The purpose of these awards, as specified by the Dwornik Endowment to the Geological Society of America, is to encourage American youth to become involved with NASA and planetary studies. The awards are administered through the Planetary Geology Division of the Geological Society of America (GSA).

The Stephen E. Dwornik Student Research Paper Awards are given for the best student research presentations at the Lunar and Planetary Science Conference. There are two awards given annually: one for a paper presented orally and one for a paper presented as a poster. These awards are open **ONLY to U.S. citizens** who are currently enrolled as students at any degree level in the field of planetary geosciences. Recent graduates, precollege students, and postdoctoral fellows are not eligible.

Students who wish to apply for this award must mail this form, with an original signature by the student's advisor, to the 38th LPSC Student Awards, LPI Publications and Program Services Department, 3600 Bay Area Boulevard, Houston TX 77058. The deadline for student award application forms is **January 9, 2007**; all application forms MUST be RECEIVED by this date. Only one abstract per student will be considered for the award. Students submitting more than one abstract for the conference must clearly identify the abstract they wish to be judged. The student must be the senior author of the abstract and the major contributor to the material presented. The majority of the material should not have been previously presented at another meeting. Updates on work "in progress" are acceptable only if the majority of the material presented is new.

Judging is by a diverse group of experienced planetary scientists, and will be based on both the written abstract and the presentation. Winners will be introduced and awarded a plaque and $500 cash at a plenary session at the following year’s Lunar and Planetary Science Conference; Honorable Mentions may also be awarded at the judges’ discretion.

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