. Mohan Srivastava, P.Geo.**

The APGO Awards of Merit will be presented to this year's recipients at the Annual General Meeting to be held in Toronto on June 9, 2016. **APGO**



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2016 Recipient



Terry Robert Carter, P.Geo.

Terry retired as Chief Geologist, Petroleum Operations, of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources at the end of 2015 after 38 years working for the Ontario government, and is now a Consulting Geologist in London, Ontario. Terry has worked in nearly every part of Ontario and has a broad range of experience in studies of mineral deposits in the Grenville Province, and aggregates, oil and gas resources, bedded salt and evaporites, shale gas, carbon capture and storage, karst, geological data management, lithostratigraphy, and hydrostratigraphy in southern Ontario. Terry specializes in the study of the Paleozoic bedrock geology of southern Ontario and its resources, and the mapping and hydrogeochemical and isotopic characterization of its regional bedrock aquifers. He is a passionate supporter of the Ontario Oil, Gas and Salt Resources Library in London, and its role in collecting, managing, and providing public access to data on the subsurface Paleozoic geology of southern Ontario, and the utilization of GIS technology in accessing and interpreting this data.

Terry is co-author of the book *Subsurface Paleozoic Stratigraphy of Southern Ontario*, published by the Ontario Geological Survey in 2010. He is an alumni of the University of Western Ontario, graduating with an honours BSc in geology in 1976, and completed an MSc in mineral deposits geology at the University of Toronto in 1981. Terry has been a Professional Geoscientist in Ontario since 2002.



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Dr. Nicholas Eyles, P.Geo.

Nick Eyles has been Professor of Geology at the Scarborough campus of the University of Toronto since 1983 and has published research on world geology from the Arctic to the Antarctic. He has written 5 best-selling books including Ontario Rocks and Canada Rocks (with Andrew Miall) and was host of the very popular Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's 5 part Geologic Journey series which aired on the Nature of Things in 2010. Nick has been honored with the Geosciences in the Media Award by the American Association of Petroleum Geologists, the McNeil Medal by the Royal Society of Canada and the E.R. Ward Neale Medal by the Geological Association of Canada.



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R. Mohan Srivastava, P.Geo.

R. Mohan ("Mo") Srivastava was born in Newcastle, England, and moved to Canada as a child. After attending high school in Mennonite country near Elmira, Ontario, he went to MIT, where he first learned that it might be possible to make a living combining his love of the outdoors and his enjoyment of mathematics. Following his Bachelor's degree in Earth Sciences from MIT, he went on to earn a Master's degree in Geostatistics from Stanford University. During his time at Stanford, Mo wrote the book "An Introduction to Applied Geostatistics", which remains the most widely used textbook on the subject.

He has spent almost all of his professional career as a consultant, applying geostatistics and numerical methods to a wide range of earth science problems, from resource estimation in the mining and petroleum industries, to fracture modeling for nuclear waste repositories and carbon sequestration, to studies of animal populations, climate change and groundwater modeling.

When Mo decided not to do a PhD, his advisor at Stanford accused him of being an "intellectual butterfly", never able to settle for long on any one idea. In recent years, his butterfly trails have led him to crack instant scratch lottery games (http://www.wired.com/2011/01/ff_lottery/), and into writing (<http://www.cbc.ca/news/arts/mohan-srivastava-wins-canada-writes-competition-1.1409030>). He has recently managed to settle on one good idea, and is now the Vice President of TriStar Gold, where he works to advance their Castelo de Sonhos gold project in Brazil.

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