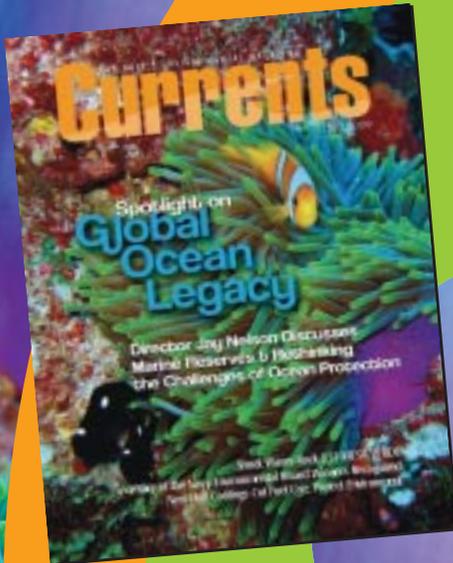


Currents Continues its Award-Winning Ways

Fall 2009 Issue Receives Awards in Two Competitions



In the spring of 2010, *Currents* magazine was honored with an Award of Excellence by the National Association of Government Communicators (NAGC) as part of their 2009 Blue Pencil & Gold Screen Awards Competition. In addition, the magazine received a third-place award in the Chief of Information (CHINFO) Merit Awards contest.

The NAGC award was issued for our fall 2009 issue which featured our spotlight interview of Jay Nelson, Director of Global Ocean Legacy. Jay discussed the designations of marine reserves including efforts to set aside large expanses of the ocean surrounding the Chagos Islands to protect the reefs, fish populations and other resources that sustain the entire region.

The NAGC Blue Pencil & Gold Screen Awards Competition salutes superior communications efforts of government agencies and recognizes the people who create them. Blue Pencil Award categories are designed for writing, editing, photography, and published products, such as pamphlets, books, newsletters, and other related materials. The 2010 Communicator Awards Competition featured a pool of over 7,000 entries, making it the largest competition of its kind. Of the entries received, the judges selected 48 First Place winners, 48 Second Place awards, and 68 Awards of Excellence. Winners were announced at an awards banquet held in Washington, D.C. on 17 May.

The Chief of Information announced the results of its own internal media award competitions for internal media print and broadcast products by Navy Commands and individuals. *Currents* placed third in the "Magazine Format Publication" category.

The CHINFO Merit Awards Program recognizes exemplary achievements in Navy internal print and broadcast media products produced by Navy commands and individuals in some 22 print and 17 broadcast categories. Print media categories include: newspapers, feature, news, sports writing, photography, familygrams, web publications and cruisebooks among others.

NAGC is a national not-for-profit professional network of federal, state and local government employees who disseminate information within and outside government. Its members are editors, writers, graphic artists, video professionals, broadcasters, photographers, information specialists and agency spokespersons. The complete listing of award winners and participating judges is available on the NAGC web site at www.nagconline.org/documents/bpgs2010.pdf.

For a comprehensive listing of all CHINFO Merit Award winners, visit the Naval Media Center's web site at www.mediacen.navy.mil/index.htm.