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# **Call for nominations: ASA Editor-in-Chief, The Plant Genome Editor**

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The following volunteer editor positions with the Societies will be open next year: ASA Editor-in-Chief and Editor of *The Plant Genome* (a peer-reviewed journal published by CSSA). The positions are for a three-year term of service to begin **1 Jan. 2021**.

Candidates are expected to be visionary, as the publication ecosystem is experiencing rapid changes in scientific content delivery as well as publishing models. In addition, there is fierce competition for authors and readers. Prior editorial experience with ASA, CSSA, or SSSA publications or those having similar subject matter/structure is required for both positions.

The positions are appointed by the Society's president upon confirmation by its board of directors. Both carry a great deal of responsibility as well as personal satisfaction.

Candidates for both positions are appointed to three-year terms with eligibility for a second three-year term but not a third term without an intervening three-year period. It is expected that the candidates chosen will be able to attend the 2020 Annual Meeting, which will be held 8–11 November in Phoenix, AZ, allowing for a timely and smooth transition into the positions.

### **ASA Editor-in-Chief**

Duties of the ASA Editor-in-Chief include but are not limited to:

- providing leadership for the Society's publications and corresponding editors;
- chairing the Society's Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee on a rotating basis;
- considering broad questions of editorial practices that promote the dissemination of exceptionally high quality scientific knowledge and the uniformity of format, style,

- and procedures in conjunction with the Society's board of directors, Executive Committee, and as needed with the Society's Budget and Finance Committee;
- appointing feasibility and editorial committees for the evaluation and preparation of Society books, special publications, and other miscellaneous publications;
  - nominating editors on behalf of the Society's president to the board of directors for ratification;
  - appointing technical editors for the Society's journals on behalf of the Society's president;
  - serving as a member of the editorial boards of the Society's journal; and
  - serving as an ad hoc member of ASA's Board of Directors and Budget and Finance Committee.

Interested persons may nominate themselves or be nominated by an active member of ASA. Candidates should email (i) a vita including a list of previous editorial experience and (ii) a vision statement for the Society's publications not exceeding one page by **1 May 2020** to ASA President Sylvie Brouder ([Send Message](#)). Applications will be reviewed by the ASA Board of Directors prior to selecting and appointing a new Editor-in-Chief.

### *The Plant Genome* **Editor**

Duties of *The Plant Genome* Editor include but are not limited to:

- providing general leadership for *The Plant Genome*;
- chairing the journal's editorial board;
- considering questions of editorial practices that promote the dissemination of exceptionally high quality scientific knowledge and the uniformity of format, style, and procedures in conjunction with the CSSA leadership;

- appointing Associate Editors to the journal's editorial board on behalf of the CSSA president;
- serving as a member of the Societies' Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee; and
- serving as a liaison to other Societies and individuals to ensure the international and multidisciplinary scope of the journal's content and readership base.

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