

SOCIETY FOR EXPERIMENTAL MECHANICS, INC.

Guidelines for the W. M. Murray Lecture

NAME OF THE AWARD:

The W. M. Murray Lecture

TO BE AWARDED:

The award should be given annually.

PURPOSE OF THE AWARD:

The William M. Murray Lecture was initiated in 1952 as the Society's prestige lecture. It is presented each year as a continuing honor to Dr. William MacGregor Murray, first president and long-time secretary-treasurer, for his many contributions to SEM.

The honor of presenting the William M. Murray lecture each year is bestowed on an individual chosen by the Honors Committee. Each lecturer is normally selected at least 18 months in advance of the meeting at which the lecture is presented. The lecture is on a subject relating to the Society's interests. A manuscript of the lecture is published in *Experimental Mechanics* without requiring peer review.

THE AWARD SHALL CONSIST OF:

A plaque¹ recognizing the recipient, presented at the time the lecture is given. The lecturer is a guest of the Society at the Annual Awards Luncheon during the meeting at which the lecture is presented as well as at a private lunch the day of the lecture. The registration fee for attending the meeting is waived.

FUNDING FOR THE AWARD AND RELATED ISSUES:

All expenses associated with the award are borne by the Society.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

- (1) The recipient should be "...a well-known authority, on some subject relating to the Society's interests."
- (2) The recipient need not be a member of SEM.

PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION:

- (1) The selection of a recipient shall be the responsibility of the SEM Honors Committee or whichever such group within SEM shall be charged with selecting the recipients of other society awards.
- (2) The identification of suitable candidates for this award shall be the responsibility of the SEM Honors Committee and shall be carried out following a procedure that is consistent with that used to identify suitable candidates for other society awards.

¹ The plaque shall consist of a hardwood base 8" x 10" or larger in size, a medal bearing the likeness of W.M. Murray, and a metal plaque bearing the name of the award, the name of the recipient, an appropriate citation (*i.e.*, "...in recognition of his/her outstanding technical contributions to..."), and the date of presentation.