THE AFA AVY AWARDS

By Linda S. Rubin, AFA AVY Awards Chair

The most celebrated, esteemed and highest awards in the history of U.S. aviculture—the AFA AVYs—got their start in 1977 when the American Federation of Aviculture Inc. created an awards system to recognize American aviculturists who have uniquely distinguished themselves in the field of aviculture. Over time, categories expanded until there were bronze, silver and gold awards covering avicultural breeding success and outstanding service from aviculturists in the field. To be presented an AVY was the highest mark of avicultural achievement.

The original committee named the AVY awards from the first three letters, “avi,” in the word aviculture, which was then modified to “AVY,” which we continue to use today. The AVY Awards committee is composed of members of diverse avicultural backgrounds who have achieved or demonstrated avicultural expertise and knowledge, spanning a wide spectrum of aviculture, including zoo species. Committee members are involved in researching, investigating and verifying claims, and in discussion, balloting and voting the results of nominations.

Although there have been several leaders of the AVY Awards Committee over the years, two individuals in particular must be mentioned. The first chairman, Roland G. DuBuc, founded the committee—naming the awards “AVYs”—and assigned the numerous categories that we still use today. Beginning in 1982, Dale R. Thompson took the helm for many years, publishing the descriptions and categories of rules in Watchbird and diligently submitting the award winners for publication for all categories between 1982 and 1996. His presentation of awards during banquet festivities were both heartfelt and memorable. For many of us, it was Thompson who came to symbolize the AVYs and who supremely conveyed the importance, dignity and significance these contributions made.

The AVY Awards are presented annually during the AFA national convention’s August banquet, although it is not mandatory to award all categories every year. Following the convention, an announcement is sent out through AFA in Brief that is distributed to all AFA-affiliated organizations—and in Watchbird—announcing that nominations are open. Nominees for the present year are encouraged to request an application for a specific category; some prior years may also be approved in particular instances.

Once a nomination is received, the nominee is forwarded an application, which must be filled out in full with accompanying photographs and other documentation as required, and returned to the chairman by Dec. 31. Nominations for the calendar year are evaluated by the awards committee, decisions are finalized and nominees notified prior to the national convention.

AVY Award categories are open to members, and in some instances, other aviculturists or institutions, who have uniquely distinguished themselves in challenging and difficult areas of aviculture.

GOLD AVY AWARD—HONOR AWARD

The Gold AVY is a once-in-a-lifetime achievement award and is given to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the field of aviculture. The award may be given for outstanding breeding success or for service given to the field of aviculture. It is the highest award given by the American Federation of Aviculture.

1. The Gold AVY Award is merited for individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to aviculture. The Gold AVY is not solely an achievement award, although achievement may be part of the overall contribution.
2. The Gold AVY Award is a once in a lifetime award and may be given posthumously.
3. Nominations for the Gold AVY Award must be submitted by an Affiliated Club and not by an individual.
4. Nominations for the Gold AVY Award must be for an individual and does not include research institutions, clubs, or organizations, etc.
5. Nominees for the Gold AVY Award must be a member of AFA, or a member of an AFA Affiliated Club.
6. Nominations must be as detailed as possible in order to provide enough information to aid the work of the Award Committee.
7. Nominations must be submitted by Dec. 31 to be awarded at the AFA convention the following year.

SILVER AVY AWARDS

CATEGORY I. Most Progress for the Establishment of an Individual Species or Group of Related Birds.

This category recognizes aviculturists who have made the effort to successfully breed an individual species or related group of birds on a consistent basis. Success must be achieved with a minimum of two pairs of birds, or through the second generation if involving a single species. The Awards Committee will judge whether establishment is achieved. Birds with shorter reproductive life spans (such as finches), will need greater numbers produced than birds that have longer reproductive life spans (such as parrots). The difficulty of each species...
to reproduce offspring will be taken into consideration by the committee.

**CATEGORY II. Breeding a Significant or Highly Difficult Species**

Breeding a significant or highly difficult species reflects the obvious use of sound management techniques. This category eliminates chance breedings and must be well documented.

**CATEGORY III. Progress in Establishing New Mutations in the United States**

This category demonstrates achievement in establishing a new mutation that has not yet been established in the United States. To qualify, offspring visible for the mutation must be bred, and demonstrate self-sufficiency, through the second generation. Birds that are not weaned before nomination deadline (due to late hatching dates in that calendar year), should be nominated the following year after self-sufficiency has been proven.

**CATEGORY IV. Progress in Show Standards**

This category covers birds for which there are written show standards and show classifications. An exhibitor’s bird must have won three or more national level shows (may include annual specialty/large regional shows), judged by three or more certified panel judges, with a bird bred by the exhibitor. All wins must be achieved by a single entry wearing a closed, coded leg band with a published show report record of the recorded win. The Awards Committee will determine the inclusion of annual specialty/regional shows based on the number of entries and exhibitors.

**ZOO CATEGORY AVY AWARDS**

**CATEGORY I. Most Progress for the Establishment of an Individual Species or Group of Related Birds.**

Category 1 recognizes aviculturists who have made the effort to successfully breed a species or related group of birds on a consistent basis. Success must be achieved with a minimum of two pair, or through the second generation if it pertains to a single species. The Awards Committee will judge whether establishment is achieved. Birds with a shorter reproductive life span (such as finches), will need greater numbers produced than birds that have longer reproductive life spans (such as parrots). The difficulty of each species to reproduce offspring will be taken into consideration by the committee.

**CATEGORY II. Breeding a Difficult Species**

Breeding a significant or highly difficult species reflects the obvious use of sound Management techniques. This category eliminates chance breedings and must be well documented.

**Nomination Requirement for Zoo Categories**

1. Nominations may be made by zoo personnel from the nominating institution.
Achievements must have occurred within the United States.

Confirmation of a nomination will be verified through the Awards Committee.

Nominations must include detailed written qualifications for the institution nominated for the Zoo Category award.

Nominations for a Zoo Category award must be submitted by Dec. 31 of the nominating year. The award will be presented the following year at the AFA Convention, which allows the committee time to confirm the nomination.

U.S. FIRST BREEDING AVY AWARDS

1. Nominations for a First Time Breeding must be within the past five years (exceptions are permitted by committee ruling).

2. Nominees must have bred the species for a First Breeding within the United States.

3. The nominee does not have to be a member of AFA.

4. Each nominee must submit an article on the avicultural details of the First Breeding, which will be submitted to the Watchbird. The editor of the Watchbird will form an article for publication if all relevant facts are included.

5. Nominations may be submitted by the breeders of the First Breeding or by any other individual or Affiliated Club.

6. Nominees for a First Breeding must establish that the young of the U.S. First Breeding are completely weaned and self-sufficient before submitting the nomination. Birds that are not weaned before nomination deadline (because of late hatching dates in that calendar year), should be nominated the following year after self-sufficiency has been proven.

7. Confirmation of First Breeding nominations will be verified through the AFA Awards Committee.

8. Nominations for First Breeding Awards will be published in the Watchbird to aid in their confirmation.

9. Scientific names will be used from Maron, Boch & Farrand Jr.

10. Only identifiable subspecies will be given recognition. Subspecies of an avian species that has already been bred in the U.S. will not be awarded unless there is sufficient documentation on both the species previously bred, and the subspecies nominated, provided that there is little difference. The AVY Awards Committee will make the final decision.

Nomination Requirements for First Breeding Awards

1. Nominees must submit a completed copy of the Breeding History questionnaire.

2. Nominees must submit photographs of both weaned young and of the parent birds for the purpose of documentation and species identification.

3. Nominees must submit a name, address, and phone number, of a witness other than the breeder.

4. Confirmed nominee must submit a completed article for publication in Watchbird.

BRONZE—AVY APPRECIATION AWARD

The AVY Appreciation Award is for individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to an AFA affiliated club. This is not an award for avicultural success, but for personal work for an affiliated club that is of an exceptional nature.

1. Nominations for the AVY Appreciation Award must be nominated by the affiliated club of which the nominee is a member. The nomination must be signed by the president and all members of the board of directors, even if the nominee is a member of the affiliated club’s board of directors.

2. The individual nominated for an AVY Appreciation Award must be an individual member of AFA.

3. Nominees may be either individuals or a married couple. If a married couple is nominated, their qualifications must be the same and for the same reasons.

4. Only one nomination per affiliated club, per calendar year, may be submitted Dec. 31 of the nominating year.

5. Up to three nominations for the AVY Appreciation Award will be awarded each year by the AVY Award Committee. The Awards Committee is not required to use all three

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awards if there are not enough nominations, or if the committee believes there is insufficient data received or that nominations do not merit the award.

6. Each winning nomination will receive an AVY Appreciation Award and each Affiliated Club to which the winning member belongs will be rewarded with a $50 cash award going directly to the Affiliated Club.

7. Confirmation of an AVY Appreciation Award will be verified only through the AFA Awards Committee.

8. The more detailed the nomination, the easier it is for the Awards Committee to make a correct decision.

9. An AVY Appreciation Award may only be received once in a lifetime, unless it is from a different AFA-affiliated Club.

10. Nominations that do not receive an award may resubmit the following year.

**Watchbird AVY Award**

This award is for the most outstanding or professional article, as deemed by the AVY Awards Committee, written in the *Watchbird* covering the previous calendar year. *Watchbird* is the official publication of AFA and is published four times a year. All feature articles will be considered, and nominations are then made and voted on by the AVY Awards Committee. No more than two *Watchbird* AVY Awards will be presented for any calendar year.

**Record of AVY Award Recipients**

The following list of U.S. First Breeding AVY Awards compiled from past issues of *Watchbird*, from 1977 when the committee was formed to the present. It is by no means a complete list; in particular, some of the earlier recipients are missing. There is also a period of time when the committee was inactive. If you can verify a reference to a missing First U.S. AVY Breeding Award, please contact the AVY Awards chair, Linda S. Rubin, at lsr@cockatielsplusparrots.com. This list will be updated in a future issue. Part II will detail the remaining categories and species.

**1977–1978**

none reported

**1979**

- species unnamed, Melvin and Gay Fischer. Ariel Toucan, Emerald Forest Bird Garden/Jerry Jennings

**1980**

- Australian Conure, Tom Ireland
- Jamaican Black-billed Amazon, Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Lady Ross’ Toucans, Houston Zoological Garden/Bob Berry
- Red Bird of Paradise, Houston Zoological Garden/Bob Berry
- Scarlet Cock-of-the-Rock, Houston Zoological Garden/Bob Berry
- Scarlett-headed Black Bird, Philadelphia Zoological Garden/Larry Shelton
- Toco Toucan, Jackson Zoological Park
- Yellow-winged Aurora Waxbill, Ralph and Betty Woodbridge

**1981**

- Cayman Brac Amazon, Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Short-billed Tinamou, Crypturellus parvirostris, January 1981, Don Wells and Mr. & Mrs. Wes Smith
- Slender-billed Conure, Enicognathus leptorhynchus, April/May 1978, Tony Silva
- Undulated Tinamou, Crypturellus undulatus, April 24, 1981 James L. Duray 1982
- Cactus Conure, Aratinga c. cactorum, May 11, 1981, Fred and Robbie Harris
- Diademed Tanager, Stephanophorus diadematus, May 2, 1981, Philadelphia Zoological Gardens/Larry Shelton
- Emperor Penguin, Aptenodytes forsteri, Sept. 9, 1980, Sea World, San Diego/Frank Todd
- Festive Amazon, Amazona festiva, May 14, 1980, Busch Gardens, The Dark Continent/Ed Bish and John Olson, DVM
- Gray-headed Chachalaca, Ortalis cinereiceps, April 1980, Mickey Olsson and Dr. Nathan B. Gale
- Gray-headed Social Weaver, Pseudonigrita a. arnava, Wayne A. Schubenberg
- Green-cheeked Conure, Pyrrhura m. molinae, Feb. 7, 1981, Fred and Robbie Harris
- Green-cheeked Conure, Pyrrhura molinae restricta, July 26, 1980, Dennis and Deanna Ferris
- Rock Conure or Black-capped Conure, Pyrrhura rupicola, Tom McCoy
- Tucuman Amazon, Amazona tucumana, July 12, 1981, Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Blue-billed Fire Finch, Logonisticta rubicata Crista, June 23, 1980, Don and Diane Warmbroad
- Buffon’s Macaw, Ara ambigua, June 19, 1982, Dr. Nathan B. Gale and Florence Gale
- Dusky-footed Woodpecker, Melanerpes fuscater, March 2, 1982, Richard Hart and Hiroshi Tagami
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- Emerald Toucanet, Aulacorhynchus prasinus, May 27, 1983, Jerry Jennings
- Green Aracari, Pteroglossus viridis, May 1980, Jerry Jennings
- St. Thomas Conure, Aratinga Amazona leucocephala cam-nensis, 1974, Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
p. pertinax, Dec. 30, 1982, Tom Ireland
- White-headed Duck, Oxyura leucocephala, Aug. 3, 1980, Sea World of Florida, Inc./Ed Asper
- Yellow-face Mountain Parakeet, Bolborhynchus aurifrons, Nov. 4, 1982, Tom Ireland

1985
- African Gray Hornbill, Tockus nasutus, April 3, 1982, Lindsay Clack
- Bar-breasted Fire Finch, Lagnosticta rufopicta, July 22, 1984 John and Kristin Rounds
- Black-bellied Fire Finch, Lagnosticta rara, May 20, 1982, Riverbanks Zoological Park
- Blue-eyed Cockatoo, Cacatua ophthalmo, March 20, 1984, Gloria Allen
- Bronze-winged Pionus, Pionus chalcopterus, May 26, 1984, Stan Carpenter and John Roberts
- Brown-headed Parrot, Poicephalus cryptoxanthus, Dec. 13, 1983, Fred and Robbie Harris
- Caninde Macaw, Ara canindae, July 10, 1984, Kevin J. Clubb
- Chestnut-bellied Starling, Spreo pucher, April 8, 1984, Lindsay Clack
- D’arnaud’s Barbet, Trachypaphonorn darnaudii, April 21, 1984, Lawrence L. Cook
- Hooded Pitta, Pitta sordida, May 16, 1984, Philadelphia Zoo/Larry Shelton
- Muller’s Parrot, Tanygnathus sumatranus, Feb. 21, 1984, Kay K. Muser and M.D. Moll
- Red-bellied Toucan, Ramphastos tucanus, May 30, 1984 Jerry Jennings
- Red-faced Lovebird, Agapornis pullaria, Nov. 17, 1983, Wayne and Charlotte Offerman
- Orange-bellied Euphonia, Euphonia vathogaster ruficeps, June 25, 1984, Philadelphia Zoo/Larry Shelton
- Spot-billed Toucanet, Selenidera maculirostris, May 28, 1984, Jerry Jennings
- Weber’s Lory, Trichoglossus haematodus, May 22, 1983, Jan R. van Oosten and Bill DeLaMare
- White-collared Mynah, Streptocitta albicollis, June 30, 1983, Lindsay Clack

1986
- Black Parrot/Lesser Vasa, Coracopsis n. nigra, June 29, 1985, Richard Reely
- Common Trumpeter, Psophia creptans, May 25, 1984, Woodcland Park Zoological Gardens
- Grosbeak Starling, Scis-sirostrum dum, Feb. 17, 1984, Miami Metro Zoo/Ron Johnson
- Java Hill Myhah, Gracara r. religiosa, May 6, 1984, Dan and Iva Walton
- Toucan Barbet, Semnornis ramphastinus, Oct. 15, 1984, Audubon Zoological Park

1987
- Barred Hemapode, Turnix suscitator, Jan. 3, 1986, Gary Wallen
- Black-naped Oriole, Oriolus chinensis, April 15, 1986, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson
- Celebes-Golden Heart Dove, Gallicolomba tristigmata, May 27, 1985, J. Robert McMorris and Elaine G. Kraengel
- Chestnut-breasted Rock Bunting, Emberiza tahapisi, March 7, 1984, Ralph Colbeck
- Coral-billed Pionus, Pionus sordidus corallinus, May 12, 1986, Peter Cowen
- Five Color Mannikin, Lomchura quintcolor, March 15, 1986, Justin Jacobucci
- Greater Coucal, Centropus sinensis, April 18, 1986, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson
- Pionus, Pionus tumultuosis, June 1, 1986, Robert and Rosalie Snell
- Yellow-billed Stork, Mycteria ibis, March 16, 1986, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson

1988
- Black-necked Aracari, Pteroglossus a. aracari, June 4, 1987, Periwinkle Park Aviaries/Dick Muench
- Channel-billed Toucan, Ramphastos v. vitellinus, June 29, 1987, Rod Barth
- Chestnut-eared Aracari,
Pteroglossus castanotis, May 27, 1983, Rod Barth
- Diademed Amazon, Amazona autumnalis diadema, April 30, 1987, Life Fellowship/Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Orange-bellied Leafbird, Chloropsis hardwickii, June 9, 1987, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson
- Parvipes Amazon, Amazona ochrocephala parvipes, March 30, 1984, Life Fellowship/Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Pied Barbet, Tricholaema leucocephala, July 1, 1987, North Carolina Zoological Park/Ronald E. Morris
- Pleasing or Red-flanked Lorikeet, Charmosyna p. placenta, June 26, 1987, Sharon and Brook Torber
- Red-breasted Musk Parrot, Prospeia tabuenensis, April 19, 1987, Aviculture Breeding and Research Center/Richard Schubot
- Red-crowned Amazon, Amazona dufresniana rhodocorytha, June 12, 1984, Life Fellowship/Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss
- Red-rumped Green Woodpecker, Picus erythropygus, May 18, 1987, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson
- Red-wattled Lapwing, Vanellus indicus, April 19, 1987, Miami Metrozoo/Ron Johnson
- Siberian Crane, Grus leucogeranus, 1981, International Crane Foundation
- Yellow-lored Amazon, Amazona xantholora, June 15, 1984, Life Fellowship/Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss

1989
- Lilacine Amazon, Amazona autumnalis lilicina, April 23, 1986, Life Fellowship/Ramon Noegel and Greg Moss; and Richard L. Miller D. V. M.
- Pondicherry Vulture, Scarabaeus calvus, spring 1983, Jacksonville Zoo/Forest Penny
- Red-faced Liocichla, Liocichla phoenicia, June 2, 1988, North Carolina Zoological Park/Ronald E. Morris
- Salvin’s Amazon, Amazona autumnalis salvini, May 8, 1983, Chris Rowley and Dr. Nathan B. Gale

1990
- Choco Toucan, Ramphastos brevis, July 31, 1989, Jerry Jennings
- Collared Aracari, Pteroglossus t. torquatus, July 15, 1989, Jerry Jennings
- Desmerest’s Fig Parrot, Psittaculirostris desmarestii inermia, April 15, 1989, Bill Lasarig
- Edward’s Fig Parrot, Psittaculirostris edwardii, June 19, 1988, Michael Atkinson
- Great-billed Parrot, Tanygnathus megalorynchus, May 25, 1989, Joan Davis
- Long-tailed Cissa, Cissa chinenis, April 17, 1988, Houston Zoological Gardens/Larry Shelton
- Musschenbroek’s Lorikeet, Noepissittacus m. musschenbroekii, Feb. 18, 1988, Jan R. van Oosten
- Salvadori’s Fig Parrot, Psittaculirostris salvadorii, Aug. 22, 1989, Jan R. van Oosten

1991
- Greater Vasa Parrot, Coracopsis vasa, June 28, 1988, Tony Alexander’s Bird Farm
- Java Mannikin, Lonchura
leucogastroides, Aug. 10, 1990, Carol Anne Calvin and Stash Buckley

- Olive-throated Conure, Aratinga nana nana, May 15, 1990, Alden Chustz

- Rufous-backed Mannikin, Lonchura bicolor (subspecies), Jan. 13, 1990, Roddy Gabel

- Striated Lorikeet, Charmosyna multistriata, July 10, 1990, Mario and Dyann Paulik

- Swainson’s Toucan, Ramphastos swainsonii, July 10, 1990, Ma-

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- Yellow-bibbed Lory, Lories chlorocerus, June 22, 1990, Loridae Production Network

• Olive-throated Conure, Aratinga leucophthalmus callogenys, Jan. 30, 1991, Robbie Harris

• Bodin’s Amazon, April 17, 1989, Mary McDonald (and son) Joe McDonald

• Blue-rumped Parrot, May 9, 1992, Robbie Harris

• Celebes Hanging Parrot, Oct. 31, 1992, Larry and Kathy Weisz

• Peale’s Parrot Finch, Nov. 15, 1991, Carol Anne Calvin and Stash Buckley

• Tui Parakeet, June 22, 1992, Robbie Harris

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• Red-throated Gaudy Barbet, Megalaima mystacophanos, Sept. 6, 1992, The Toledo Zoo

• Bamboo Parrot Finch, Erythura hypopyrra, April 6, 1990, Stash & Carol Anne Buckley

• Blue-headed Parrot Finch, Erythura tricolor, April 11, 1993, Stash and Carol Anne Buckley

• Cinnamon-headed Green Pigeon, Treton fulvicolis, Nov. 26, 1993, Todd Fox

• Yellow-throated Hanging Parrot, Loriculus pusillus, May 5, 1995, Robert and Angie Petrie

• Crimson-bellied Conure, Pyrrhura perlata perlata, Hill Country Aviaries/Rick Jordan & Mark Moore

• Rosie-fronted Conure, Pyrrhura roseifrons, Richard Cusick

• African pied hornbill, Tockus fasciatus semifasciatus, June 9, 2007, James Watson

1992
- Desmarest Fig Parrot, Psittaculirostris d. desmarestii, Jan. 2, 1989, Michael Atkinson

- Fischer’s Touraco, Tauraco fischeri, March 24, 1991, Sid Milne

- Kulikoro Firefinch, Lagonosticta virata, Feb. 27, 1991, Carol Anne Calvin and Stash Buckley

- Spectabilis (New Britain) Mannikin, Lonchura spectabilis, July 15, 1990, Carol Anne Calvin and Stash Buckley

- White-eyed Conure, Aratinga leucophthalmus callogenys, Jan. 30, 1991, Robbie Harris

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- Pin-tailed Nonpareil Parrot Finch, Erythura prasina, July 7, 1993

- Red-throated Gaudy Barbet, Megalaima mystacophanos, Sept. 6, 1992, The Toledo Zoo

2000–2001
- Rosie-fronted Conure, Pyrrhura roseifrons, Richard Cusick

2003–2006
- none reported

2007
- Blue-cheeked Amazon, Amazona dufreresniana, Hill Country Aviaries/Rick Jordan and Mark Moore

- Brown Twinspot Finch, Clytospiza monteiri, Harry Bryant

2008
- African pied hornbill, Tockus fasciatus semifasciatus, June 9, 2007, James Watson

2009
- none presented

2010
- Whale-billed or Shoebill Stork, Balaeniceps rex, Dec. 25, 2009, Dr. Lawrence E. Killmar, Tamp-

- Black-masked Emerald Toucanet, Aulachorynchus prasinus atrogularis, May 23, 2010, Jerry Jennings

2011
- Lettered Aracari, Pteroglossus inscriptus humboldtii, May 26, 2010, Jerry Jennings
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