



WOLF FOUNDATION | קרן וולף  
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לקידום המדע והאמנות לטובת האנושות  
To promote science and art for the benefit of mankind

## Nomination and Selection of Wolf Laureates

### The Wolf Prize

**WOLF PRIZE** in the SCIENCES and ARTS are awarded since 1978 to outstanding artists and scientists for their achievements for the benefit of mankind and brotherly relations among peoples, regardless of nationality, race, color, religion, sex or political views.

Five Wolf prizes are been awarded annually. In accordance with the Wolf Prize principle of rotation four prizes are been given in the Sciences and one prize in the Arts.

Prize fields in sciences comprise: Agriculture, Chemistry, Mathematics, Medicine and Physics. In the Arts, the prize rotates annually among Architecture, Music, Painting and Sculpture.

The prize in each area consists of a diploma and 100,000 US\$. In the event of co-recipients sharing one prize, the honorarium is equally divided among them.

To date, 320 scientists and artists from all over the world have been awarded the prestigious Wolf Prize.



### Process of Nomination

**Nomination to the Wolf Prize is by invitation only.** The Wolf Foundation sends confidential forms to persons who are competent and qualified to nominate, according to the "Wolf Foundation Law - 1975".

### Qualified Nominators

- President or Rector of an institution of higher education / recognized scientific institute
- President of a national academy
- Deans of faculties
- Head of scientific organization of scientists
- Head of an art museum, head of an art academy, Head of tops Conservatories of Music
- Wolf Prize Laureate - in the field in which he/she won the Wolf prize
- Nobel Prize Laureate - in the field which he/she won the Nobel Prize
- Others that are invited to present candidates by the council chairman or the general manager of the Wolf Foundation and which their invitation has been approved by the council.



### **Limitations**

Please note the following limitations imposed by the Wolf Prize Guidelines:

- The Prize is awarded to individuals, not to institutions;
- A person cannot nominate him/herself;
- A Nobel Prize Laureate will not be considered, unless his/her nomination is proposed for an achievement entirely different from the one that won him/her the Nobel Prize;
- The Wolf Prize is awarded by the President of the State of Israel in Jerusalem, Therefore nominators are requested not to propose candidates who, to the best of their knowledge, may not be able to attend the Ceremony.
- Two candidates may be nominated to receive the Prize jointly for collaborative work, or for the same contribution to achievement and development of the field .

### **Secrecy**

The names of the nominees and other information about the nominations are kept confidential. However, the nominator is not bound to keep his role secret, and may inform the candidate(s), or any other person(s), of the candidacy.



### **Selection of Wolf Laureates**

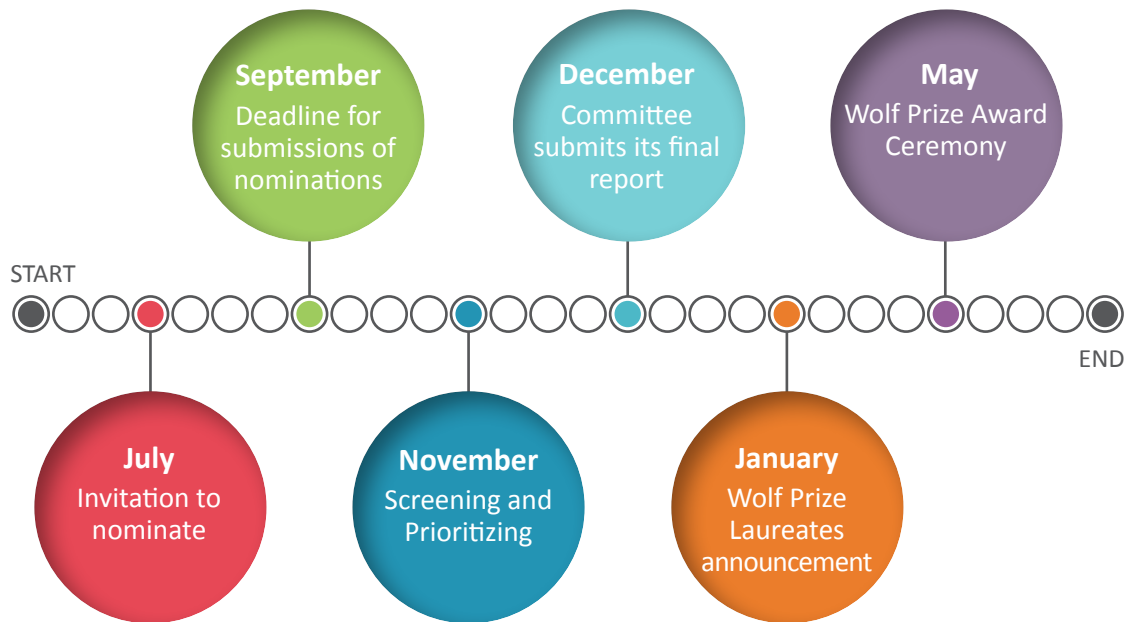
The selection of the Wolf Laureates is made by an international Prize Committees, comprising renowned experts in each field. Prize committees are appointed every year.

Each committee consists nominally of three voting members from different continents.

The Committee screens and prioritize the nominations and presents a proposal for final candidates for final discussion and decision.

Committee members, proceedings and recommendations are kept confidential; except for the citation of the recipient's prize justifications, written by the committee members, which is published by the Wolf Foundation. Committee decisions are final and irrevocable.

## Timeline



**July** | Call for proposal nominations are sent out.

**September** | Deadline for submission. Nominations must be received no later than September 15th, 2017, if they are to be reviewed for the 2018 Prize. Proposals received after this date shall be considered only for the following year.

**October-November** | The International Committees screens the nominations and selects the preliminary candidates.

**December** | Committees submit its final reports. The decision is final and without appeal.

**January** | The Wolf Prize Laureates are announced.

**May** | The Wolf Prize Award Ceremony takes place at the Knesset in Jerusalem, where the Wolf Laureates receive their Prizes by the President of the State of Israel.