



NAME: Llyn S. Sharp

JOB TITLE: Assistant Director

HOME DEPARTMENT: Natural History Museum,
Science Outreach

COLLEGE OR VP AREA: Science

NOMINATED FOR: President's Award for Excellence

NOMINATED BY: Michael S. Rosenzweig, Jerry Via, and Bob Jones

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SUMMARY

The single most compelling reason that motivated me to nominate Llyn Sharp for this award is her unfailing dedication and loyalty to her work. Through her guidance, support, and perseverance, Llyn has been able to establish an outdoor science laboratory that spans the upper New River from North Carolina, through Virginia, and into West Virginia. Close to Virginia Tech, we have four learning laboratory sites with familiar names: Pandapas Pond, Mountain Lake, The VT Duck Pond, and Stroubles Creek.

Through her extraordinary contributions, Llyn has worked with teachers and administrators from our surrounding school districts leading workshops and planning sessions on how to use these sites for their classes using tried and true field science methodology.

Dr. Erin L. Dolan, Outreach Director, explains, "Llyn Sharp is a real asset to Virginia Tech. She devotes an incredible amount of time and energy to developing her own content and skill knowledge so she can be a strong facilitator of others' learning. It is with great pleasure that I have collaborated with Llyn over the past two years. I look forward to seeing the significant contributions she will no doubt make here at Virginia Tech in years to come."