

Call for Nominations

Pat Johnson Award

DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 5, 2025

This award was created to celebrate the partnership and collaboration we have with local, provincial and federal governments. As a regulated industry, we work side by side with our public counterparts in the pursuit of producing safe, nutritious and sustainable food every day.



Pat Johnson, was widely recognized as a great supporter of the industry that went above and beyond what is expected of her in helping meat plants realize their full potential. Pat was awarded many honours for innovation in science including the Amethyst Award in 2006 the highest award in the Ontario Public Sector, the same year she was made a Lifetime Member of OIMP. To honour her career and appreciation of what she did for the industry we have named this public service award after her.

Going forward it will be awarded to public sector professionals that excel in service, commitment and accomplishment relating to supporting the meat and poultry sector. Nominations can come from members or staff of MPO and recipients will be selected by the Board of Directors.

Nominations must state the reasons why this individual is deserving of this recognition. The following examples may be used to support the nomination and provide a basic platform for evaluation:

- Description of individual
- Benefit individual has brought to the meat and poultry businesses
- Projects that improved inspection or program delivery within the meat and poultry sector

Selection

The Award Selection Committee will review all nominations based on the information submitted.

Previous Recipients

2024: Nick VanLankveld

2022: Kelly McAslan and Natasha Bartlett

**NOMINATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO FRANCO NACCARATO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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