ABRAHAM GOTTLOB WERNER MEDAL IN GOLD TO EKKEHART TILLMANNS

With the Abraham Gottlob Werner Medal in Gold, the German Mineralogical Society (DMG) honors outstanding efforts in advancing the mineralogical sciences. This year, the DMG honors Prof. Dr. Ekkehart Tillmanns (University of Vienna, Austria) in appreciation of his outstanding merits. Prof. Tillmanns’ career has been characterized by exchanging scientific ideas in the fields of mineralogy and crystallography. He served as a co-editor for the journals Mineralogy & Petrology and Zeitschrift für Kristallographie, as well as associate and chief editor of the European Journal of Mineralogy. For many years, he was member of the advisory board of Physics and Chemistry of Minerals. Being a member of several national and international mineralogical societies, he actively helped shape their development. Within the DMG, he was member of the advisory board and was a representative of the crystallography working group; in the Austrian Mineralogical Society he served as a board member and became an honorary member. For the board of the International Mineralogical Association (IMA), he was first a councilor before serving as president of this worldwide society, including the responsibility of organizing the IMA meeting in Budapest (2010). Besides his services to the scientific community, he was an outstanding scientist, publishing more than 185 scientific papers. In his contributions, he focused on the crystal chemistry of minerals and inorganic compounds and their physico-chemical characterization. The work of Ekkehart Tillmanns has been honored several times over his career. Highlights are the 1998 Distinguished Grantee Award of the International Centre for Diffraction Data, the 2002 Erwin Schrödinger Award of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, his election as a foreign member of the Russian Academy of Natural Sciences (Moscow) in 1999, as well as his election as a member of the Deutsche Akademie der Naturforscher Leopoldina – National Academy of Sciences (Halle/Saale) in 2000. With the Abraham Gottlob Werner Medal in Gold, the German Mineralogical Society honors Ekkehart Tillmanns as an internationally renowned mineralogist and crystallographer.

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CALL FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS

Please consider nominating a colleague for one of the Meteoritical Society’s awards.

Nominations should be sent to Secretary Munir Humayun (metsocsec@gmail.com) by January 15 (January 31 for the Service Award and the Paul Pellas–Graham Ryder Award). For more information and details on how to submit a nomination for any of these awards, please see the latest Meteoritical Society Newsletter at the society’s website or e-mail the secretary.

The society gives a number awards each year. The Leonard Medal honors outstanding contributions to the science of meteoritics and closely allied fields. The Barringer Medal and Award recognizes outstanding work in the field of impact cratering and/or work that has led to a better understanding of impact phenomena. The Nier Prize recognizes outstanding research in meteoritics and closely allied fields by a young scientist. The Service Award honors members who have advanced the goals of the Meteoritical Society to promote research and education in meteoritics and planetary science in ways other than by conducting scientific research. The Paul Pellas–Graham Ryder Award is given for the best student paper in planetary science and is awarded jointly by the Meteoritical Society and the Planetary Geology Division of the Geological Society of America. The newest society award, the Elmar Jessberger Award, recognizes a mid-career female scientist in the field of isotope cosmochemistry.

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