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NCSE is delighted to congratulate Michael E. Mann on receiving the James Shea Award for 2017. Presented by the National Association of Geoscience Teachers, the award honors "exceptional contributions in the form of writing and/or editing of Earth science materials (broadly construed) that are of interest to the general public and/or teachers of Earth science."

Announcing the award, NAGT [described](#) [4] Mann's "contributions to the earth sciences as a researcher, author, lecturer, and advocate" as "legendary," adding, "He is one of a few courageous climate scientists who continue to play a leading role in calling the attention of the public and policy makers to the overriding environmental challenge of the twenty-first century: anthropogenic climate change."

Mann is Distinguished Professor of Atmospheric Science at Penn State University, with joint appointments in the Department of Geosciences and the Earth and Environmental Systems Institute. He is also director of the Penn State Earth System Science Center. His latest book, coauthored with Tom Toles, is *The Madhouse Effect* (Columbia University Press, 2016). A member of NCSE's Advisory Council, he received NCSE's Friend of the Planet Award in 2014.

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