



Texas Mosquito Control Association Young Professionals Second Annual Student Competition Call for Papers/Guidelines

October 8-10, 2019—Hilton Garden Inn at Waco, TX

Eligibility:

In order to be considered eligible to enter the competition, each participant must be:

- 1) A TMCA Member. The membership form is available at <http://www.texasmosquito.org/Application.pdf>
- 2) a TMCA YP Member. If you are not a member please join via our Facebook Group: Texas Mosquito Control Association Young Professionals. If you do not have access to Facebook, please email TMCAYP@gmail.com and we will put you on the list!
- 3) an undergraduate or graduate student **OR** have graduated within 12 months of the abstract submission deadline. If the participant has graduated, the research being presented must have been performed while they were still enrolled in either an undergraduate or graduate degree program.
- 4) the presentation's author(s) and presenter(s).

Abstract:

An abstract must be submitted to enter the competition. The abstract deadline is **August 31, 2019**. Each abstract should be approximately 100 words long and summarize the main objective, methods, results, and conclusion of the presentation. The abstracts will be judged on grammar, organization, and content. Participants will be notified regarding acceptance in **September, 2019**. Please submit your abstract to TMCAYP@gmail.com along with a copy of the abstract submission form found at <http://www.texasmosquito.org> (please do not send the submission to Nina Dacko).

Presentation:

Each presentation, including those with multiple speakers, will be allotted **12 minutes**. This includes time for questions so the presentation itself should not exceed **10 minutes**. (The time slot assigned for each presentation is subject to change due to last minute program changes.)

Judges:

The TMCA YP Committee will select three judges to score the presentations. The judges will not be members of the TMCA YPs.

Evaluation:

The competition will occur during the 2019 Annual TMCA Meeting. The presentations will primarily be judged on organization, delivery, and visual design. The evaluation system for this competition is subjective ranking by the three judges.

Awards:

One presentation will be selected for first prize. One runner-up and two honorable mentions may be awarded at the judges' discretion. If a presentation given by a group is awarded a prize, the entire group will share the award.

Meeting Registration: <http://www.texasmosquito.org>