

# *the Houston Museum of natural science*

## Wilhelmina C. Robertson Excellence in Science or Mathematics Teaching Award

Each year, awards are presented to one Kindergarten through fifth grade teacher, and one sixth through twelfth grade teacher in the Houston area who significantly impact students through exemplary science or mathematics teaching. The individuals selected will each receive a check for \$2,000 at an awards luncheon in the fall of 2016.

### Instructions/Rules:

1. Any science or mathematics teacher employed by either a public or private school in the Houston area is eligible for this award. Self-nominations are acceptable.
2. Descriptions should be typed and double-spaced.
3. All materials must be submitted together in a self-contained binder or folder and **postmarked no later than April 22, 2016.**
4. Finalists will be selected by a Museum review committee. Awards will be presented at a luncheon in the fall of 2016.

### Nominations should include:

- This nomination form.
- 2 letters of recommendation from parents, fellow teachers, school principals, or others. Comments unique to the nominee are valued.
- The following information from nominee:
  1. Curriculum Vitae or Resume. Selection criteria include: clarity, format, higher level degree, continuing education, extracurricular educational projects, and professional memberships.
  2. A 500-word or less description of nominee's teaching philosophy. Selection criteria include: contemporary student-centered approach, measurable outcomes, differentiation, clarity, and format.
  3. A 1,000-word or less description of nominee's classroom activities/methods, OR a detailed description of a specific activity. Selection criteria include: relevance to science or mathematics, demonstrates principles of science or mathematics, student assessment, and involves student problem solving, decision making, critical thinking, and application.

### Nominee:

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Nominator:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Submit nomination form and supporting materials to:

Houston Museum of Natural Science  
Education Department  
5555 Hermann Park Drive  
Houston, TX 77030-1799