

PROF BRENDA WINGFIELD AWARDED FELLOWSHIP OF THE AMERICAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

At an impressive awards ceremony, Prof. Brenda Wingfield had the special honour of being awarded Fellowship of the American Phytopathological Society (APS). The ceremony was held as part of the International Congress of Plant Pathology (ICPP) held in Boston, USA, from 29 July to 3 August. The APS is the world's most influential body focused on the field of plant disease and food security. The award was presented by APS President Dr Mary Palm and past President Dr Rick Bennett.



Fellowship is the highest honour that the Society can bestow upon its members. About 10 fellowships are awarded annually and they make up about one percent of the Society's membership. Prof Wingfield joins Prof. Mike Wingfield as the only two current South Africans with APS Fellowship. It has also been suggested that they are probably the only dual professional couple that share this honour but this needs to be verified!