

SNO-FOO 2018 – Alexandre Langlois

The 2017 SNO-FOO award is presented to Dr. Alexandre Langlois, Professor in the School of Applied Geoinformatics at Sherbrooke University. Alex wins the award while simultaneously serving as the 2nd Secretary, CA of the Eastern Snow Conference, a not-so-enviable feat!

Alexandre Langlois is a great collaborator, one you can always talk to and be frank with. Therefore, Alex always leaves his door wide open. He would never miss an opportunity to prove to you his openness. This time he was ready to show it again while spending time in the beautiful New Hampshire White Mountains during CrustEx. CrustEx took place in March 2018 and was mainly concerned with measuring and understanding the complex nature of New England snow. Especially snow that has a myriad of ice crusts from rain on snow events. In other words, it's where Alex loves to be scientifically even though he and Alexander Roy were several auto hours away from Sherbrook, Canada where both work.

One very cold morning during CrustEx, Alex's incredible openness caught up with him as he and Alexandre Roy were getting ready to leave camp early for radiometer measurements of freshly fallen snow. Little did both A's know what they were about to get themselves into. While backing out of a tight spot with their brand-new truck, a colleague flagged them down to check for room keys. Alexander Roy opened the passenger door of the truck to speak to the colleague while Alexander Langlois continued to drive backward into a snowbank pulling the door backwards and off the hinges like opening a can of sardines. I knew Alex wouldn't disappoint since he always leaves the door wide open! On the bright side, insurance covered the repair and they could close the door so both would not freeze to death while driving back to Canada that same day.

Presented by Ronny Schroeder

Past Recipients

The Eastern Snow Conference annual bestows upon a distinguished snow scientist who, in striving for excellence in snow research, contributes to an event of notable humor the highly coveted Sno-Foo Award.

Year	Winner	Affiliation
2018	Alexandre Langlois	Université de Sherbrooke
2017	Michael Durand	The Ohio State University
2016	Roger De Roo	University of Michigan
2015	Kevin Côté	Université de Sherbrooke
2014	Dorothy Hall	NASA GSFC
2013	Benoit Montpetit	Université de Sherbrooke
2012	Don Pierson	NYC DEP
2011	Ken Rancourt	Mt. Washington Observatory
2010	Kyung-Kuk (Kevin) Kang	University of Waterloo
2009	Rob Hellström	Bridgewater State University
2008	Steven Fassnacht	Colorado State University
2007	The Group of 91	
2006	Andrew Klein	Texas A&M University
2005	Claude Duguay	University of Alaska-Fairbanks
2004	Chris Derksen	Meteorological Service of Canada
2003	Miles Ecclestone	Trent University
2002	Danny Marks	U.S.D.A.
2001	Brenda Toth	University of Saskatchewan
2000	Mauri Pelto	Nichols College
1999	Ross Brown	Meteorological Service of Canada
1998	Mary Albert	CRREL
1997	Jean Stein	Université de Laval
1996	Colin Taylor	Trent University
1995	Mike Demuth	NHRI
1994	Bert Davis	CRREL
1993	John Pomeroy	NHRI
1992	Tom Niziol	National Weather Service
1991	Terry Prowse	NHRI
1990	Kersi Davar	University of New Brunswick
1989	Gerry Jones	INRS-EAU
1988	Robert Sykes	SUNY
1987	John Metcalfe	Meteorological Service of Canada
1986	Peter Adams	Trent University
1985	Don Wiesnet	National Weather Service
1984	Barry Goodison	Meteorological Service of Canada

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¹ Jimmy MacDonald (University of Saskatchewan), Bill Floyd (University of British Columbia), Chris DeBeer (University of Saskatchewan), Wendell Koning (Government of Alberta), Jaime Hood (University of Calgary), Dankia Muir (University of Calgary), John Jackson (University of Calgary), Sarah Forte (University of Calgary), Masaki Hayashi (University of Calgary)