

November 4th, 2004

Dear Mr. McMillan,

SB&F, the review journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), and Subaru are pleased to announce that you have been chosen as a nominee for the Key Lifetime Achievement Award for Excellence in Science Books. You are one of three nominees in the Children's Science Books – Illustrator category.

With generous support from Subaru, SB&F will commemorate its  $40^{th}$  anniversary in 2005 with the creation of the Key Award celebrating science writing and illustration for children, young adults and general audiences. To kickoff the Key Award, SB&F and Subaru will honor five authors and one illustrator in recognition of their distinguished and lasting contribution to the world of science books. Please see the enclosed information for more about AAAS, SB&F and the Key Award.

SB&F and Subaru are excited to be able to honor authors, like yourself, who's body of work has continually presented scientific concepts to children in a voice they can understand, while adhering to high levels of scientific accuracy and without misleading oversimplifications. SB&F believes that good children's science books have the power to encourage a life-long appreciation of, and interest in, science by prompting young readers to know more. We hope that the Key Award will help draw attention to the importance of good science books and will encourage children and adults to turn to science books, not only for information, but for enjoyment too!

One winner will be announced in the category of Children's Science Books – Illustrator. I will contact you in mid-December with the results. Winners from each category will be honored at a reception at the AAAS Annual Meeting's Family Science Day on February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2005. Winners will receive registration at the AAAS Annual Meeting, \$500 in travel costs and a cash award of \$1500.

Starting November 15<sup>th</sup> you will be able to find out more information about the Award at www.sbfonline.com/keyaward.

Congratulations on your nomination and thank you for your continued contributions to improving science literacy for children.

Sincerely,

Heather Malcomson Editor, *SB&F*