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# **Honors and Awards Program**

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## *The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics*

On 4 April 1930, eleven men and one woman founded the American Interplanetary Society (AIS) in New York City. A single pioneering dream motivated them: the idea that space flight and interplanetary travel were not only desirable, but also possible. Four years later, in recognition of the role that rocket propulsion would play in space flight, the AIS changed its name to the American Rocket Society (ARS).

At the same time that the ARS was pursuing these revolutionary goals, a group of aeronautical engineers and scientists saw another need. Coming from the struggling aircraft industry, which was still in its infancy, they recognized the value of aeronautical sciences and technologies. On 15 October 1932, vision became reality as the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences (IAS) was founded. At its Founder's Day, the meeting roster listed 408 members; Orville Wright was its first Honorary Fellow.

Over the next three decades, aeronautics and astronautics made remarkable advances. Both societies kept current by changing with the technology and the times. In 1960, to reflect the expanding scope of its mission, IAS changed its name to the Institute of the Aerospace Sciences.

But, as time passed, the two societies crossed paths more and more. By the early sixties they shared broad areas of common technical ground. On 1 February 1963, the American Rocket Society and the Institute of the Aerospace Sciences merged to become the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA).

AIAA and its founding societies have been on the forefront of the aerospace profession since its beginnings. The Institute has sought to foster a sense of pride and professionalism among those who have affected profound and long-range changes in aerospace technology throughout the world. This is why we take great pride in the fact that major achievements in flight since 1963 were made by at least one of AIAA's individual or corporate members.

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### *Honors and Awards Program*

The Honors and Awards Committee was established for the purpose of overseeing and monitoring the process for recognizing meritorious contributions to science and engineering by means of awards, honors, and other suitable recognition. The Committee shall develop and recommend to the Board policies and procedures relating to matters concerning the establishment of honors and awards.

AIAA is proud to recognize the very best in our industry: those individuals and teams who have taken aerospace technology to the next level...who have advanced the quality and depth of the aerospace profession...who have leveraged their aerospace knowledge for the benefit of society. Their achievements have inspired us to dream and to explore new frontiers.

We celebrate our industry's discoveries and achievements from the small but brilliantly simple innovations that affect everyday lives to the major discoveries and missions that fuel our collective human drive to explore and accomplish amazing things. For over 80 years, AIAA has been a champion to make sure that aerospace professionals are recognized for their contributions.

AIAA's honors and awards program regularly and conscientiously surveys the aerospace field, identifies practitioners in its arts and sciences who have made notable and significant contributions, and honors them in public ceremonies with symbols of acclaim and esteem.

### *Awards Book*

This awards book describes AIAA's Honors and Awards Program, which currently includes awards in eight different categories. Categories are premier awards, distinguished lectureships, technical excellence awards, publication awards, educator and student awards, section awards, service awards, and certificates of merit. AIAA is pleased to partner with other societies for some of these awards.

AIAA's primary goal is to recognize those who are making earthshaking achievements. Since the inception of the AIAA Honors and Awards Program, we've recognized thousands for meritorious achievements, technical contributions, committee service section participation and loyal membership.

The description of each award contains the scope, brief history of the award and/or award name if applicable, the committee/group responsible for the award, and specific award information including the nomination deadline date and the venue where the award is generally presented. Past recipients are shown by year.

For up-to-date award information or to obtain current information about award recipients and/or their citations, please visit <https://www.aiaa.org/get-involved/honors-awards/awards>

AIAA members are eligible to place a nomination and are reminded that quality of information is most important. Nominators should carefully read the online award guidelines at <https://www.aiaa.org/get-involved/honors-awards/awards/awards-policies-and-requirements>

All nominations and endorsements letters are to be submitted online, by the published deadline. The links to online system can be found on [Call for Awards Nominations | AIAA](#)

If you have questions about AIAA Honors and Awards Program or need further information, please email [awards@aiaa.org](mailto:awards@aiaa.org).

## PREMIER AWARDS

AIAA reserves this category for the highest accolades the Institute can bestow to recognize unique contributions or outstanding performance in the fields of aeronautics or astronautics, international cooperation, and dedicated service to the Institute. For most awards, presentations are made during the Awards Gala. Unless otherwise stated, the AIAA Honors and Awards Committee selects the awardee and prepares the citation, subject to approval by the AIAA Board of Trustees.

### *AIAA Award for Aerospace Excellence* *AIAA President's Choice Award*

Established in 2023, the AIAA Award for Aerospace Excellence honors a unique achievement by a group or team in the aerospace community that is shaping the future of aerospace – and inspiring the next generation to pursue careers in aerospace.

#### ***Past Recipients***

2023 Double Asteroid Redirection Test Team (DART) National Reconnaissance Office  
2024 USAF Combat Artificial Intelligence Technology Demonstration Team  
2025 Not awarded  
2026 Not awarded

### *AIAA Foundation Award for Excellence* AIAA Foundation Board of Trustees

Established in 1998, the AIAA Foundation Award for Excellence acknowledges outstanding achievements by individuals or groups in the aerospace community. Eligible nominees will offer a unique achievement or extraordinary lifetime contributions inspiring the global aerospace community.

This award was discontinued in 2019.

#### ***Past Recipients***

1998 National Reconnaissance Office  
1999 John Glenn  
2000 Norman Augustine  
2001 Daniel Goldin  
2002 Gen Tommy Franks  
2003 John Travolta  
2004 John Shalikashvili  
2005 Alan Mulally  
2006 L. S. “Skip” Fletcher  
2007 Gordon Bethune  
2008 Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
2009 Challenger Center  
2010 Joint Strike Fighter Program  
2011 Air Force Scientific Advisory Board  
2012 Boeing 787 Dreamliner  
2013 JPL Mars Science Laboratory  
2014 X-51A WaveRider Team  
2015 X-37B Orbital Test Vehicle Team  
2016 John R. “Jack” Dailey  
2017 NASA Langley Research Center  
2018 Honda Aircraft Company

### ***Daniel Guggenheim Medal***

The Daniel Guggenheim Medal Board of Award  
Jointly sponsored by AIAA, ASME, SAE, and VFS

The Daniel Guggenheim Medal was established in 1929 for the purpose of honoring persons who make notable achievements in the advancement of aeronautics. Administration of the Medal resides with AIAA.  
[www.guggenheimmedal.org](http://www.guggenheimmedal.org)

This annual award is generally presented at the Awards Gala. However, it may be presented at another event, selected by the Board of Award and Medalist. The Medalist receives a framed certificate of citation and an engraved medal. [www.guggenheimmedal.org](http://www.guggenheimmedal.org).

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

#### ***Past Recipients***

1929 Orville Wright	1962 James Kindelberger	1995 Robert Seamans
1930 Ludwig Prandtl	1963 James McDonnell	1996 William Sears
1931 Frederick Lanchester	1964 Robert Goddard	1997 Abe Silverstein
1932 Juan de la Cierva	1965 Sydney Camm	1998 Richard Coar
1933 Jerome Hunsaker	1966 Charles Draper	1999 Frank Marble
1934 William Boeing	1967 George Schairer	2000 William Pickering
1935 William Durand	1968 H M Horner	2001 Richard Whitcomb
1936 George Lewis	1969 H Julian Allen	2002 John Borger
1937 Hugh Eckener	1970 Jakob Ackeret	2003 Holt Ashley
1938 Alfred Fedden	1971 Archibald Russell	2004 Courtland Perkins
1939 Donald Douglas	1972 William Mentzer	2005 Eugene Covert
1940 Glenn Martin	1973 William Allen	2006 Robert Loewy
1941 Juan Trippe	1974 Floyd Thompson	2007 Alexander Flax
1942 James Doolittle	1975 Dwane Wallace	2008 Earl Dowell
1943 Edmund Allen	1976 Marcel Dassault	2009 Arthur Bryson
1944 Lawrence Bell	1977 Cyrus Smith	2010 Robert Liebeck
1945 Theodore Wright	1978 Edward Heinemann	2011 Burt Rutan
1946 Frank Whittle	1979 Gerhard Neumann	2012 Frank Robinson
1947 Lester Gardner	1980 Edward Wells	2013 Abe Karem
1948 Leroy Grumman	1981 Clarence Johnson	2014 Alan Mulally
1949 Edward Warner	1982 David Lewis	2015 Antony Jameson
1950 Hugh Dryden	1983 Nicholas Hoff	2016 Walter Vincenti
1951 Igor Sikorsky	1984 Thomas Davis	2017 Paul M. Bevilacqua
1952 Geoffrey De Havilland	1985 Thornton Wilson	2018 Irvin Glassman
1953 Charles Lindbergh	1986 Hans Liepmann	2019 Sheila Widnall
1954 Clarence Howe	1987 Paul MacCready	2020 Ozires Silva
1955 Theodore von Karman	1988 J R D Tata	2021 Alan C. Brown
1956 Frederick Rentschler	1989 Fred Weick	2023 Wayne Johnson
1957 Arthur Raymond	1990 Joseph Sutter	2024 Michimasa Fujino
1958 William Littlewood	1991 Hans Von Ohain	2025 Stephen W. Tsai
1959 George Edwards	1992 Bernard Koff	2026 Charbel Farhat
1960 Grover Loening	1993 Ludwig Boelkow	
1961 Jerome Lederer	1994 Helmut Korst	

#### ***Distinguished Service Award***

Honors and Awards Committee

The Distinguished Service Award was established by the Board of Directors in 1968 to give unique recognition to an individual member of AIAA who has provided distinguished service to the Institute over a period of years. "Period of years" is interpreted as a minimum of five years of identifiable participation, not necessarily consecutive. The recipient must be a member in good standing who has shown particular dedication to the interests

of the Institute by making significant and continuing contributions. Technical contributions or contributions to the profession as a whole or to the aeronautical/astronautical/hydronautical disciplines are not a consideration for this award. Nominee Eligibility: Current national officers or directors are not eligible for this award.

The recipient receives a crystal trophy. This annual award is presented at the choice of the awardee.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1968 Harvey Cook	1996 Patricia Fresh
1969 Peter Johnson	1997 George Seibert
1970 H. Moran	1998 Doris Lampe
1971 Frederick Roever	1999 Philip Hattis
1972 William Chana	2000 Don Fuqua
1973 H. Norman Abramson	2001 Not awarded
1974 Charles Appleman	2002 L. S. "Skip" Fletcher
1975 Warren Curry	2003 John Swihart
1976 Kenneth Randle	2004 Abe Zarem
1978 Ann Dickson	2005 Michael Francis
1979 Charles Eyres	2006 Conrad Newberry
1980 Tony Armstrong	2007 William Vaughan
1981 Herbert Bair	2008 John Blanton
1981 George Frankel	2009 David Knowlen
1981 Gil Moore	2010 Arnold Aldrich
1981 William Simmons	2011 G. P. "Bud" Peterson
1981 Edith Woodward	2012 Donald Richardson
1982 George Mills	2013 Aubrey (Tom) Smith
1983 Herbert Rosen	2014 Michael Yarymovych
1984 Norman Chaffee	2015 Roy V. Harris
1985 William Williams	2016 Tom D Crouch
1986 Thomas Gagnier	2017 Robert C. Winn
1987 Norman Baullinger	2018 Mary L. Snitch
1988 James Harford	2019 Klaus D. Dannenberg
1988 George W. Sutton	2020 L. Jane Hansen
1989 Andrew Morgan	2021 Merri Sanchez
1990 Donald Stone	2022 David Throckmorton
1991 Lawrence Stephens	2023 David R. Riley
1992 William Macdonald	2024 Paul D. Nielsen
1993 Velice BetSayad	2025 Basil Hassan
1994 Robert Justice	2026 Mark J. Lewis
1995 Roland Schoenhoff	

**Goddard Astronautics Award**  
Honors and Awards Committee

The Goddard Astronautics Award is the highest honor AIAA bestows for notable achievement in the field of astronautics. It was endowed by Mrs. Goddard as the ARS Goddard Memorial Award to commemorate her husband, Robert H. Goddard-rocket visionary, pioneer, bold experimentalist, and superb engineer, whose early liquid rocket engine launches set the stage for the development of astronautics. The award received its current form in 1975, when the Institute changed the name and widened the selection criteria of its former Goddard Award (which had been bestowed for contributions in the engineering science of propulsion and energy conversion).

The recipient receives a crystal trophy. This annual award is presented at the choice of the awardee.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1978 Joseph V. Charyk	1980 Robert J. Parks
1979 Maxime A. Faget	1981 Peter T. Burr

1981 Kenneth J. Frost  
 1982 John F. Yardley  
 1983 George E. Mueller  
 1984 Krafft Ehrlicke  
 1985 Frederic C.E. Oder  
 1986 George E. Solomon  
 1987 John L. McLucas  
 1988 Norman R. Augustine  
 1989 Alan M. Lovelace  
 1990 Richard H. Truly  
 1991 Eberhardt Rechtin  
 1992 James W. Plummer  
 1993 Malcolm Currie  
 1994 Joseph H. Rothenberg  
 1995 Lew Allen  
 1996 Aaron Cohen  
 1997 Albert Wheelon  
 1998 Jimmy D. Hill  
 1999 Peter G. Wilhelm  
 2000 John W. Young  
 2001 Ivan Getting  
 2002 A. Thomas Young  
 2003 George Jeffs  
 2004 E. C. "Pete" Aldridge

2005 John Casani  
 2006 Bradford Parkinson  
 2007 Michael Griffin  
 2008 Charles Elachi  
 2009 Michael Hamel  
 2010 Peter Teets  
 2011 Edward Stone  
 2012 David W. Thompson  
 2013 William Ballhaus, Jr.  
 2014 Glynn Lunney  
 2015 Jean-Jacques Dordain  
 2016 Wanda Austin  
 2017 William Gerstenmaier  
 2018 Gwynne Shotwell  
 2019 John L. Junkins  
 2020 Robert D. Cabana  
 2021 GEN Ellen M. Pawlikowski  
 2022 Kyle T. Alfriend  
 2023 James Webb Space Telescope Team – Charles Atkinson, Lee Feinberg, Jennifer Love-Pruitt, Michael Menzel  
 2024 Michael Hawes  
 2025 Jeff Bezos  
 2026 Indian Space Research Organisation

***Past Recipients of the Goddard Award***

1965 Frank Whittle  
 1966 Hans J. P. von Ohain  
 1966 A. W. Blackman  
 1966 George D. Lewis  
 1967 Robert O. Bullock  
 1967 Irving A. Johnson  
 1967 Seymour Lieblein  
 1968 Donald C. Berkey  
 1968 Ernest C. Simpson  
 1968 James E. Worsham  
 1969 Perry W. Pratt  
 1969 Stanley G. Hooker

1970 Gerhard Neumann  
 1971 no award presented  
 1972 Howard E. Shumacher  
 1972 Brian Brimelow  
 1972 Gary A. Plourde  
 1973 Edward S. Taylor  
 1974 Paul D. Castenholz  
 1974 Richard Mulready  
 1974 John Sloop  
 1975 George Rosen  
 1975 Gordon Holbrook  
 1976 Edward Price

***Past Recipients of the ARS Goddard Memorial Award***

1948 John Shesta	1953 David A. Young	1958 Richard B. Canright
1949 Calvin M. Bolster	1954 A.M.O. Smith	1959 Samuel K. Hoffman
1950 Lovell Lawrence, Jr.	1955 E.N. Hall	1960 Theodore von Kármán
1951 Robert C. Truax	1956 Chandler C. Ross	1961 Wernher von Braun
1952 Richard W. Porter	1957 Thomas F. Dixon	1962 Robert R. Gilruth

**International Cooperation Award**

Honors and Awards Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1988, the International Cooperation Award is presented to recognize an individual/s who have made significant contributions to the initiation, organization, implementation and /or management of activities with significant United States involvement that includes extensive international cooperative activities in space, aeronautics, or both.

The International Cooperation Award Selection Committee selects the awardee and prepares the citation, subject to the approval of the Honors and Awards Committee and the Board of Trustees.

The recipient receives a crystal trophy. This annual award is presented at the choice of the awardee.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1989 Gareth Chang	2000 Richard Petersen	2015 Russell M Cummings
1990 Robert Freitag	2001 George Schmidt	2015 Andreas Schuette
1991 Herbert Friedman	2002 Richard Kline	2016 Simonetta Di Pippo
1992 Richard Barnes	2003 D Brent Smith	2017 John Vassberg
1992 Irving Statler	2004 Margaret Finarelli	2018 Not awarded
1993 Arnauld Nicogossian	2005 Not awarded	2019 Not awarded
1993 Brian Rowe	2006 William Gerstenmaier	2020 Joachim Szodruch
1993 Pierre Alesi	2007 Graham Gibbs	2021 Frank Flechtner, Michael
1994 Burton Edelson	2008 Peter Bainum	A. Gross, Michael M. Watkins,
1994 Robert Burley	2009 John Lamar	Albert Zaglauer
1995 James Harford	2009 Dietrich Hummel	2022 Dominique Collin
1996 Arnold Aldrich	2010 Kenneth D. Hodgkins	2023 Vincent Orlando
1997 John McElroy	2011 Not awarded	2024 Jean-Yves Le Gall
1998 Lynn F Cline	2012 Jean-Michel Contant	2025 Hitoshi Kuninaka
1999 Ian Pryke	2013 Scott Pace	2026 Not awarded
2000 Mireille Gerard	2014 John LaGraff	

**Public Service Award**  
Public Policy Committee

The Public Policy Award Honors a person who has demonstrated sustained and visible support for aviation and space goals.

Nominees may or may not be members of AIAA and should be widely known outside of the aerospace community, should present a positive public image, should support and advocate for the aerospace industry through consistent and visible support of aeronautics and/or astronautics research and development, should demonstrate unhesitant willingness to be identified with aerospace programs/supporters, and should have no personal vested interest in advocacy.

This annual award is presented at the choice of the awardee.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1986 Gene Roddenberry	2000 William Perry	2014 Kathie Olsen
1987 T Wendell Butler	2001 James Sensenbrenner	2015 Ralph M Hall
1988 Barry Goldwater	2002 Curt Weldon	2016 Kay Ivey
1989 V June Scobee	2003 Eilene Galloway	2017 Charles Bolden
1990 Walter Cronkite	2004 Robert Walker	2018 George C. Nield
1991 Douglas Morrow	2005 Harold Gehman	2019 Pamela A. Melroy
1992 Jake Garn	2006 Not awarded	2020 Steve T. Knight
1993 Hugh Downs	2007 David Hobson	2021 Marcia S. Smith
1994 Gerald Baliles	2008 Amanda Wright Lane	2022 HON Lori B. Garver
1995 George Brown	2009 Duncan Copp	2023 Bill Nye
1996 Norman Mineta	2010 Miles O'Brien	2024 Leland Melvin
1997 Michael DeBakey	2011 Richard John	2025 Bhavya Lal
1998 Barbara Mikulski	2012 Not awarded	2026 Thomas Zurbuchen
1999 John Holliman (posthumously)	2013 Neil deGrasse Tyson	

**Reed Aeronautics Award**  
Honors and Awards Committee

The Reed Aeronautics Award is the highest honor an individual can receive for a notable achievement in aeronautics that represents a significant engineering advancement milestone. The award is named after Dr. Sylvanus A. Reed, the aeronautical engineer, designer, and founding member of the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences in 1932. Reed was the first to develop a propeller system composed of metal rather than wood. His aluminum alloy propeller gave Jimmy Doolittle's plane the speed it needed to win the 1925 Schneider Cup race and brought the inventor much credit and many rewards.

The recipient receives a crystal trophy. This annual award is presented at the choice of the awardee.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1977 William C. Dietz	1995 Wolfgang Herbst (posthumously)	2012 Preston Henne
1978 James T. Stewart	1996 Alan Mulally	2013 Paul Kaminski
1979 Paul B. MacCready	1997 George G. Field	2014 Benjamin Zinn
1980 Donald Malvern	1998 Roy V. Harris, Jr.	2015 Ramesh K Agarwal
1981 William R. Sears	1999 James A. Blackwell, Jr.	2016 Earl Dowell
1982 John L. McLucas	2000 Sheila E. Widnall	2017 Edward Greitzer
1983 Robert H. Widmer	2001 Elbert Rutan	2018 Mark Drela
1984 Frederick T. Rall, Jr.	2002 Robert A. K. Mitchell	2019 Philippe R. Spalart
1985 Thomas V. Jones	2003 Dain Hancock	2020 Alan C. Brown
1986 Robert J. Patton	2004 Heinz Erzberger	2021 Michimasa Fujino
1987 R. Richard Heppley	2005 Ralph D. Heath	2022 Peretz P. Friedmann
1988 Brian H. Rowe	2006 Holt Ashley	2023 John S. Langford
1989 John Patierno (posthumously)	2007 Meyer "Mike" Benzakein	2024 Mark S. Miller
1990 Bernard L. Koff	2008 Alain Garcia	2025 Vigor Yang
1991 Richard H. Petersen	2009 Anatol Roshko	2026 Boom Supersonic XB-1 Team
1992 James N. Krebs	2010 Eugene Covert	
1993 Charles A. Zraket	2011 David Peters	
1994 Ben R. Rich		

***Past Recipients of the Sylvanus Albert Reed Award***

1934 C. G. Rossby	1949 George S. Schairer	1966 Clarence L. Johnson
1935 Frank W. Caldwell	1950 Robert R. Gilruth	1967 Adolph Busemann
1936 Edward S. Taylor	1951 E.H. Heinemann	1968 William H. Cook
1937 Eastman N. Jacobs	1952 John Stack	1969 Rene H. Miller
1938 Alfred Victor de Forest	1953 Ernest G. Stout	1970 Richard T. Whitcomb
1939 George J. Mead	1954 Clark B. Millike	1971 Ira Grant Hedrick
1940 Hugh L. Dryden	1955 H. Julien Allen	1972 Max M. Munk
1941 Theodore von Kármán	1956 Clarence L. Johnson	1973 I. Edward Garrick
1942 Igor I. Sikorsky	1957 Raymond L. Bisplinghoff	1974 Willis M. Hawkins
1943 Sanford A. Moss	1958 Victor E. Carbonera	1975 Antonio Ferri
1944 Fred E. Weick	1959 Karel J. Bossart	1976 George Spangenberg
1945 Charles S. Draper	1960 John W. Becker	
1946 Robert T. Jones	1961 Alfred J. Eggers, Jr.	
1946 Harold K. Skramstad	1962 Walter C. Williams	
1947 Galen B. Schubauer	1964 Abe Silverstein	
1948 George W. Brady	1965 Arthur E. Raymond	

## DISTINGUISHED LECTURESHIPS

This category of awards is unique in AIAA's honors and awards program, because not only does it honor particular individuals, it also provides a means for the awardees to share their technological gifts with the AIAA membership and the public at large. These lecturers publicly present the finest thinking and technology in astronautics and aeronautics, and although not mandatory are generally asked to submit a technical paper to accompany the lecture.

The awards in this category represent the general areas of aerospace research, public service, astronautics, and aeronautics. Unless otherwise indicated, the AIAA Honors and Awards Committee selects the lecturer and suggests a topic for the lecture, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees. Each awardee receives a distinctive engraved medal and certificate of citation signed by the AIAA President and Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee.

### *David W. Thompson Lecture in Space Commerce*

Honors and Awards Committee

The David W. Thompson Lecture in Space Commerce Award provides an annual lecture to recognize a prominent industry leader or senior management team (up to three individuals) who have created or grown a space-related business and generated substantial economic benefits and market value. The award is sponsored and endowed by Orbital ATK Inc., (now Orbital ATK, Inc.) to commemorate the long and distinguished career of commercial space pioneer, David W. Thompson.

This annual award is to be presented at the AIAA AVIATION / ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January

#### ***Past Recipients***

2018 Charles R. Trimble  
2019 Eddy W. Hartenstein  
2020 Charlie Ergen  
2021 Walter Scott  
2022 not awarded  
2023 George T. Whitesides  
2024 Sir Martin N. Sweeting  
2025 Jamie Morin  
2026 Tory Bruno

### *Dryden Lecture in Research*

Honors and Awards Committee

The Dryden Lectureship in Research was named in honor of Dr. Hugh L. Dryden in 1967, succeeding the Research Award established in 1960. The Lecture emphasizes the great importance of basic and applied research to the advancement in aeronautics and astronautics and is a salute to research scientists and engineers.

This annual Lecture is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June

#### ***Past Recipients***

1961 James Van Allen	1969 Gerard Kuiper	1977 Abraham Hertzberg
1962 A Theodore Forrester	1970 Bernard Budiansky	1978 Gerald Soffen
1963 Not awarded	1971 Coleman Donaldson	1979 Dean Chapman
1964 Henry Shuey	1972 John Houbolt	1980 Jack Kerrebrock
1965 Wallace Hayes	1973 Herbert Friedman	1981 Herbert Ribner
1966 ShaoChi Lin	1974 Herbert Hardrath	1982 Laurence Young
1967 Edward Price	1975 Antonio Ferri	1983 Edward Stone
1968 Hans Liepmann	1976 Anatol Roshko	1984 Arthur Bryson

1985 Donald Coles	1999 Robert Loewy	2013 Alan H. Epstein
1986 Irvine Glass	2000 Charles Elachi	2014 Mark Lewis
1987 Kenneth Iliff	2001 David Morrison	2015 Ann P. Dowling
1988 William Phillips	2002 Elaine Oran	2016 Robert Liebeck
1989 George Carrier	2003 Wesley Huntress	2017 Israel J. Wygnanski
1990 Seymour Bogdonoff	2004 Ilan Kroo	2018 Graham V. Candler
1991 Vijaya Shankar	2005 R. John Hansman	2019 Joseph A. Schetz
1992 Frederick Billig	2006 Charles McClinton	2020 Raphael Haftka
1993 Joseph Marvin	2007 Berrien Moore	2021 not awarded
1994 Eli Reshotko	2008 Steven Squyres	2022 Anthony M. Waas
1995 Jason Speyer	2009 Peretz Friedmann	2023 Rodney D. Bowersox
1996 John Lumley	2010 Ian Poll	2024 Peyman Givi
1997 Heinz Erzberger	2011 Chung “Ed” Law	2025 Tim C. Lieuwen
1998 Dennis Bushnell	2012 William Schneider	2026 Thomas C. Corke

### **Durand Lecture for Public Service**

Public Policy Committee

The Durand Lectureship, named in honor of William F. Durand, was approved by the Board of Trustees in 1983. It is presented for notable achievements by a scientific or technical leader whose contributions have led directly to the understanding and application of the science and technology of aeronautics and astronautics for the betterment of mankind.

Beginning with the 2013 Lectureship, the AIAA Public Policy Committee selects the lecturer and suggests a topic for the lecture, subject to the approval of the Honors and Awards Committee and Board of Trustees.

The annual lecturer is held in conjunction with the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June

#### ***Past Recipients***

1984 Simon Ramo	2004 Robert Bigelow	2020 Robert D. Braun
1986 Robert Seamans	2013 John R. “Jack” Dailey	2021 David W. Thompson
1988 Donald Hearth	2014 Scott Pace	2022 William H. Gerstenmaier
1990 Konrad Dannenberg	2015 Michael Wynne	2023 Wesley L. Harris
1992 Eugene Covert	2016 Ronald Sega	2024 not presented
1994 A Richard Seebass	2017 France A. Cordova	2025 Kevin G. Bowcutt
1996 Sheila Widnall	2018 C.D. Mote, Jr.	2026 Brian Argrow
1998 Norman Augustine	2019 Douglas Loverro	

### **von Kármán Lecture in Astronautics**

Honors and Awards Committee

In 1975, the Institute changed the name of the von Kármán Lecture to the von Kármán Lectureship in Astronautics. Honoring Theodore von Kármán, world famous authority on aerospace sciences, the von Kármán Lectureship in Astronautics recognizes an individual who has performed notably and distinguished himself technically in the field of astronautics.

This annual Lecture is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION/ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January

#### ***Past Recipients***

1962 Hugh Dryden	1967 Lester Lees	1972 Eugene Love
1963 Not awarded	1968 William Sears	1973 Alan Lovelace
1964 Arthur Kantrowitz	1969 Courtland Perkins	1974 Harris Schurmeier
1965 Raymond Bisplinghoff	1970 Erik Mollo-Christensen	1975 I Edward Garrick
1966 Nicholas Hoff	1971 Irmgard Flugge-Lotz	1976 Not awarded

1977 Joseph Charyk	1993 Jim Abrahamson	2009 William Saylor
1978 Robert Fuhrman	1994 Arthur Bryson	2010 Eileen Collins
1979 Chris Kraft	1995 Eugene Kranz	2011 Robert Braun
1980 Daniel Fink	1996 Bradford Parkinson	2012 William Gerstenmaier
1981 Bruce Murray	1997 John Junkins	2013 James Crocker
1982 Willis Hawkins	1998 Thomas Moorman	2014 Antonio L. Elias
1983 George Jeffs	1999 John Casani	2015 Robert Q. Fugate
1984 Aaron Cohen	1999 Edward Stone	2016 Vigor Yang
1984 Bob Thompson	2000 John Anderson	2017 Samuel C.C. Ting
1985 Eberhardt Rechtin	2001 Roald Sagdeev	2018 Christopher J. Scolese
1986 Albert Wheelon	2002 Earl Dowell	2019 Salvatore "Tory" Bruno
1987 Lew Allen	2003 Brewster Shaw	2020 Thomas Zurbuchen
1988 John Yardley	2004 G. Scott Hubbard	2021 David M. Van Wie
1989 Richard Battin	2005 William Ballhaus, Jr.	2022 Kathleen Howell
1990 Alvin Seiff	2006 Paul Spudis	2023 Joseph Majdalani
1991 John Casani	2007 Jean-Jacques Dordain	2024 Dante S. Lauretta
1992 Hans Mark	2008 Edward Weiler	2026 Maruthi Akella

### **William Littlewood Memorial Lecture**

Jointly sponsored by AIAA and SAE

The William Littlewood Memorial Lecture provides for an annual lecture dealing with a broad phase of civil air transportation considered of current interest and major importance. The objective is to advance air transport engineering and to recognize those who make personal contributions to the field. The award perpetuates the memory of William Littlewood, the only person ever to be president of both AIAA and SAE. He was renowned for his contributions to the design of, and operational requirements for, civil transport aircraft. Many of his friends requested SAE and AIAA to sponsor a series of lectures to be known as the "William Littlewood Memorial Lecture."

This annual Lecture is presented by AIAA in even-numbered years at the AIAA AVIATION / ASCEND Forum and is presented by SAE in odd-numbered years at their AeroTech Congress & Exhibition. The awardee receives a framed certificate. Administration of the award resides with SAE. Nominations should be submitted to <http://www.sae.org/news/awards/list/littlewood/>

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January

### ***Past Recipients***

1971 Peter Masefield	1987 Scott Flower	2004 John McMasters
1972 John Borger	1988 Donald Hettermann	2005 Robert Doll
1973 Richard Jackson	1989 Ernst Simon	2006 Klaus Nittinger
1974 Edward Wells	1990 Joseph Sutter	2007 Preston Henne
1975 Gerhard Neumann	1991 Bernard Koff	2008 Earll Murman
1976 Raymond Kelly	1992 C. Julian May	2009 Ramesh Agarwal
1976 Franklin Kolk	1993 James Worsham	2010 N. Albert Moussa
1979 Willis Hawkins	1994 R. Dixon Speas	2011 Mark Drela
1980 Norman Parmet	1995 Robert Davis	2012 John-Paul B. Clark
1982 Paul Besson	1998 Ronald Ostrowski	2013 Ken Highlander
1983 John Brizendine	1998 Richard Taylor	2014 Axel Krein
1984 Robert Rummel	1998 Dale Warren	2015 Charla Wise
1985 Paul Johnstone	2000 John Cashman	2016 Gareth Williams
1986 Jon McDonald	2001 Louis Marcini	2018 R. K. Nangia

### **Wright Brothers Lecture in Aeronautics**

Honors and Awards Committee

The Wright Brothers Lectureship in Aeronautics commemorates the accomplishment of the Wright Brothers in creating the first practical airplane and also recognizes the success of their approach to problem solving - beginning with study of the literature, and including innovative thinking, constructive debate, systematic testing, and teamwork. In particular, the Wright Brothers Lectureship is awarded for the recent accomplishment of a significant "First in Aeronautical Engineering".

The lecture will highlight the details of the accomplishment and the approaches to meeting both the technical and programmatic challenges involved. The lecturer will be invited to write an article for publication in the AIAA Journal of Aircraft.

The Lecture is presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) at the AIAA AVIATION/ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January

#### ***Past Recipients***

1937 B. Melvill Jones	1966 C. Stark Draper	1992 Sherman Mullin
1938 Hugh Dryden	1967 Philippe Poisson-Quinton	1993 German Zagainov
1939 Clark Millikan	1968 Charles Harper	1994 Paul Rubbert
1940 Svete Pettersen	1969 Pierre Satre	1994 Robert Buley
1941 Richard Southwell	1970 F. Allen Cleveland	1995 Robert Smith
1942 Edmund Allen	1971 Robert Lickley	1996 Philip Condit
1943 W. S. Farren	1972 Franklin Kolk	1997 Eugene Covert
1945 H. Roxbee Cox	1973 H. Schlichting	1998 Frank Marble
1946 Theodore von Karman	1974 A. M. O. Smith	1999 Edward Curran
1947 Sydney Goldstein	1975 Henri Ziegler	2000 Kenneth Szalai
1948 Abe Silverstein	1976 John Atwood	2001 Robert Liebeck
1949 A. E. Russell	1977 Gero Madelung	2002 Not awarded
1950 William Bollay	1978 George Litchford	2003 Not awarded
1951 P. B. Walker	1979 Jack Nielsen	2004 Not awarded
1952 William Littlewood	1980 Bernard Etkin	2005 Not awarded
1953 Glenn Martin	1981 Holt Ashley	2006 Not awarded
1954 Bo Lundberg	1982 Jack Steiner	2007 David Widauf
1955 Ross Bisplinghoff	1983 Edward Polhamus	2009 Paul Bevilaqua
1956 Arnold Hall	1984 George Cooper	2011 Michael Francis
1957 H. Julian Allen	1984 Robert Harper	2013 Thomas Cogan
1958 Maurice Roy	1985 John Utterstrom	2015 Pablo Gonzalez
1959 Alexander Flax	1986 Lewis Brown	2017 Solar Impulse2
1960 A. W. Quick	1986 Dwain Deets	2019 Justin D. Paines
1961 Robert Jastrow	1987 John Swihart	2020 Not awarded
1962 James Lighthill	1988 Ben Rich	2021 Walter H. Rutledge
1963 Not awarded	1989 Roy Harris	2023 Larry A. Young
1964 George Schairer	1990 Ivan Yates	2025 Susan X. Ying
1965 Gordon Patterson	1991 Irving Waaland	

### **Yvonne C. Brill Lectureship in Aerospace Engineering**

AIAA with participation and support of NAE

Named in honor of pioneering rocket scientist Yvonne C. Brill, this Lectureship emphasizes significant contributions in aerospace research and/or engineering. The recipient shall be selected on the basis of technical expertise, originality, and influence on other important aerospace issues such as ensuring a diverse and robust engineering community. Topics for the Lecture include but are not limited to: research or engineering issues for space travel and exploration, aerospace education of students and the public and professional development and recognition.

This biennial Lecture is presented by AIAA and NAE in even-numbered years, and held at the NAE Headquarters in Washington , D.C. in conjunction with the NAE Annual Meeting.

➤ Nomination Deadline: 15 January (even-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

2014 Adam Steltzner

2016 Wanda Austin

2018 Helen L. Reed

2020 Alejandro Miguel San

Martin

2022 Robert D. Braun

2024 Penina Axelrad

2026 Marilyn Smith

## PUBLICATION AWARDS

Aerospace science and technology is recorded and handed down to students, scholars, historians, practicing professionals, and the general public primarily through the written word. To honor those who record aerospace science and technology for their literary contributions to aeronautics and astronautics, AIAA established the publication award category. Recipients receive a distinctive engraved medal and certificate of citation signed by the AIAA President and Honors and Awards Chair.

### *Children's Literature Award*

K-12 STEM Committee

The Children's Literature Award is presented for an outstanding, significant, and original book in aeronautics and astronautics published within the last 2 years.

- This award has been discontinued.

#### ***Past Recipients***

2009 Mary Kay Carson	2017 Andrea Beaty
2011 Mary Kay Carson	2019 not presented
2013 Not awarded	2021 Billie Holladay Skelley
2015 Margaret A Weitekamp	2023 Clayton C. Amderson

### *Elementary (K-6th Grade) Children's Literature Award*

K-12 STEM Committee

The Elementary (K-6th Grade) Children's Literature Award is presented for an outstanding, significant, and original contribution in aeronautics and astronautics literature for youth.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech) but may be presented at the AIAA Forum which matches the focus of the selected literature.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years)

#### ***Past Recipients***

2026 Lauren Bezos

### *Gardner-Lasser Aerospace History Literature Award*

History Committee

The Gardner-Lasser Aerospace History Literature Award is presented for the best original contribution to the field of aeronautical or astronautical non-fiction literature published in the last five years dealing with the science, technology, and/or impact of aeronautics or astronautics on society. It honors David Lasser, an editor of science fiction stories who is considered to be the guiding spirit of the founders of the American Interplanetary Society and its first president, and Lester Durand Gardner, publisher of Aviation and Aeronautical Engineering (which later became Aviation Week and Space Technology) and the founder of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences. The American Interplanetary Society (later known as the American Rocket Society) and Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences merged to form the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech) but may be presented at the AIAA Forum which matches the focus of the selected literature.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June

#### ***Past Recipients***

2002 John Anderson	2007 Richard Hallion	2011 James R. Hanson
2003 Anne Millbrooke	2008 Peter Westwick	2012 John Logsdon
2003 William Trimble	2009 Kenneth Lipartito	2013 David Mindell
2004 Michael Gorn	2009 Orville Butler	2014 William J. Clancey
2005 Thomas Crouch	2010 J. D. Hunley	2015 Dennis R. Jenkins
2006 James Hansen	2011 Allan J. McDonald	2016 Monique Laney

2017 John Logsdon  
2018 Margot Lee Shetterly  
2019 Valerie Neal  
2020 Jeremy R. Kinney

2021 Slava Gerovitch  
2022 John M. Logsdon  
2023 Diane Vaughan  
2024 Margaret A. Weitekamp

2025 Michael W. Hankins  
2026 Sean Seyer

### **History Manuscript Award**

History Committee

The History Manuscript Award is presented for the best historical manuscript dealing with the science, technology, and/or impact of aeronautics and astronautics on society. The purpose of the award is to provide professional recognition to an author who makes a major and original contribution to the history of aeronautics or astronautics.

- This award is now discontinued.

#### ***Past Recipients***

1969 Milton Lomask  
1969 Constance McLaughlin Green  
1971 Richard Lukas  
1972 Richard Smith  
1973 William Leary  
1975 Richard Hallion  
1977 Thomas Crouch  
1978 Edward Ezell  
1979 Roger Bilstein  
1980 Richard Hirsh  
1981 E. J. W. Gregory  
1984 Scott Pace  
1987 James Hansen  
1987 Fred Weick  
1993 Donald Elder  
1994 E. Ralph Rundell  
1995 Michael Neufeld  
1997 Joseph Tartarewicz

1998 Asif Siddiqi  
1999 Deborah Douglas  
2000 William Barry  
2001 Andrew Dunar  
2001 Stephen Waring  
2001 Dik Daso  
2002 Andrew Butrica  
2003 Roger Launius  
2004 Erik Conway  
2004 Mark Bowles  
2004 Virginia Dawson  
2005 Mark Bowles  
2006 John Hunley  
2007 Thor Hogan  
2008 Douglas Mudgway  
2009 Erik Conway  
2010 Mark Bowles  
2011 Roger D. Launius

2011 Dennis R. Jenkins  
2012 R. Cargill Hall  
2013 Bruce Larrimer  
2014 Lawrence R Benson  
2015 Frederick A Johnsen  
2016 Alexander MacDonald  
2017 Layne Karafantis  
2018 Amy Kaminiski  
2019 Anthony Chong  
2020 Glen R. Asner and Stephen Garber  
2021 Not awarded  
2022 Not awarded  
2023 Cathleen Susan Lewis  
2024 Aaron M. Bateman  
2025 Not awarded  
2026 Not awarded

### **Middle/High School (7-12th Grade) Children's Literature Award**

K-12 STEM Committee

The Middle/High School (7-12th Grade) Children's Literature Award is presented for an outstanding, significant, and original contribution in aeronautics and astronautics literature for young people.

The award is presented biennially (odd-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (even-numbered years)

#### ***Past Recipients***

### **Pendray Aerospace Literature Award**

Publications Committee

The Pendray Aerospace Literature Award is named in honor of Dr. G. Edward Pendray, a founder and past president of the American Rocket Society. The award is presented for an outstanding contribution or contributions to aeronautical and astronautical literature in the relatively recent past. The emphasis should be upon the high quality or major influence of the piece rather than, for example, the importance of the underlying technological contribution. The award is an incentive for aerospace professionals to write eloquently and persuasively about their field and should encompass editorials as well as papers or books.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June

***Past Recipients***

1951 George P. Sutton	1975 William Sears	2002 George P. Sutton
1952 Maurice Zuckrow	1976 Stanford Penner	2003 Wei Shyy
1953 T. S. Tsien	1977 George Leitmann	2004 Chung Law
1954 Martin Summerfield	1978 A. Kuethe	2005 Sebastien Candel
1955 Walter Dornberger	1979 Henry Kelley	2006 Christopher Tam
1956 Hermann Oberth	1980 Fred E Culick	2007 Alexander Smits
1957 Grayson Merrill	1981 Robert Hotz	2008 Vigor Yang
1958 Homer Newell	1982 Angelo Miele	2009 Kenneth Kuo
1959 Ali Cambel	1983 Marvin Goldstein	2010 Mosche Matalon
1960 Luigi Crocco	1984 Leonard Meirovitch	2011 William F. Milliken, Jr.
1961 Krafft Ehrlicke	1985 Warren Strahle	2012 Robert F. Stengel
1962 Howard Seifert	1986 Wayne Johnson	2013 Ronald Probst
1963 Not awarded	1987 Richard Battin	2014 Wassim Haddad
1964 Andrew Haley	1988 Gordon Oates (posthumously)	2015 Antony Jameson
1965 Dinsmore Alter	1989 Budugur Lakshimarayana	2016 David K Schmidt
1966 Antoni Oppenheim	1990 John Junkins	2017 Ashwani Gupta
1967 Robert Gross	1991 William Sirignano	2018 Josette R. Bellan
1968 Arthur Bryson	1992 J Przemieniecki	2019 Naira Hovakimyan
1969 Not awarded	1993 Forman Williams	2020 Russell M. Cummings
1970 Wilmont Hess	1995 Ali Nayfeh	2021 Tim C. Lieuwen
1971 Nicholas Hoff	1996 John Anderson	2022 Not awarded
1972 Edward Price	1997 Joseph Schetz	2023 Balakumar Balachandran
1973 Marcus Heidmann	1998 Satya Atluri	2024 Ann P. Dowling
1973 Richard Priem	1999 Vinod Modi	2025 Joseph M. Powers
1974 Frederick Ordway	2000 Ben Zinn	2026 Not awarded

**Summerfield Book Award**

Publications Committee

The Summerfield Book Award is named in honor of Dr. Martin Summerfield, founder and initial editor of the Progress in Astronautics and Aeronautics series of books published by the AIAA. The award is presented to the author of the best book recently published (within the last five years) by AIAA.

- This award is now discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1997 Gordon Oates (posthumously)	2006 Steven Morris	2014 Not awarded
1998 Not awarded	2006 David Bossert	2015 Not awarded
1999 William Heiser	2006 Wayne Hallgren	2016 Not awarded
1999 David Pratt	2007 Robert Ball	2017 Not awarded
2000 Daniel Raymer	2008 James French	2018 Leland M. Nicolai
2001 Paul Zarchan	2008 Michael Griffin	2019 Jack D. Mattingly and Keith M. Boyer
2002 Richard Battin	2009 Not awarded	2020 Steve A. Brandt
2003 Joshua Hopkins	2010 Not awarded	2021 John D. Anderson
2003 Joseph Hopkins	2011 Bradford W. Parkinson	2022 Willie Costa, Donald L. Enberg
2003 Steven Isakowitz	2011 James J. Spilker, Jr.	2023 Not awarded
2004 Not awarded	2011 Penina Axelrad	2024 Jeffrey W. Hamstra
2005 William Heiser	2011 Per K. Enge	2025 Not awarded
2005 Jack Mattingly	2012 Not awarded	2026 Not awarded
2005 David Pratt	2013 Hanspeter Schaub	
2006 Thomas Yechout	2013 John Junkins	

## SERVICE AWARDS

While the Institute is measured by the distinguished professional performance of its members, and the technical advances in the aerospace sciences that it promotes through publications and conferences, much of the Institute's success is the result of dedicated performance by individual members. The awards bestowed in this category recognize these outstanding performances and contributions.

### ***Mary W. Jackson Award***

Diversity Working Group/Honors and awards Committee

This award recognizes an individual or group within AIAA who has devoted time and effort and made significant contributions to the advancement of diversity and inclusion within the Institute. It also seeks to raise awareness on the value of a diverse membership and inclusive environment, and of important and challenging issues pertaining to diversity and inclusion in the aerospace workforce at large.

This award also seeks to bring champions of diversity and inclusion at AIAA to the attention of its members as inspirational figures and enablers of opportunities for successful careers in aerospace. Lastly, this award seeks to inspire other members to engage in activities that will promote the Institute's diversity and inclusion. Further information about the award can be found at [www.aiaa.org/Diversity-and-Inclusion-AwardBrief/](http://www.aiaa.org/Diversity-and-Inclusion-AwardBrief/).

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline June 1

2018 AIAA Guidance Navigation and Control Technical Committee

2019 Susan Frost

2020 Charles Wilson

2021 Dexter Johnson

2022 Eric Holmes

2023 Eric Ruggiero

2024 Amanda R. Simpson

2025 Karen A. Thole

2026 Not awarded

### ***Sustained Service Award***

The Sustained Service Award is presented to recognize sustained, significant service and contributions to AIAA by members of the Institute. The nominee/recipient must be a member in good standing who has shown continuing dedication to the interests of the Institute by making significant and sustained contributions over a period of time, typically 10 years or more. Active participation and service at the local section/regional level, and/or the national level is a potential discriminator in the evaluation of candidates.

A maximum of 20 awards are presented each year. These annual awards are presented at a Forum or activity with which the recipient is most associated or active, or may be presented by the recipient's local AIAA section at an appropriate section event. A nomination form, scoresheet and additional information (no more than one page) that provides details to substantiate the scores for various activities is required. Nominees must score a minimum of 100 points on the score sheet. Letters of endorsement are not required for this award. Members of the AIAA Board of Trustees are not eligible for this award until their term of service ends.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 July

### ***Past Recipients***

#### **2015**

J. Philip Drummond

Jeffrey D. Flamm

Stephen A. Rizzi

Christopher L. Rumsey

Arloe W. Mayne

David H. Klyde

#### **2016**

Dale Pitt

Marc Polanka

Richard Wahls

#### **2017**

Marc Polanka

Dale Pitt

Richard Wahls

#### **2018**

Marty K. Bradley

Bob Greene

Larry Leavitt

Bob Stuever

**2019**

Marty Bradley  
Timothy Dominick  
Mark Melanson  
Anthony Springer  
Randy Truman

**2020**

Nancy F. Andersen  
Brett Bednarczyk  
Cassandra Dellinger  
Chris Jenkins  
L. Michael Freeman  
Jeffrey W. Hamstra  
Christopher H. Jenkins  
Mohammad J. Khan  
Joseph R. Marshall, Jr.  
Eric Pencil  
Denise S. Ponchak  
Oleg Yakimenko

**2021**

Willem A. Anemaat  
Kevin R. Burns  
Terry J. Burress  
Dean E. Davis  
Jeanette L. Domber  
Mat O. French  
John C. Hsu  
Michel D. Ingham  
Vickie S. Johnson  
James A. Keenan

Ronald J. Kohl  
David W. Levy  
Frank K. Lu  
Dimitri N. Mavris  
Andrew J. Neely  
K. Ravindra  
Joseph A. Schetz  
Elana Slagle  
Mitchell L. Walker II

**2022**

Joao Luiz F. Azevedo  
Steven J. Beresh  
Carlos Cesnik  
John R. Chawner  
Peyman Givi  
Farzad Mashayek  
Eric Ruggiero  
Timothy T. Takahashi  
Charles F. Wilson

**2023**

David L. Carroll  
John W. Daily  
Luisella Giulicchi  
Walter O. Gordon  
Dawn Phillips  
Sidra Silton

**2024**

Ronald M. Barrett-Gonzalez  
John W. Dankanich  
Stanley D. Ferguson  
Kenneth Lui  
Anastasios S. Lyrantzis

Lawrence W. Stephens  
Marilee J. Wheaton

**2025**

Steven X. Bauer  
Gene R. Dionne  
Trevor S. Elliott  
David C. Fleming  
Aaron L. Harcrow  
Christopher J. Pestak  
Robert W. Pitz

**2026**

Melissa Carter  
David Casbeer  
Wayne Hurwitz  
Elizabeth Lee-Rausch  
Michael Oppenheimer  
Kerri Phillips  
Joshua Rovey  
Todd Treichel

## TECHNICAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

This award category honors significant achievement in specific fields of aerospace technical expertise. To enable that the most current and appropriate candidates are identified, the respective AIAA committee/group for each field conducts the award and selection process for awards in this category. In addition for a few awards, AIAA is pleased to partner with other technical societies.

Unless otherwise indicated, award recipients receive an engraved medal and certificate of citation signed by the AIAA President and Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee.

### *Aeroacoustics Award*

Aeroacoustics Technical Committee

The Aeroacoustics Award was established in 1973 and is presented for an outstanding technical or scientific achievement resulting from an individual's contribution to the field of aircraft community noise reduction.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum for two consecutive years, followed the next year by presentation at a CEAS designated venue.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / References Deadline: 1 November

#### ***Past Recipients***

1975 Michael Lighthill	1996 Feri Farassat	2012 Not awarded
1976 Herbert Ribner	1997 Albert George	2013 Not awarded
1977 John Flowcs Williams	1998 John Seiner	2014 Edward J Rice
1979 Harvey Hubbard	1999 Philip Morris	2015 Nigel Peake
1980 Alan Powell	2000 Hafiz Atassi	2016 Sanjiva K Lele
1981 Thomas Sofrin	2001 Michael Howe	2017 Dimitri Papamoschou
1982 Not awarded	2002 Christopher Morfey	2018 Tim Colonius
1983 Marvin Goldstein	2003 Thomas Brooks	2019 William J. Devenport
1984 Geoffrey Lilley	2004 Stewart Glegg	2020 Robert P. Dougherty
1986 David Crighton	2005 Michael Fisher	2021 Ephraim J. Gutmark
1987 Christopher Tam	2006 Roy Amiet	2022 Kenneth S. Brentner
1988 Krishnamurty Karamacheti	2007 Not awarded	2023 Yueping Guo
1990 Philip Doak	2008 Walter Eversman	2024 Krishna Viswanathan
1992 Alfons Michalke	2009 Ramani Mani	2025 Anastasios S Lyrantzis
1993 Krishan Ahuja	2010 Dennis McLaughlin	2026 Stephen A. Rizzi
1995 Donald Hanson	2011 Martin V Lowson	

### *Aerodynamic Measurement Technology Award*

Aerodynamic Measurement Technology Technical Committee

The Aerodynamic Measurement Technology Award was approved by Board of Directors in 1995 and is presented for continued contributions and achievements toward the advancement of advanced aerodynamics flowfield and surface measurement techniques for research in flight and ground test applications.

Since inception this award was presented biennially in even years; beginning in 2017, it will be presented biennially (in even-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / References Deadline: 1 July (odd-numbered years)

#### ***Past Recipients***

1996 Ronald Hanson	2008 Robert Lucht	2019 Markus Alden
1998 Robert McKenzie	2010 Walter Lempert	2022 Noel T. Clemens
2000 Richard Miles	2012 John Sullivan	2024 Paul M. Danehy
2002 Ronald Adrian	2014 Alexander J Smits	2026 Mark P Wernet
2004 James Trolinger	2016 Alan C. Eckbreth	
2006 Larry Goss	2017 Joseph A. Schetz	

### **Aerodynamics Award**

Applied Aerodynamics Technical Committee

The Aerodynamic Measurement Technology Award was approved by Board of Directors in 1995 and is presented for continued contributions and achievements toward the advancement of advanced aerodynamics flowfield and surface measurement techniques for research in flight and ground test applications.

Formerly presented in even-numbered years, beginning in 2017, this award is presented annually and generally at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / References Deadline: 1 November

#### ***Past Recipients***

1983 John Lamar	1998 M Spearman	2013 Neal Frink
1984 Lars Ericsson	1999 Frank Lynch	2014 Michael Selig
1985 Forrester Johnson	2000 C. Edward Lan	2015 Russell M Cummings
1986 Bruce Holmes	2001 Gerald Winchenbach	2016 Pieter Buning
1987 Robert Liebeck	2002 Richard Campbell	2017 John A. Benek
1988 William Henderson	2003 Thomas Mueller	2018 Kenneth Hall
1989 Edward Tinoco	2004 Jean Delery	2019 Robert D. Gregg III
1990 Hans Grellmann	2005 Robert Hall	2020 Mark D. Maughmer
1991 Norman Malmuth	2006 William Blake	2021 Scott A. Morton
1992 Joe Thompson	2007 Michael Bragg	2022 Marilyn J. Smith
1993 Tuncer Cebeci	2008 Ramesh Agarwal	2023 Roy J. Hartfield, Jr.
1994 Heinz Gerhardt	2009 Jubaraj Sahu	2024 Not awarded
1995 Lawrence Putnam	2010 Thomas Corke	2025 Richard A Wahls
1996 Jan Tulinius	2011 Preston A Henne	2026 Walt Silva
1997 Werner Dahm	2012 John C. Vassberg	

### **Aerospace Communications Award**

Communications Systems Technical Committee

The Aerospace Communications Award is presented for an outstanding contribution in the field of aerospace communications. Candidates are individuals or small teams (up to 4 members) whose achievements have had a positive impact on technology and society.

This award is presented annually at the AIAA International Communications Satellite Systems Conference (ICSSC).

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January / Reference Deadline: 1 February

#### ***Past Recipients***

1968 Harold Rosen	1986 C. Louis Cuccia	2001 Takashi Iida
1968 Donald Williams	1988 Burton Edelson	2002 Neil Helm
1969 Eberhardt Rehtin	1990 John Keigler	2003 Krishna Pande
1970 Edmund Habib	1992 Tadahiro Sekimoto	2004 Yasuo Hirata
1971 Siegfried Reiger	1994 Rene Collette	2005 Chandra Kudsia
1972 Wilbur Pritchard	1996 Robert Berry	2006 Denis Curtin
1974 Arthur Clark	1998 Iridium Team, Motorola: Bary Bertiger, Ray Leopold, Ken Peterson, Mikhail Reshetnev (posthumously)	2007 Robert Briskman
1976 Robert Garbarini	1999 Richard Gedney	2008 Mark Dankberg
1978 Leonard Jaffe	2000 Joseph Sivo	2009 Calvin Cotner
1980 Irwin Jacobs		2010 Harvey Berger
1980 Andrew Viterbi		2011 Jack Holmes
1982 W. Ray Morgan		2012 Philip Rubin
1984 Sidney Metzger		2013 Anthony Tether

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2014 Peter Garland  
2015 Edward W Ashford  
2016 Christopher Hoerber  
2017 Stuart T. Linsky  
2018 John Baras

2019 Michel S. Bousquet  
2020 Badri Younes  
2021 Pradman P. Kaul  
2022 Riccardo de Gaudenzi  
2023 Paul T. Thompson

2024 Barry G. Evans  
2025 Rod G Fleck  
2026 not awarded

### **Aerospace Contribution to Society Award**

The Aerospace Contribution to Society Award, established in 1977, was presented to recognize a notable contribution to society through the application of aerospace technology to societal needs. This award was discontinued in 2005.

#### ***Past Recipients***

1978 Elmer Wheaton  
1979 Richard Johnston  
1980 Seymour Stein  
1981 Louis Mogavero  
1982 William Smith  
1983 Richard Davies

1984 Ralph Nash  
1985 Kenneth Taylor  
1986 Robert Giffen  
1987 E. Muntz  
1988 Ronald Stivers  
1989 Lee Collegeman

1990 Arthur Kantrowitz  
1993 James Rose  
1995 Geoffrey Bentley  
1998 Alan Pope  
1999 Joseph Schetz  
2001 Bradford Parkinson

### **Aerospace Design Engineering Award**

Design Engineering Technical Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1992, the Aerospace Design Engineering Award was established to recognize design engineers who have made outstanding technical, educational or creative achievements that exemplifies the quality and elements of design engineering.

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 July (odd-numbered years)

#### ***Past Recipients***

1993 Ernest Thomas  
1994 Paul Hoekstra  
1995 Mason Chew  
1996 Joseph Burge  
1997 Siamak Ghofranian  
1998 Boeing/NASA X-36 Team  
2000 George Bullen  
2002 Norval Burgy

2004 Maynard Stangeland  
2006 Not awarded  
2008 Alan Wiechman  
2010 Charles Hall  
2012 Ronald Hughes  
2014 Michael A Benjamin  
2016 Boeing Hypersonic Design/MDAO Team

2018 NASA Boeing PRSEUS Development and Test Team  
2020 Not awarded  
2022 Michael Buonanno  
2023 Not awarded  
2024 Not awarded  
2025 Not awarded  
2026 Not awarded

### **Aerospace Guidance, Navigation, and Control Award**

Guidance, Navigation and Control Technical Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1998, the Aerospace Guidance, Navigation and Control Award was established to recognize an individual who has made important and sustained contributions in the field of guidance, navigation and control.

This award is considered to be a lifetime achievement award and is presented biennially (in even years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 July (odd-numbered years)

#### ***Past Recipients***

2000 Arthur Bryson  
2002 Richard Battin  
2004 Duane McRuer

2006 John Junkins  
2008 F. Landis Markley  
2010 Anthony Calise

2012 Jason L. Speyer  
2014 Bernard Etkin  
2016 Kyle T. Alfriend

2018 Mark Balas  
2020 Not awarded

2021 Not awarded  
2022 Siva S. Banda

2024 Not awarded  
2026 Kathleen C. Howell

### **Aerospace Maintenance Award**

This award was first presented in 1987 to an individual who has made a major contribution to the aerospace maintenance discipline (AVIATION / ASCEND, missile and space) resulting in a significant improvement in operational and cost effectiveness. The intent was to recognize an individual who has developed and implemented new maintenance concepts and has been instrumental in the resolution of key aerospace issues.

This award was discontinued in 2005.

#### ***Past Recipients***

1987 James D. Van Hoften  
1988 Frank Cepollina  
1989 Henry Hall  
1990 Larry Anderson  
1991 Frank Krantz

1992 Lewis Israelitt  
1993 Martin Smih  
1994 James Van Laak  
1995 Ronald Sheffield  
1996 David Wensits

2001 Edward Henderson  
2002 Stephen Pauly  
2002 Frank Robinson

### **Aerospace Power Systems Award**

Aerospace Power Systems Technical Committee

The Aerospace Power Systems Award, established in 1981, is presented for a significant contribution in the broad field of aerospace power systems, specifically as related to the application of engineering sciences and systems engineering to the production, storage, distribution, and processing of aerospace power.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

#### ***Past Recipients***

1982 Theodore Ebersole  
1983 Hans Rauschenbach  
1984 Stephen Gaston  
1985 William Dunbar  
1986 Gary Turner  
1987 Gerrit Van Ommering  
1988 Charles Badcock  
1989 William Billerbeck  
1990 Voyager/Galileo RTG Team  
1991 Frederick Betz  
1992 Sanjiv Kamath  
1993 G. Ernest Rodriguez  
1994 Lowell Massie  
1995 Richard Hemler  
1995 James Lombardo  
1995 Gary Bennett

1996 Vincent Truscello  
1997 Jack Brill  
1998 Richard Quigley Jr.  
1999 Clyde Bankston  
2000 Bruce Anspaugh  
2001 Chuck Lurie  
2002 Paul Dick  
2002 Ronald Sovie  
2003 Paul Dick  
2004 Dean Marvin  
2005 David Landis  
2006 Richard Shaltens  
2007 James Haines  
2008 Douglas Allen  
2009 Paul Stella  
2010 Edward Gaddy

2011 Albert Zimmerman  
2012 Robert L Wiley  
2013 Geoffrey Landis  
2014 Not awarded  
2015 Theodore G Stern  
2016 Henry W Brandhorst, Jr  
2017 Thomas Kerslake  
2018 Peter Carian  
2019 Judith Jeevarajan  
2020 Charles William Bennett  
2021 Robert J. Walters  
2022 Not awarded  
2023 Not awarded  
2024 Not awarded  
2025 Margot Wasz

### **Aerospace Software Engineering Award**

Sponsors: Software Technical Committee

The Aerospace Software Engineering Award is presented for outstanding technical and/or management contributions to aeronautical or astronautical software engineering.

Initially presented annually, beginning in 2007 this award is presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 July (even-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

1989 Daniel McNicholl	Kapil Sheth, Karl Bilimoria, Shon Grabel, Gano Chatterji, and Daniel Mulfinger
1991 Christine Anderson	
1993 Watts Humphrey	2011 Paul D Nielsen
1995 Francis McGarry	2013 Barry Boehm
1999 Merlin Dorfman	2015 Karen Gundy-Burlet
2001 Donald Reifer	2017 Lyle Long
2003 Not awarded	2019 Scott Morton
2005 Not awarded	2021 Not awarded
2007 Mark Tischler, Kenny Chung	2023 Elizabeth T. Walker
Sean Shan-Min Swei, Chad Frost	2025 Not awarded
2009 FACET Team: Banavar Sridhar	2026 Margot L Wasz

***AIAA-ASC James H. Starnes, Jr. Award***

Jointly sponsored by AIAA and ASC

In honor of James H. Starnes, a leader in fields of structures and materials, the award is presented to recognize continued significant contribution to and demonstrated promotion of the field of structural mechanics over an extended period of time emphasizing practical solutions, to acknowledge high professionalism, and to acknowledge the strong mentoring of and influence on colleagues.

The award is sponsored by the American Society of Composites (ASC) and AIAA and presented every four years generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech). Administration of the award resides with AIAA. Nomination Instructions and Form <http://www.aiaa.org/starnesaward/>

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June 2028/ Reference deadline: 1 July 2028

**Past Recipients**

2009 Rafael Haftka	2017 Anthony M. Waas
2009 C. T. Sun	2021 David Bushnell
2013 Michael Hyer	2025 Paul M. Weaver
2013 Keith Kedward	

***Air Breathing Propulsion Award***

Jointly Sponsored by the Air Breathing Propulsion Systems Integration Technical Committee, Gas Turbine Engines Technical Committee, High Speed Air Breathing Propulsion Technical Committee and Propellants & Combustion Technical Committee

Established in 1975, the Air Breathing Propulsion Award is presented for meritorious accomplishment in the arts, sciences, and technology of air breathing propulsion systems.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1976 Frederick Rall	1985 Robert Hawkins	1993 Thomas Dubell
1977 Edward Woll	1986 Frank Pickering	1994 Budugur Lakshminarayana
1978 William Blatz	1987 Gordon Oates (posthumously)	1995 Thomas Auxier
1979 Arthur Wennerstrom	1988 William Heiser	1996 Louis Povinelli
1980 Melvin Hartman	1989 Raymond Stanahar	1997 H Lee Beach
1981 Fred McFee	1990 John Curry	1998 Joseph Schetz
1982 William Sens	1990 Thomas Sims	1999 Allen Novick
1983 Donald Bahr	1991 Frank Wallace	2000 Charles McClinton
1984 Bernard Koff	1992 Donald Dix	2001 John Adamczyk

2002 Richard Rivir  
2003 Ben Zinn  
2004 Edward Curran  
2005 Vigor Yang  
2006 Anthony Strazisar  
2007 Dilip Ballal  
2008 Hukam Mongia  
2009 Not awarded  
2010 Bobby Berrier

2011 James L Mace  
2012 Walter F O'Brien  
2013 Thomas Kaemming  
2014 Ashwani Gupta  
2015 Not awarded  
2016 Wesley K. Lord  
2017 Campbell Carter  
2018 Gabriel D. Roy  
2019 Karen A. Thole

2020 Heinz Pitsch  
2021 J. Philip Drummond  
2022 Srinath Ekkad  
2023 Feng Liu  
2024 Aspi R. Wadia  
2025 Zoltán S. Spakovszky  
2026 Eric J Ruggiero

### **Aircraft Design Award**

Aircraft Design Technical Committee

The Aircraft Design Award was established in 1968 and is given to a design engineer or team for the conception, definition, or development of an original concept leading to a significant advancement in aircraft design or design technology.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / References Deadline: 1 November

### ***Past Recipients***

1969 Harold Adams  
1970 Harrison Storms  
1971 Joseph Sutter  
1972 Ben Rich  
1973 Herman Barkey  
1974 Not awarded  
1975 Walter Fellers  
1976 Kendall Perkins  
1977 Howard Evans  
1978 John Wimpres  
1979 Harold Raiklen  
1980 Elbert Rutan  
1981 Adolph Burstein  
1981 Frank Davis  
1982 Paul MacCready  
1984 Philip Condit  
1984 Kenneth Holtby  
1984 Everette Webb  
1985 Harry Hillaker  
1986 James Allburn  
1986 Norris Krone  
1986 Glenn Spacht  
1987 Lawrence Smith  
1988 Michael Pelehach  
1989 John Cashen  
1989 James Kinnu  
1989 John Patierno  
1989 Irving Waaland  
1990 Alan Brown  
1990 C Richard Cantrell  
1990 Norman Nelson

1990 Ralph Shick  
1991 Antonio Elias  
1991 Richard Hardy  
1992 David Kent  
1992 Sherman Mullin  
1993 Benson Hamlin  
1994 X-31 Enhanced Fighter  
Maneuvering Program Design  
Team: Helmuth Heumann, John  
Nix, Michael Robinson,  
Hannes Ross  
1995 Charles Coppi  
1996 FA-18E/F Super Hornet  
Team: Michael Anderson  
John Chenevey, James Godwin  
Brian Hunt, William Norman  
1997 Not awarded  
1998 John Brizendine  
1999 Hermann Altmann  
2000 Not awarded  
2001 Team Raptor  
2002 Lockheed Martin Joint  
Strike Fighter X-35 Team:  
Paul Bevilaqua, Paul Park  
Brian Quayle, Rick Rezabek  
David Butcher, Gerry Murff  
Kevin Renshaw, George Law  
2003 Boeing X-45A Systems  
Development. Team: Daryl  
Davis Team Leader

2004 Northrop Grumman SSBD  
Team: Charles Boccadoro,  
David Graham  
Joseph Pawlowski  
2005 Robert Liebeck  
2006 Robert Sandusky  
2007 Jan Roskam  
2008 Richard Van Grunsven  
2009 Joseph J. Luszczek Jr.  
2010 Daniel Raymer  
2011 Leland M Nicolai  
2012 Michimasa Fujino  
2013 Egbert Torenbeek  
2014 Boeing 78 Dreamliner Team  
2015 Darold B Cummings  
2016 Navy X-47B Unmanned  
Combat Air System Carrier  
Demonstration (UCAS-D)  
Program Team  
2017 Solar Impulse Aircraft  
Design Team  
2019 Robert W. Parks  
2020 Udo Juerss  
2021 Pipistrel Velis Electro  
2022 Steve Ericson  
2023 Adnan Raghdo  
2024 Paul Fontenrose  
2025 Ahmet K Kiryaman

**Aircraft Operations Award**

The Aircraft Operations Award, established by the Board of Directors in 1993, was presented to recognize significant accomplishments of one or more individuals that result in increased safety, improved economics, and efficiencies of aircraft operations where the human interface exists.

This award was discontinued in 2005.

***Past Recipients***

1994 Herbert Kelleher  
1996 Hartwell Stoll

1998 Stephen Fulton  
2000 Frank Alexander

2000 James Enias

**Ashley Award for Aeroelasticity**

Jointly sponsored by the Structural Dynamics Technical Committee, Adaptive Structures Technical Committee,  
Multidisciplinary Optimization Technical Committee

The Ashley Award for Aeroelasticity recognizes outstanding contributions to the understanding and application of aeroelastic phenomena. It commemorates the accomplishments of Prof. Holt Ashley, who dedicated his professional life to the advancement of aerospace sciences and engineering and had a profound impact on the fields of aeroelasticity, unsteady aerodynamics, aeroservoelasticity, and multidisciplinary optimization.

The award is presented every four years generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech). The next award is 2021.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June 2028 / Reference Deadline: 1 July 2028

***Past Recipients***

2009 Peretz Friedmann  
2013 Dewey Hodges  
2017 Charbel Farhat  
2021 Eli Livne  
2025 Mordechay Karpel

**Atkinson – Ball Survivability Award**  
Survivability Technical Committee

Established in 1993, the Survivability Award is presented to an individual or a team to recognize outstanding achievement or contribution in design, analysis, implementation and/or education of survivability in an aerospace system.

In 2024, the award was renamed from Survivability Award to Atkinson – Ball Survivability Award to honor Mr. Dale B. Atkinson and Dr. Robert E. Ball, the principal founding members of the AIAA Survivability Technical Committee with commitment to excellence in Survivability.

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline 1 July (odd-numbered years)

***Past Recipients - Survivability Award***

1994 Dale Atkinson  
1996 Robert Ball  
1998 Nikolaos Caravassos  
2000 Jerry Wallick  
2002 Michael Meyers  
2004 Lawrence Eusanio

2006 James Foulk  
2008 David Hall  
2010 Walter Dotseth  
2012 Joel Williams  
2014 John Vice  
2016 Not awarded

2018 Vincent Volpe  
2020 Charles F. Frankenberger  
2022 Alex G. Kurtz  
2024 Gary C. Wollenweber  
2026 Timothy Williams

**Past Recipients- Atkinson – Ball Survivability Award**

**Chanute Flight Test Award**  
Flight Testing Technical Committee

Originally the Octave Chanute Award from 1939 to 1977 and the Chanute Flight Award from 1978 to 2002, the award continues to honor Octave Chanute, pioneer aeronautical investigator, and was presented for an outstanding contribution made by a pilot or test personnel to the advancement of the art, science, and technology of aeronautics.

The award was discontinued in 2005, but reactivated in 2010 as the Chanute Flight Test Award to recognize significant lifetime achievements in the advancement of the art, science, and technology of flight test engineering.

Beginning in 2017 the award will be presented biennially (in odd numbered years) generally at the AIAA AVIATION / ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 February (odd-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

Octave Chanute Award	1959 John Reeder	Chanute Flight Award
1939 Edmund Allen	1960 Joseph Tymczyszyn	1978 T Benefield
1940 Howard Hughes	1961 Joseph Walker	1979 Austin Bailey
1941 Melvin Gough	1962 Neil Armstrong	1981 Raymond McPherson
1942 A. MacClain	1963 Edward Bechtold	1983 S Wallick
1943 William McAvoy	1964 Fred Drinkwater	1986 George Jansen
1944 Benjamin Kelsey	1964 Robert Inis	1988 Russell Larson
1945 Robert Lamson	1965 Alvin White	1990 William Schweikhard
1945 Elliot Merrill	1966 Donald McKusker	1992 Robert Hoover
1946 Ernest Cutrell	1967 Milton Thompson	1994 Richard Abrams
1947 Lawrence Clousing	1968 William Knight	1996 Edward Schneider
1948 Herbert Hoover	1969 William Park	1998 Harold Farley
1949 Frederick Trapnell	1970 Jerauld Gentry	2002 Mike Carriker
1950 Donald MacDiarmid	1971 William Magruder	
1951 Marion Carl	1972 Donald Segner	Chanute Flight Test Award
1952 John Seal	1973 Cecil Powell	2017 William R. Gray, III
1953 W Bridgeman	1974 Charles Sewell	2019 David Minto
1954 George Cooper	1975 Alan Bean	2022 Rogers E. Smith
1955 Albert Boyd	1975 Owen Garriott	2023 Mark Stucky
1956 A. Johnston	1975 Jack Lousma	2025 Not awarded
1957 Frank Everest	1976 Thomas Stafford	
1958 A. Crossfield		

**Command, Control, Communication, and Intelligence Award**

The Command, Control, Communication & Intelligence Award was presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) for significant contribution to the overall effectiveness of C3I Systems through the development of improved C3I Systems and Systems Technology.

This award was discontinued in 2007.

***Past Recipients***

1991 Jerry Tuttle	1997 Robert Hermann	2005 Not awarded
1993 John Grimes	2000 Arthur Cebrowski	2007 Not awarded
1995 Harry Heimble	2003 Richard Mayo	

**Computer-Aided Engineering and Manufacturing Award**

Computer-Aided Engineering and Manufacturing Award was first presented in 1988 to an individual who has conceived, defined, or developed an original concept leading to a significant advancement in the use of interactive computer graphics for conceptual design, computer imagery, or computer-aided design and computer-manufacturing. This award was discontinued in 2005.

***Past Recipients***

1988 Cecelia Jankowski  
1990 Alan Mitchell  
1993 Arthur Kamm

**de Florez Award for Flight Simulation**

Modeling and Simulation Technical Committee

The de Florez Award for Flight Simulation originally known as the de Florez Training Award, was named in honor of the late Admiral Luis de Florez. It is presented for an outstanding individual achievement in the application of flight simulation to aerospace training, research, and development. Admiral de Florez did much to enhance the use of simulators in the training of pilots.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1965 Lloyd Kelly	1988 Bertram McFadden	2010 Rodger Mueller
1966 Warren North	1989 Don Gum	2011 Not awarded
1967 Edwin Link	1990 Jacob Houck	2012 Mark E Dreier
1969 Gifford Bull	1991 Frank Cardullo	2013 William Chung
1970 Harold Miller	1992 Lloyd Reid	2014 Not awarded (due to new Forum)
1971 Walter Moran	1993 Edward Boothe	2015 Cleve Moler
1972 James Campbell	1994 Robert Galloway	2016 John M Hanson
1973 Carroll Woodling	1995 A. L. Ueltschi	2017 Joseph Horn
1974 Hugh Hurt	1996 Jack Thorpe	2018 Laurence R. Young
1975 John Dusterberry	1997 Edward Martin	2019 Ronald Hess
1976 John Duberg	1998 Patricia Sanders	2020 Edward L. Burnett
1978 William Hagin	2001 Richard McFarland	2021 Not awarded
1979 James Burke	2002 Not awarded	2022 Sunjoo K. Advani
1980 Carl Shelley	2003 Ruud Hosman	2023 Not awarded
1982 Richard Heintzman	2004 Not awarded	2024 Loren J. Newton
1983 Robert Howe	2005 Not awarded	2025 Heinrich H. Bülthoff
1984 Walter Chambers	2006 Not awarded	2026 E Bruce Jackson
1985 John Sinacori	2007 David Miller	
1986 Waldemar Breuhaus	2008 Lloyd Landry	
1987 Edward Stark	2009 Not awarded	

**Dr. John C. Ruth Digital Avionics Award**

Digital Avionics Technical Committee

The Digital Avionics Award was renamed in 2007 to honor Dr. John C. Ruth who founded the Digital Avionics Technical Committee and also served as Chair of the 4<sup>th</sup> Digital Avionics Conference in 1981. The award is presented to recognize outstanding achievement in technical management and/or implementation of digital avionics in space or aeronautical systems, including system analysis, design, development or application.

This award is presented in the odd-numbered years at the AIAA co-sponsored Digital Avionics Conference.

- Nomination Deadline: 15 January (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 February (even-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

1984 Robert McDonald	1999 John Ruth	2015 Rafael D Apaza
1984 Richard Peal	2001 Not awarded	2017 John Moore
1984 Richard Spardin	2003 Reginald Varga	2019 ACAS X Design Team
1984 Peter Sutcliffe	2005 David Corman	2020 Denise S. Ponchak
1986 Kenneth Cox	2007 Andrew Zeitlin	2021 Not awarded
1988 David Smith	2009 John C. “Chris” Moody	2022 Not awarded
1992 John Borky	2009 Doyle Peed	2023 Not awarded
1994 Cary Spitzer	2009 Robert Strain	2024 Not awarded
1995 Henry Dhuyvetter	2009 Warren Wilson	2025 Carlo Tiana
1997 A Tom Smith	2011 Frank Van Graas	
	2013 Albert Helfrick	

**Energy Systems Award**

Terrestrial Energy Systems Technical Committee

Established in 1981, the Energy Systems Award is presented for a significant contribution in the broad field of energy systems, specifically as related to the application of engineering sciences and systems engineering to the production, storage, distribution, and conservation of energy.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1981 Kenell Touryan	2000 Adel Sarofim	2014 William E Lear
1983 Stanford Penner	2001 Subramanyam Gollahalli	2015 Tom I-Ping Shih
1984 L. S. “Skip” Fletcher	2002 Merrill King	2016 Ronald K Hanson
1990 Ashwani Gupta	2003 Gabriel Roy	2017 Suresh Aggarwal
1991 C Bryon Winn	2004 William Sirignano	2018 Brian Edward Launder
1992 David Lilley	2005 James Whitelaw	2019 Arun Majumdar
1993 Dilip Ballal	2006 Jim Swithenbank	2020 Alan Williams
1994 Geoffrey Sturgess	2007 Mark Lewis	2021 Kai H. Luo
1995 William Jackson	2008 Kuniyuki Kitawaga	2022 George Crabtree
1996 Alexander Kalina	2009 Robert Winn	2023 Bengt Aake Sunden
1997 Kenneth Bray	2010 Essam Khalil	2024 Chih-Jen Sung
1997 K. Bray	2011 Naeim A. Henein	2025 Ying Zheng
1998 Janos Beer	2012 Darrell W Pepper	2026 Kemo Hanjalic
1999 Chung Law	2013 Ryoichi Amano	

**Engineer of the Year Award**

Jointly sponsored by the Regional Directors, Technical Activities Division, Honors and Awards Committee

The AIAA Engineer of the Year Award is presented to a member of AIAA who has made a recent (within the past two years) individual contribution in the application of scientific and mathematical principles leading to a significant accomplishment or event worthy of AIAA’s national or international recognition.

This award is intended for recognition of an individual’s single scientific and/or technical contribution. Career or lifetime achievements are not eligible, neither is a team or a management accomplishment. However, a project lead or a member of a team is eligible, provided that he/she has made significant individual contribution to the team’s success. The award name – “Engineer of the Year” – implies that is intended for a recent accomplishment. The idea is to “capture the moment.” Thus, both the individual’s “specific technical contribution” and the “recentness” of the accomplishment need to be conveyed in the award write-up.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1989 Bernard Koff	2002 T. S. “Scott” Winship	2015 William J Emrich, Jr.
1990 Clarence Wesselski	2003 William Parks	2016 Robin J. Osborne
1991 Frank Gillette	2004 Paul Munafo	2017 Michael Keidar
1992 Antonio Elias	2005 Prasun Desai	2018 Rodger Farley
1993 Domenic Maglieri	2006 Thomas Horvath	2019 Timothy Dominick
1994 Roland Bowles	2007 Burt Rutan	2020 Andrew T. Klesh
1995 George Springer	2008 William Harrison	2021 Humberto Silva III
1996 Preston Henne	2009 Frederick Schaur	2022 Paul R. Gradl
1997 David Urie	2010 Michael Gilbert	2023 Alison A. Nordt
1998 Tommaso Rivellini	2011 Jay M Brandon	2024 Kurt A. Polzin
1999 Leonard Weinstein	2012 John P. Clark	2025 Christopher J Ruscher
2000 Krishan Ahuja	2013 Robert Williams	2026 Jenna L. Eppink
2001 Steven Bauer	2014 William Blake	

**Excellence in Aerospace Standardization Award**

Standards Committee Executive Council

The Excellence in Aerospace Standardization Award is presented to recognize substantive contributions by individuals that advance the health of the aerospace community by enabling cooperation, competition, and growth through the standardization process. Such individuals may have been committee chairs, project leaders, or industry executives; the award is intended to recognize substantive accomplishment.

Professional activity to be documented in the nomination package should include contributions that occurred within the last 5 years. Specific to this award, there must be five nominations in order for the award is to be made and the nominee may not have been a member of the Standards Executive Council for the past two years (24 months).

Reactivated in 2007, this award is generally presented biennially (odd-numbered years) at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

2003 William Vaughan	2017 Not awarded
2007 Macgregor Reed	2019 Not awarded
2009 Paul Gill	2021 Not awarded
2011 David Finkleman	2022 Not awarded
2013 Christopher Rumsey	2023 Not awarded
2015 Not awarded	2024 Not awarded

**F. E. Newbold V/STOL Award**

V/STOL Technical Committee

The F. E. Newbold V/STOL Award is presented to recognize outstanding creative contributions to the advancement and realization of powered lift flight in one or more of the following areas: initiation, definition and/or management of key V/STOL programs; development of enabling technologies including critical methodology; program engineering and design; and/or other relevant related activities or combinations thereof which have advanced the science of powered lift flight.

This award is generally presented every 30 months in conjunction with the International Powered Lift Conference.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / 1 November (see website for approximate dates)

***Past Recipients***

1990 Harold Blot	2002 Barnes McCormick	2016 Paul Shumpert
1993 William Scheuren	2002 Samuel Wilson	2020 Justin D. Paines
1996 Paul Bevilaqua	2005 Richard Margason	2023 Lars Blackmore
1998 Gordon Lewis	2008 Ralph Hooper	2026 Mark Douglass Moore
2000 Richard Kuhn	2010 James Franklin	
2000 Troy Gaffy	2013 William Lewis	

**Fluid Dynamics Award**

Fluid Dynamics Technical Committee

The Fluid Dynamics Award was approved by the Board of Directors in 1992 and is presented for outstanding contributions to the understanding of the behavior of liquids and gases in motion as related to need in aeronautics and astronautics. From 1976 to 1991, the award, then known as the Fluids and Plasmadynamics Award, recognized outstanding contributions in either/both disciplines.

- This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.
- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1976 Mark Morkovin	1993 Antony Jameson	2010 Bram van Leer
1977 Harvard Lomax	1994 Peter Bradshaw	2011 Hans G Hornung
1978 Charles Treanor	1995 Philip Saffman	2012 Graham V Candler
1979 Charles Kruger	1996 Robert MacCormack	2013 Donald Rockwell
1980 Eli Reshotko	1997 Milton Van Dyke	2014 Paul Dimotakis
1981 Arthur Kantrowitz	1998 Anatol Roshko	2015 Philip L Roe
1982 John Lumley	1999 William Reynolds	2016 Moshe Matalon
1983 Seymour Bogdonoff	2000 Roddam Narasimha	2017 Miguel Visbal
1984 Tuncer Cebeci	2001 Israel Wygnanski	2018 Helen Reed
1985 Edward Gerry	2002 Fazle Hussain	2019 Hermann F. Fasel
1986 Steven Orszag	2003 William Saric	2020 Nadine Aubry
1987 Gino Moretti	2004 Alexander Smits	2021 Charles Meneveau
1988 Harold Mirels	2005 Jay Boris	2022 Mujeeb R. Malik
1989 R. Thomas Davis	2006 Philippe Spalart	2023 Kozo Fujii
1990 Hans Liepmann	2007 Ronald Adrian	2024 Mark Glauser
1991 Dennis Bushnell	2008 Marvin Goldstein	2025 Ari Glezer
1992 Julian Cole	2009 Parviz Moin	2026 Brian J. Cantwell

**George M. Low Space Transportation Award**

Space Transportation Technical Committee, Space Systems Technical Committee,

Established in 1988, the George M. Low Space Transportation Award honors the achievements in space transportation by Dr. George M. Low, who played a leading role in planning and executing all of the Apollo missions and originated the plans for the first manned lunar orbital flight, Apollo 8. The award is presented for a timely outstanding contribution to the field of space transportation.

- This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1988 Eberhard Rees	2002 William Escher	2014 Automated Transfer Vehicle
1990 Edward Aldridge	2004 John Karas	Industrial Team, Airbus
1992 Alan Lovelace	2006 Burt Rutan	2016 New Shepard Team, Blue
1994 David Thompson	2008 Elon Musk	Origin
1996 Delta Launch Vehicle Team	2010 Michael C Gass	2018 Garry Lyles
1998 Laurence Price	2012 Space Shuttle Team	2020 Not awarded
2000 James Maser		2022 Not awarded

### **Ground Testing Award**

Ground Testing Technical Committee

Established in 1975, the Ground Testing Award is presented for outstanding achievement in the development or effective utilization of technology, procedures, facilities, or modeling techniques for flight simulation, space simulation, propulsion testing, aerodynamic testing, or other ground testing associated with aeronautics and astronautics.

This annual award is presented at the AIAA AVIATION.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

#### ***Past Recipients***

1976 Bernhard Goethert	1995 A. George Havener	2011 Michael S Holden
1978 Arthur Doty	1996 James Crowder	2012 Steven P Schneider
1979 Jack Whitfield	1997 Gary Chapman	2013 Jack Sokhey
1981 Glenn Norfleet	1998 Ivan Beckwith	2014 Jeffrey Haas
1982 Gerald Winchenbach	1999 Lawrence Putnam	2015 Robert F Ide
1983 James Mitchell	2000 Travis Binion	2016 Zonglin Jiang
1984 James Young	2001 Donald Wilson	2017 Dan E. Marren
1985 Billy Griffith	2002 John Erdos	2018 Norbert Ulbrich
1986 Kazimierz Orlik-Ruckemann	2003 Henry Nagamatsu	2019 James Heineck and Edward Schairer
1987 Robert Smith	2004 Hugh Coleman	2020 Mark R. Melanson
1988 Charles Wittliff	2004 W. Glenn Steele	2021 Guillermo Paniagua
1989 James Cooksey	2005 Blair Gloss	2022 James C. Ross
1990 Eugene Covert	2006 Not awarded	2023 Luca Maddalena
1991 Robert Trimpi	2007 Frank Steinle	2024 Marvin E. Sellers
1992 Charles Miller	2008 Douglas Rabe	2025 Nicole L Key
1993 Raymond Stalker	2009 Stan Powell	2026 Carson D. Slabaugh
1994 John Davis	2010 Frederick Shope	

### **Haley Space Flight Award**

Space Systems Technical Committee

This award was established in 1954 as the Astronautics Award and was renamed in 1966 as the Haley Astronautics Award, honoring Andrew G. Haley. This award was discontinued in 2005, but was reactivated as The Haley Space Flight Award in 2010 and is presented for outstanding contributions by an astronaut or flight test personnel to the advancement of the art, science or technology of astronautics.

- This award has been discontinued.

#### ***Past Recipients***

Astronautics Award		
1954 Theodore von Karman	Haley Astronautics Award	1973 Thomas Mattingly
1955 Wernher von Braun	1966 David Scott	1974 Charles Conrad
1956 Joseph Kaplan	1967 Edward White	1974 Joseph Kerwin
1957 Krafft Ehrlicke	1968 Virgil Grissom	1974 Paul Weitz
1958 Ivan Kincheloe	1969 Donn Eisele	1975 Gerald Carr
1959 Walter Dornberger	1970 William Anders	1975 Edward Gibson
1960 A. Crossfield	1970 Frank Borman	1975 William Pogue
1961 Alan Shepard	1970 James Lovell	1976 William Dana
1962 John Glenn	1971 Fred Haise	1978 Vance Brand
1963 L. Gordon Cooper	1971 John Swigert	1978 Donald Slayton
1963 Walter Schirra	1972 James Irwin	1978 Thomas Stafford
1964 Walter Williams	1972 David Scott	1978 Fred Haise
1965 Joseph Bleymaier	1972 Alfred Worden	1980 Joe Engle
1966 Neil Armstrong	1972 John Young	1980 C Gordon Fullerton
	1973 Charles Duke	1980 Richard Hugo Truly
		1980 Fred Haise

1982 Robert Crippen	1985 Barbara Scott	
1984 Owen Garriott	1985 Kenneth Ward	
1984 Byron Lichtenberg	1987 Bruce McCandless	Haley Space Flight Award
1984 Ulf Merbold	1989 Frederick Hauck	2010 John Grunsfeld and the STS-125 Team
1984 Robert Parker	1989 John Lounge	2012 Mars Exploration Rover Development and Operations Team
1984 Brewster Shaw	1989 George Nelson	2014 James H Newman
1984 John Young	1991 Charles Bolden	2016 James S Voss
1985 David Coolidge	1991 Bruce McCandless	2018 Daniel W. Bursch
1985 Michael Cummings	1991 Loren Shriver	2020 Not awarded
1985 Gay Hilton	1991 Kathryn Sullivan	2022 Not awarded
1985 David Hogan	1993 Daniel Brandenstein	
1985 Roger Hogan		
1985 Thomas Karras		

**Hap Arnold Award for Excellence in Aeronautical Program Management**  
Management Committee

Formerly the Leadership in Total Quality Management Award, the award was presented to the person or team who through a quality-focused management system approach achieved significant or continuous improvement within an aerospace or defense-related organization, its products, services or processes.

In 2002, the scope was broadened and the award renamed as the Hap Arnold Award for Excellence in Aeronautical Program Management in honor of General Henry “Hap” Arnold, a life-long devotee to the concept of air power and Chief of the Army Air Corps in 1938. The award is presented to an individual for outstanding contributions in the management of a significant aeronautical or aeronautical related program or project.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

2002 Paul Nielsen	2011 Vincent Capezzuto	2020 Jay E. Dryer
2003 David Bernstorff	2012 Ralph Heath	2021 Not awarded
2004 Patrick Waddick	2013 Not awarded	2022 Paul Niewald
2005 Michael Trotsky	2014 Steven Walker	2023 Parimal H. Kopardekar
2006 Ross Reynolds	2015 Not awarded	2024 MiMi Aung
2007 Lowell Keel	2016 Paul R. Adams	2025 Richard A Rezabek
2008 Michael Francis	2017 Robert Arbach	2026 Leonard Zentz
2009 Larry Burns	2018 Jeffrey A. Babione	
2010 Michael Leahy	2019 Charles J. Cross	

***Past Recipients (Leadership in Total Quality Management Award)***

1991 Harold K. McCard	1994 Timothy H. Wachenfeld	1998 Michael Sears
1992 Robert Young	1995 Shelly Buttrill	2001 Preston Henne
1993 William C. Bowes	1997 Darleen Druyun	

**Hypersonic Systems and Technologies Award**  
Hypersonics Technical Committee

The award is presented to recognize outstanding, sustained contributions and achievements in enabling technologies and/or the integration of technologies for system applications in the advancement of hypersonic flight.

This award is generally presented every 18 months at either the AIAA AVIATION / ASCEND and Aeronautics Forum (AVIATION / ASCEND) or at the International Space Planes and Hypersonic Systems and Technologies Conference (non-U.S.).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November (see website for approximate dates).

***Past Recipients***

2012 John D. Anderson  
2014 John Erdos  
2015 Hans Mornung  
2017 Richard Morgan

2018 Robert Mercier  
2019 Not awarded  
2020 Allan Paull  
2021 Steven H. Walker

2022 Not Awarded  
2023 Joseph A. Schetz  
2024 Gary Polansky  
2026 Peter J. Erbland

### **ICME Prize**

Materials Technical Committee

The AIAA Materials Technical Committee with the support of Composite Design and Manufacturing HUB (cdmHUB), NASA Glenn Research Center and Rolls Royce Corporation funding have established an ICME prize for the best aerospace focused ICME project. This bi-annual award to be presented at AIAA SciTech 2020, will not only include recognition at an AIAA SciTech forum itself, but will also provide a \$1,500.00 team award. Furthermore, each winning project and project team will be given special consideration for internship or follow-on effort to further realize the benefit of the proposed project with one or more of the sponsoring organizations: cdmHUB, NASA, and/or Rolls-Royce. Go to <http://www.aiaa.org/ICME/> to view further information or download the RFP.

### **Past Recipients**

2018 Brett Bednarczyk, Evan Pineda, Gregory Odegard, Julie M. Tomasi, William A. Pisani, Sorayot Chinkanjanerot, Aaron S. Kreig, Julia A. King, Ibrahim Miskioglu, Sandi Miller  
2020 Anthony M. Wass, Royan J. Dmvello, Marianna Maiaru, Robert W. Koon, Thomas Sutter, Folusho Oyerokun, Tsukasa Harrington, Anoush Poursartip  
2022 Michael N. Olaya, Hashim Al Mahmud, Evgenia Plaka, Kalima Bukenya, Sagar Patil, Sagar Shah, Prathamesh Desphande, Manish Naharaj, Aaron Krieg, Evan J. Pineda, Brett A. Bednarczyk, Richard Li, Jeffrey Chambers, Stephen Jones, Craig Collier, Gregory M. Odegard, Marianna Maiaru  
2023 Not awarded  
2024 Not awarded  
2025 Not awarded  
2026 Stephanie TerMaath, Marcias Martinez Kinan Bezem, Nilanjan Mitra, Marcus Stanfield, Todd Mull, John Erdman, Corey Arndt, Hiren Balsara, Daniel Hart

### **Information Systems Award**

Jointly sponsored by: Computer Systems Technical Committee and Sensor Systems and Information Fusion Technical Committee

The Information Systems Award is presented for technical and/or management contributions in space and aeronautics computer and sensing aspects of information technology and science.

This award is presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 June (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 July (even-numbered years)

### **Past Recipients**

1977 Albert Hopkins  
1979 Algiradas Avizienis  
1979 Barry Boehm  
1981 William Whitaker  
1983 Lynwood Dunseith  
1985 Winston Royce  
1987 Lee Holcomb  
1989 Steven Teitelbaum  
1991 Vincent Pisacane

1993 Ravi Iyer  
1995 Nancy Leveson  
1999 William Gianopulos  
2003 John Lytle  
2005 Not awarded  
2007 Robert Acree  
2009 Charles Jorgensen  
2011 Not awarded  
2013 Not awarded

2015 Not awarded  
2017 Not awarded  
2019 Not awarded  
2021 Erik P. Blasch  
2023 Jimmie G. McEver III  
2024 Not awarded  
2025 Radhakrishna Sampigethaya

**Intelligent Systems Award**  
Intelligent Systems Technical Committee

The Intelligent Systems Award is presented to recognize important fundamental contributions to intelligent systems technologies and applications that advance the capabilities of aerospace systems.

Beginning in 2014, this award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 July (odd-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

2011 Steve Chien	2018 Kevin Wise
2013 Not awarded	2020 Jonathan P. How
2014 Heinz Erzberger	2022 Ella M. Atkins
2016 Frank L. Lewis	2024 Randal W. Beard

**James A. Van Allen Space Environments Award**  
Atmospheric Environment Technical Committee

The James A. Van Allen Space Environments Award is presented to recognize outstanding contributions to space and planetary environment knowledge and interactions as applied to the advancement of aeronautics and astronautics. Established in 2006, the award honors Prof. James A. Van Allen, an outstanding internationally recognized scientist, who was credited with the early discovery of the Earth’s “Van Allen Radiation Belts.”

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) at the AIAA ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (even-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

2008 Shi Tsan Wu	2016 Not awarded
2008 Allen Tribble	2018 Not awarded
2010 Daniel Baker	2020 Louis J. Lanzerotti
2012 Mary K. Hudson	2022 Henry B. Garrett
2014 Stamatios M Krimigis	2024 Not awarded

**Jay Hollingsworth Speas Airport Award**  
Jointly sponsored by AIAA, AAAE, and ACC

The Jay Hollingsworth Speas Airport Award was established in 1983 and is co-sponsored by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA), the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), and the Airport Consultants Council (ACC). It is presented annually during the AAAE/ACC Airport Planning, Design and Construction Symposium to the nominee(s) judged to have contributed most significantly in recent years to the enhancement of relationships between airports and/or heliports and their surrounding environments via exemplary innovation that might be replicated elsewhere.

Examples of such airport-community-environmental enhancement include noise abatement for aircraft engines; aircraft flight-path modification to reduce time and space requirements for take-off and landing; airport and terminal design to improve sustainability and compatibility with the surrounding area; and airport area ground-transportation systems to increase ease of airport use while minimizing interface with normal lifestyles and the ecosystem.

The recipient will be requested to make a brief presentation highlighting the contribution and/or accomplishment that served as the basis for the award. The award consists of a framed certificate and an honorarium.

- This award is now discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1984 Aubert McPike	1985 Norman Mineta	1986 Robert Doyle
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1987 Paul Barkley	2005 Arlene Mulder	2016 Westchester County
1987 Byron Miller	2006 Michael Gobb	Airport, Environmental
1988 Timothy Ward	2006 John Slone	Management System Technical
1989 John Wesler	2007 Miami-Dade AVIATION /	Committee
1990 Herbert Godfrey	ASCEND Dept.	2018 Gerald R. Ford
1991 Andrea Riniker	2008 Thomas Kinton	International Airport
1992 John Shelly	2008 Thomas Lang	2019 Metropolitan Nashville
1993 James Muldoon	2009 Russell. C. Widmar	Airport Authority (MNAA)
1994 Philip Engle	2009 Larry Slominski	2020 Louis Regional Airport
1995 Matthew Kundrot	2010 Denver Int'l Airport,	Authority
1996 Dirk Semenza	Planning & Noise Dept.	2021 Jackson Hole Airport
1997 David Hilton	2011 Sustainable AVIATION /	Board
1998 Gordon Lewis	ASCEND Guidance Alliance	2022 Not awarded
1999 John-Paul Clarke	2012 James Elwood	2023 Not awarded
2000 Christine Klein	2013 Robert Blackenship	2024 Pittsburgh International
2002 Daniel Waggoner	2014 Chattanooga Metropolitan	Airport
2003 Daniel McGregor	Airport Authority	2025 Not awarded
2004 David Brown	2015 Chicago Department of	2026 Note awarded
2004 J Christopher Nielson	AVIATION / ASCEND	

**Jeffries Aerospace Medicine and Life Sciences Research Award**  
Life Sciences and Systems Technical Committee

Recognizing the importance to aeronautics of scientific endeavors in the field of medicine, the Jeffries Aerospace Medicine and Life Sciences Research Award was established in 1940 as the John Jeffries Award to honor the memory of the American physician, John Jeffries, whose scientific investigations were published in a "Narrative of Two Aerial Voyages" in 1796.

- This annual award is generally presented at the International Conference of Environmental Systems (ICES)
- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1940 Louis Bauer	1965 William Douglas	1990 Charles Hopkins
1941 Harry Armstrong	1966 Charles Berry	1991 Frank Austin
1942 Edward Schneider	1967 Charles Barron	1993 Victor Schneider
1943 Eugene Reinartz	1968 Loren Carlson	1994 Dolores O'Hara
1944 Harold Wittingham	1969 Frank Voris	1994 Joan Vernikos
1945 John Adams	1970 Walton Jones	1995 Fredrick Guedry
1946 Malcom Grow	1971 Richard Johnston	1996 Norman Thagard
1947 J. Winifred Tice	1972 Roger Ireland	1998 Frank Sulzman
1948 W. Randolph Lovelace	1973 Karl Houghton	1999 Roscoe Bartlett
1949 A D Tuttle	1974 Malcolm Lancaster	2000 Margaret Seddon
1950 Otis Bensen	1975 Lawrence Dietlein	2001 Maurice Averner
1951 John Poppen	1977 Harald von Beckh	2002 Gautam Badhwar
1952 John Stapp	1978 Heinz Fuchs	2003 Bobby Alford
1953 Charles Gell	1979 William Smith	2004 William Knott
1954 James Henry	1980 Stephen Kimzey	2005 Bonnie Dalton
1955 Wilbur Kellum	1981 Sam Pool	2006 John Hines
1956 Ross McFarland	1982 Arnauld Nicogossian	2007 Mark Kliss
1957 David Simons	1983 Paul Buchanan	2008 Malcolm Cohen
1958 Hubertus Strughold	1985 William Thornton	2009 John Sager
1959 Don Flickinger	1986 Charles Billings	2010 Kenneth Souza
1960 Joseph Kittinger	1987 John Meehan	2011 Louis Stodieck
1961 Ashton Graybiel	1988 Carolyn Huntoon	2012 Cary Mitchell
1962 James Goddard	1989 Kent Gillingham	2013 Jonathan Clark
1964 Eugene Konecci	1989 James Houghton	2014 Paul Webb

2015 Hubert "Vic" Vykukal  
2016 Robert J. Ferl  
2017 Raymond Wheeler  
2018 Dava Newman

2019 John B. Charles  
2020 James M. Waligora  
2021 Joseph J. Kosmo  
2022 Pete Hancock

2023 Bruce W. Webbon  
2024 Daniel J. Barta  
2026 Robert Morrow

**Lawrence Sperry Award**  
Young Professionals Committee

The Lawrence Sperry Award is presented for a notable contribution made by a young person, age 35 or under, to the advancement of aeronautics or astronautics. This award honors Lawrence B. Sperry, pioneer aviator and inventor, who died in 1923 in a forced landing while attempting a flight across the English Channel.

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1936 William Rockefeller  
1937 Clarence Johnson  
1938 Russell Newhouse  
1939 Charles Kearns  
1940 William Oswald  
1941 Ernest Stout  
1942 Edward Wells  
1943 William Bergen  
1944 William Phillips  
1945 Richard Hutton  
1946 Peter Murray  
1947 N. A. M. Gaylor  
1948 Allen Puckett  
1949 Alexander Flax  
1950 Frank Piasecki  
1951 Robert Seamans  
1952 Dean Chapman  
1953 Donald Coles  
1954 A Crossfield  
1955 Giels Strickroth  
1956 George Jude  
1957 Clarence Syvertson  
1958 Robert Loewy  
1959 James Mc Cune  
1960 Robert Howell  
1961 Douglas Harvey  
1962 Robert Pillard  
1964 Daniel Tellep  
1965 Rodney Wingrove  
1966 Joe Engle

1967 Eugene Kranz  
1968 Roy Harris  
1969 Edgar Lineberry  
1970 Glenn Lunney  
1971 Ronald Berry  
1972 Sheila Widnall  
1973 Dino Lorenzini  
1974 Jan Tulinius  
1975 Dennis Bushnell  
1977 Joseph Weigarten  
1978 Paul Kutler  
1979 David Caughey  
1980 William Ballhaus  
1981 Charles Boppe  
1982 Jeffrey Cuzzi  
1983 Luat Nguyen  
1984 Sally Ride  
1985 Vijaya Shankar  
1986 Parviz Moin  
1987 James Thomas  
1988 David Thompson  
1989 Cornelius P Van Dam  
1990 Ilan Kroo  
1991 Mark Drela  
1992 John Batina  
1993 Timothy Barth  
1994 W Kyle Anderson  
1995 William Schonberg  
1996 Penina Axelrad  
1997 John Kallinderis

1998 Iain Boyd  
1999 Robert Braun  
2000 Anna Maria McGowan  
2001 Keith Comeaux  
2002 Ed Smith  
2003 Myles Baker  
2004 Jeffrey Jordan  
2005 Tim Lieuwen  
2006 Lynn Nicole Smith  
2007 Amy Pritchett  
2008 Ryan Starkey  
2009 Adam Rasheed  
2010 Mitchell Walker  
2011 M. Brett McMickell  
2012 Hamsa Balakrishnan  
2013 Eric Ruggiero  
2014 Kimberley Clayfield  
2015 Jeremy T Pinier  
2016 Joshua Rovey  
2017 Karen T. Berger  
2018 Michael West  
2019 Kayta M. Casper  
2020 Patrick R. C. Neumann  
2021 Benjamin Jorns  
2022 Michael Snyder  
2023 Phillip J. Ansell  
2024 Michelle N. Banchy  
2026 Thomas C. Underwood

**Losey Atmospheric Sciences Award**  
Atmospheric and Space Environments Technical Committee

In 1940, the Robert M. Losey Award was established in memory of Captain Robert M. Losey, a meteorological officer who was killed while serving as an observer for the U.S. Army, the first officer in the service

of the United States to die in World War II. In 1975 the name was changed to the Losey Atmospheric Sciences Award. It is presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to the atmospheric sciences as applied to the advancement of aeronautics and astronautics.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1940 Henry Houghton	1970 Newton Lieurance	1999 Carolyn Purvis
1941 Horace Byers	1971 Verner Suomi	2000 Donald Kessler
1942 F W Reichelderfer	1972 David Wark	2001 John Madura
1943 Joseph George	1973 George Fichtl	2002 Thomas Ratvasky
1944 John Bellamy	1974 Norman Sissenwine	2003 Daniel Hastings
1945 Harry Wexler	1975 Paul Kadlec	2004 Dale Johnson
1946 Carl Rossby	1977 Robert Knollenberg	2005 Dennis Newton
1947 Benjamin Holzman	1978 Robert McClatchey	2006 Otha Vaughan
1948 Paul Humphrey	1979 Allan Bailey	2007 Mark Potapczuk
1949 William Lewis	1980 William Vaughan	2008 Wayne Sand
1950 Roscoe Braham	1981 Jean Lee	2009 Eugene Hill
1951 Ivan Tannehill	1982 T Theodore Fujita	2010 Jeffrey Forbes
1952 Vincent Schaefer	1983 Walter Frost	2011 Patrick Minnis
1953 Henry Harrison	1984 John Enders	2012 Alex Feo
1954 Hermann Wobus	1985 Dennis Camp	2013 Not awarded
1955 Robert Bundgaard	1986 John Theon	2014 John Hallett
1956 Ross Gunn	1987 John McCarthy	2015 Ian A Waitz
1957 Jule Charney	1988 Shelby Tilford	2016 William L Smith
1958 P D McTaggard Cowan	1989 James Lawrence	2018 Roland Bowles
1959 Herbert Riehl	1990 Robert Turner	2019 Marcia K. Politovich
1960 Thomas Malone	1991 Charles Sprinkle	2020 George C. Green
1961 Arthur Merewether	1992 C. Gordon Little	2021 Harold E. Addy, Jr.
1962 Jacob Bjercknes	1993 Moustafa Chahine	2022 Fred Proctor
1964 Robert Miller	1994 R John Hansman	2023 Jeanne G. Mason
1965 George Cressman	1995 James Weinman	2024 Duane Waliser
1966 David Atlas	1996 Edwin Harrison	2025 Philippe Villedieu
1967 Elmar Reiter	1997 Orvel Smith	
1969 Robert Fletcher	1998 Michael Bragg	

***Louis W. Hill Space Transportation Award***

This prestigious award was named in memory of the transportation pioneer, Louis W. Hill, and recognized significant contributions indicative of American enterprise and ingenuity in the art and science of space flight based on research in any or all of the fundamental sciences relating to space travel or space technology.

The award was discontinued by its sponsors after 1975.

1958 Robert H. Goddard	1963 Jack M. James	1970 Christopher C. Kraft, Jr.
1959 James A. Van Allen	1964 Hugh L. Dryden	1971 Hubertus Strughold
1960 S.K. Hoffman	1965 Wernher von Braun	1972 David G. Hoag
1960 Thomas F. Dixon	1966 W. Randolph Lovelace, II	1972 Richard H. Battin
1961 Robert R. Gilruth	1967 Abe Silverstein	1973 Kurt H. Debus
1962 C. Stark Draper	1968 William H. Pickering	1974 Rocco A. Petrone
1963 Robert J. Parks	1969 George M. Low	1975 Glynn Lunney

**Mechanics & Control of Flight Award**

Jointly sponsored by the Astrodynamics Technical Committee, Atmospheric Flight Mechanics Technical Committee and Guidance, Navigation and Control Technical Committee

The Mechanics and Control of Flight Award is presented for an outstanding recent technical or scientific contribution in the mechanics, guidance, or control of flight in space or the atmosphere. Generally given to an individual, a small team of colleagues (nominally one to four) that have collaborated on a technical contribution may be considered for the award.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1967 Derek Lawden	1986 Heinz Erzberger	2007 Shannon Coffey
1968 Robert Knox	1987 Leonard Meirovitch	2008 Ping Lu
1969 John Mayer	1988 William Phillips	2009 Eugene Lavretsky
1970 Irving Ashkenas	1989 Byron Tapley	2010 I. Michael Ross
1970 Duane McRuer	1990 Roger Diehl	2010 Fariba Fahroo
1971 Gregory Cherry	1991 F William Nesline	2011 Naira Hovakimyan
1971 Kenneth Cox	1992 Anthony Calise	2012 John L Crassidis
1971 William Widnall	1993 JerNan Juang	2013 Eugene Morelli
1972 John Breakwell	1994 Nguyen Vinh	2014 Maruthi Akella
1973 Henry Kelley	1995 Robert Culp	2015 Not awarded
1974 Harold Vaughn	1996 Vinod Modi	2016 Srinivas R Vadali
1975 Bernard Etkin	1997 David Schmidt	2017 Robert Skelton
1976 Charles Murphy	1998 Kyle Alfriend	2018 Hanspeter Schaub
1977 Joseph Chambers	1998 F. Landis Markley	2019 E. Glenn Lightsey
1977 William Gilbert	1999 George Born	2020 Christopher M. D'Souza
1978 Richard Battin	2000 Ronald Hess	2021 Fred Y. Hadaegh
1979 Morris Ostgaard	2000 Robert Stengel	2022 Mark L. Psiaki
1980 Arthur Bryson	2001 James Miller	2023 Robert H. Bishop
1981 Robert Farquhar	2002 John Prussing	2024 David G. Mitchell
1982 Angelo Miele	2003 Gottfried Sachs	2025 Ilya Kolmanovsky
1983 John Junkins	2004 Kevin Wise	2026 Michael A Bolender
1984 George Leitmann	2005 Michael Heller	
1985 Jason Speyer	2006 Bong Wie	

**Microgravity and Space Processing Award**

Microgravity and Space Processes Technical Committee

The Microgravity and Space Processing Award is presented for significant contributions in microgravity science, space processing or in furthering the use of microgravity for space processing.

This award was originally called the Space Processing Award. In 2021, it was renamed as Microgravity and Space Processing Award.

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline 1 July (odd-numbered years)

**Space Processing Award**

***Past Recipients***

1992 August Witt	2002 William Masica	2013 Donald Pettit
1994 Simon Ostrach	2004 Gerard Faeth	2015 James T'ien
1996 Lawrence DeLucas	2007 Paul Concus	2017 Mark Weislogel
1998 Martin Glicksman	2009 Not awarded	2019 Issam Mudawar
2000 Robert Rhome	2011 Not awarded	

Microgravity and Space Processing Award

2022 Carlos Fernandez-Pello

2026 Steven H Collicott

Missile Systems Award

Missile Systems Technical Committee

This award is presented for excellence in developing or implementing missile systems technology. It can be presented for a significant accomplishment in developing or implementing technology that is required for missile systems or for inspired leadership of missile systems programs. The candidate must have demonstrated expertise in fundamental technical disciplines that have led to substantial improvement in missile systems or innovative leadership that has established an environment in which creativity in missile system technology implementation can flourish and which led to the successful completion of a major program milestone by a government agency or an industry team.

Reactivated in 2018. This award is presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) and is generally presented at the AIAA Defense Forum.

- Nomination deadline: 1 October (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (even-numbered years)

**Past Recipients**

1982 John Buescher	1997 George Schneiter	2014 Eugene L. Fleeman
1983 Wayne Meyer	2000 William McCorkle	2015 Not awarded
1984 Vahey Kupelian	2004 Tony Lin	2016 Not awarded
1986 Daniel Tellep	2006 Not awarded	2017 Not awarded
1987 J. Michael Gorman	2007 Not awarded	2018 Not awarded
1988 Glenwood Clark	2008 Ernest Ohlmeyer	2019 G. Satheesh Reddy
1989 Frederick Corey	2009 Not awarded	2019 Rondell J. Wilson
1990 L David Montague	2010 William Carpenter	2021 Ralph H. Klestadt
1992 Mick Blackledge	2010 Louis Cassell	2023 Mark A. Weiner
1992 Jack Kalish	2011 Not awarded	2025 Gary A Sullins
1996 Peter Betterman	2012 Not awarded	
1996 Darell Harmon	2013 Not awarded	

Multidisciplinary Design Optimization Award

Multidisciplinary Design Optimization Technical Committee

Established in 1993, the Multidisciplinary Design Optimization Award is presented to an individual for outstanding contributions to the development and/or application of techniques of multidisciplinary design optimization in the context of aerospace engineering.

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (odd-numbered years)

**Past Recipients**

1994 Lucien Schmit	2006 Ramana Grandhi	2018 Evin Cramer
1996 Jaroslaw Sobieski	2008 Ilan Kroo	2019 Not awarded
1998 Raphael Haftka	2010 Achille Messac	2020 Raymond M. Kolonay
2000 Vipperla Venkayya	2012 Christina L Bloebaum	2022 Not awarded
2002 Garret Vanderplaats	2014 Robert Canfield	2024 Kumar G. Bhatia
2004 Prabhat Hajela	2016 Rakesh K Kapania	2026 Anne Gazaix

**Otto C. Winzen Lifetime Achievement Award**  
Balloon Systems Technical Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1993, the Otto C. Winzen Lifetime Achievement Award is presented for outstanding contributions and achievements in the advancement of free flight balloon systems or related technologies. It is presented in memory of Otto C. Winzen, a pioneer of modern day ballooning.

This award is presented biennially (in odd-numbered years) at either the AIAA Balloons Conference (co-located with the PIA Symposium when in the U.S.) or at the AIAA AVIATION Forum, when the PIA Symposium is outside of the U.S.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October (even-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (even-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

1991 Jean Nelson	2004 James Rand	2015 Not awarded
1994 Alfred Shipley	2005 Sigvard Stenlund	2017 Erich Klein
1996 Justin Smalley	2007 Arthur Gianetti	2019 Not awarded
1997 Charles Moore	2009 Loren Seely	2021 Rodger E. Farley
1999 James Winker	2011 W. Vernon Jones	2023 Not awarded
2003 Vincent Lally	2013 Danny Ball	2025 Not awarded

**Piper General Aviation Award**  
General Aviation Technical Committee

Formerly the General Aviation Award, the Piper General Aviation Award is presented for outstanding contributions leading to the advancement of general aviation; honoring William T. Piper, Sr., who made the name Piper synonymous with general aviation.

Beginning in 2010, the award is presented biennially (even numbered years) at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (odd-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

1979 Roger Winblade	1993 Richard Abbott	2008 Not awarded
1980 Donald Grommesh	1993 Edwin Hooper	2009 Not awarded
1981 William Wentz	1994 Charles Trimble	2010 Cessna Skycatcher Team
1982 Stanley Green	1995 Daniel Goldin	2012 Not awarded
1983 Gerald Gregorek	1996 Hubert Smith	2014 Mark Maughmer
1984 Joseph Stickle	1997 Sam Williams	2016 Gregor Veble Mikic
1985 David Ellis	1999 James Coyne	2016 Tine Tomazic
1986 Jan Roskam	2001 William Chana	2018 Norman Crabil
1987 Donald Bigler	2002 Karl Bergey	2020 Not awarded
1988 Joseph Johnson	2003 Not awarded	2022 Not awarded
1989 Fred Weick	2004 Vern Raburn	2024 Noel J. Duerksen
1990 Harry Zeisloft	2005 Neal Pfeiffer	2026 Not awarded
1991 Bruce Holmes	2006 Leo Burkardt	
1992 Edward King	2007 Not awarded	

**Plasmadynamics & Lasers Award**  
Plasmadynamics & Lasers Technical Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1991, the Plasmadynamics & Lasers Award is presented for outstanding contributions to the understanding of the physical properties and dynamical behavior of matter in the plasma state and lasers as related to need in aeronautics and astronautics.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1992 Abraham Hertzberg	2005 Wayne Solomon	2016 Eric J Jumper
1994 Ying Cha Lin “Susan” Wu	2006 Hiroyuki Yamasaki	2018 Martin Gundersen
1996 S. T. Wu	2007 George W Sutton	2019 James A. Horkovich
1997 Theodore Jacobs	2008 J. William Rich	2020 Mikhail N. Shneider
1998 Richard Rosa	2009 Charles Clendening	2021 David L. Carroll
1999 Lee Sentman	2010 Sterge Demetriades	2022 Sergey O. Macheret
2000 Wheeler McGregor	2011 Chul Park	2023 Not awarded
2001 George Emanuel	2012 Richard B Miles	2024 Kurt A. Polzin
2002 Yuri Raizer	2013 Joseph Verdeyen	2025 Mark A Cappelli
2003 Thomas Brogan	2014 John Lineberry	2026 Campbell D. Carter
2004 Joseph Shang	2015 Philip E Cassady	

**Propellants & Combustion Award**

Jointly sponsored by the Propellants and Combustion Technical Committee (Chair), Air Breathing Propulsion Systems Technical Committee, Gas Turbine Engines Technical Committee, High Speed Air Breathing Propulsion Technical Committee and Solid Rockets Technical Committee

First presented in 1990, the Propellants and Combustion Award is presented for outstanding technical contributions to aeronautical or astronautical combustion engineering.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1990 Arthur Lefebvre	2003 W. M. Roquemore	2016 Ahmed F Ghoniem
1991 Frank Marble	2004 Forman Williams	2017 Ken Bray
1992 William Sirignano	2005 Ronald Hanson	2018 Hai Wang
1993 Gerard Faeth	2006 Herman Krier	2019 Not awarded
1994 Chung Law	2007 Not awarded	2020 Meredith B. Colket III
1995 Kenneth Kuo	2008 Elaine Oran	2021 Yiguang JU
1996 Ben Zinn	2009 Vigor Yang	2022 Tim C. Lieuwen
1997 Hukam Mongia	2010 David Lilley	2023 Suresh Menon
1998 Irvin Glassman	2011 Richard A Yetter	2024 Jeffrey M. Cohen
1999 Ashwani Gupta	2012 Stephen B Pope	2025 Robert P. Lucht
2000 Dilip Ballal	2013 James Driscoll	2026 Fokion N Egolfopoulos
2001 James Peters	2014 Frederick L Dryer	
2002 John Buckmaster	2015 Mitchell Smooke	

**Space Automation & Robotics**

Space Automation & Robotics Technical Committee

Reactivated in 2005, the Space Automation and Robotics Award is presented for leadership and technical contributions by individuals and teams in the field of space automation and robotics.

- This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1996 The Charlotte Development Team, McDonnell Douglas Corporation	2013 Robotics 2 Team, NASA Johnson
1997 Sojourn Rover Development Team, Jet Propulsion Laboratory	2015 Not awarded
2007 Antal Bejczy	2017 Frank Cepollina
2009 Gerd Hirzinger	2019 Orbital Express Team
2011 ETS-VII/JEM Team, JAXA	2021 Not awarded
	2023 Not awarded

**Space Operations & Support Award**  
Space Operations Technical Committee

Established in 1991, the Space Operations & Support Award is presented for outstanding efforts in overcoming space operations problems and assuring success, and recognizes those teams or individuals whose exceptional contributions were critical to situations such as an anomaly recovery, crew rescue, space failure, etc.

- This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1993 ANIK-E Recovery Team  
1995 STS-61 Crew  
1997 JPL Galileo Team  
1999 Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous (NEAR) Team  
2001 NEAR Shoemaker Space Craft Mission Ops Team  
2003 Artemis Satellite Recovery Team-ESA, EDS-Astrium, Telespazio, Alenia Spazio  
2005 Mars Exploration Rover Project, Jet Propulsion Laboratory  
2007 NASA Thermal Protection System (TPS) Tile Repair and Reinforced Carbon-Carbon (RCC) Repair Teams  
2009 NASA Goddard Space Flight Center and Boeing Space and Intelligence Systems Tracking and Data Relay Satellites (TDRS)-I Team  
2011 Hayabushi Mission Operations Team, JAXA  
2013 Orbital Express Flight Team, NASA  
2015 Wind Operations Team, NASA Goddard Space Flight Center  
2017 NASA Johnson Space Center, University of Houston  
2019 Not awarded  
2021 Not awarded  
2019 Issam Mudawar  
2023 Not awarded

**Space Science Award**  
Space Systems Technical Committee

The Space Science Award, originally established in 1961, was presented to an investigator who distinguished himself through the achievement in studies of the physics of atmospheres of celestial bodies, or of the matter, fields, and dynamic and energy transfer processes occurring in space or experienced by space vehicles. Re-established in August 1998 with a broader scope, the Space Science Award is now presented to recognize demonstrated leadership of innovative scientific investigations associated with space science missions.

- This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1962 John Winkler	1977 Bruce Murray	1991 Michael Duke
1964 Herbert Friedman	1978 Laurence Peterson	1992 Peter Sturrock
1965 Eugene Parker	1979 James Pollack	1993 John Mather
1966 Francis Johnson	1980 Donald Hunten	1994 Lennard Fisk
1967 Robert Leighton	1981 Peter Banks	1995 James Westphal
1968 Kinsey Anderson	1982 James Van Allen	1996 Eugene Shoemaker
1969 Charles Sonnett	1983 Charles Barth	2000 Alan Binder
1970 Carl McIlwain	1984 Edward Stone	2002 Not awarded
1971 William Axford	1985 Gerry Neugebauer	2004 Steve Squyres
1972 Norman Ness	1986 Richard Johnson	2006 Stephan Price
1973 Paul Gast	1987 Frederick Scarf	2008 Michael A'Hearn
1974 John Wolfe	1988 Thomas Donahue	2010 Not awarded
1975 Murray Dryer	1989 Frank McDonald	2012 William Borkowski/ Kepler Science Team
1976 Riccardo Giacconi	1990 Alan Title	

2014 Spitzer Space Telescope, JPL	2018 Interface Region Imaging Spectrograph (IRIS) Science Team	2022 Not awarded
2016 Gravity Probe B Team, Stanford University	2020 Cold Atom Laboratory Team	2024 Not awarded
		2026 Not awarded

### **Space Systems Award**

Space Systems Technical Committee

Formerly the Spacecraft Design Award, the Space Systems Award is now presented to recognize outstanding achievements in the architecture, analysis, design, and implementation of space systems.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA ASCEND Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

#### ***Past Recipients***

1969 Otto Bartoe	1994 SpaceHab Team	2010 STP Sat-1 Team (Comtech AeroAstro Inc.)
1970 Maxime Faget	1995 Pierre Madon	2011 Tactical Satellite-3 (TacSat-3) Team, Space Based Hyperspectral Imaging, AFRL
1971 Anthony Iorillo	1996 Robert Minor	2012 Martin N Sweeting
1972 Thomas Kelly	1997 Ron Swanson	2013 LCROSS Team, NASA Ames
1973 Harold Rosen	1997 Ronald Symmes	2014 Michael Trela
1974 Harold Lassen	1998 Frank Culbertson	2015 Herschel and Planck Project Team, ESA
1975 Caldwell Johnson	1999 LANDSAT Team	2016 Cygnus Program Orbital ATK Space Systems Group
1977 Walter Lowrie	2000 CHANDRA X-Ray Observation Team	2017 Rick Nybakken
1978 Wernher von Braun	2001 NASA-Boeing-Industry-Int'l Partner ISS Team	2018 Marc Rayman
1979 John Casani	2002 Deep Space One Team	2019 Jess M. Sponable
1980 Charles Hall	2003 AFRL-Boeing XSS-10 Team	2020 Insight Flight Team-NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
1981 Krafft Ehrlicke	2004 James Wertz	2021 Ingenuity Mars Helicopter Team
1982 Angelo Gustaferrero	2005 Not awarded	2022 Mars 2020 Sampling and Caching System (SCS) Team
1983 Seymour Rubenstein	2006 Earth Observing System Team	2023 Not awarded
1984 Richard Kohrs	2007 XSS-11 Team: Air Force Research Laboratory Kirtland AFB and Lockheed Martin Corporation, Denver, Colorado	2024 DART Team – Elna Y. Adams; Elizabeth A. Congdon, Geoffrey Ottman, Evan J. Smith
1986 Robert Thompson	2008 TacSat-2 Spacecraft Team: MicoSat Systems Inc., Air Force Research Laboratory-Kirtland AFB, and Air Force Research Laboratory-Edwards AFB	2026 Johns Hopkins APL Parker Solar Probe Team
1988 John Dassoulas	2009 Indian Space Research Organization, Chandrayaan-1 Mission	
1988 Michael Griffin		
1988 Mike Rendine		
1989 Arnold Aldrich		
1989 Robert Crippen		
1989 Richard Hugo Truly		
1990 W Hook		
1992 John Jamieson		
1992 Edward Noneman		
1992 Robert Walquist		
1992 Victor White		
1993 Donald Krueger		

### **Structures, Structural Dynamics, & Materials Award**

Jointly sponsored by: Structures Technical Committee (Chair), Structural Dynamics Technical Committee, and Materials Technical Committee

Established in 1967, the Structures, Structural Dynamics, & Materials Award is presented to an individual who has been responsible for an outstanding sustained technical or scientific contribution in aerospace structures, structural dynamics, or materials. It is Not awarded in the years that the Walter J. and Angeline H. Crichlow Trust Prize, AIAA-ASC James H. Starnes Award or Ashley Award for Aeroelasticity are presented.

This biennial award (even numbered years) is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 June 2025 / Reference Deadline 1 July 2025

***Past Recipients***

1968 John Houbolt	1984 Eric Reissner	2001 Edward Crawley
1969 Holt Ashley	1985 Chintsun Hwang	2002 Inderjit Chopra
1970 Joseph Van Dyke	1986 Bryan Noton	2004 Kumar Bhatia
1971 Nicholas Hoff	1987 James Mar	2005 Terry Weisshaar
1972 M Jonathan Turner	1988 Satya Atluri	2006 John Dugundji
1973 Robert Schwartz	1989 Mike Dubberly	2008 Henry Yang
1974 William Cowie	1990 Richard Gallagher	2010 Charbel Farhat
1975 Theodore Pian	1991 H Abramson	2012 Not awarded
1976 Charles Tiffany	1992 Burt Rutan	2014 Daniel Inman
1978 Warren Stauffer	1993 Thomas Arthurs	2016 Anthony Waas
1979 Lucien Schmit	1994 Robert Ryan	2018 Dewey Hodges
1980 Earl Dowell	1996 Peretz Friedmann	2020 Stephen P. Engelstad
1981 Richard Heldenfels	1997 Chin-Teh Sun	2024 Carlos E. Cesnik
1982 John Wykes	1998 Christos Chamis	
1983 Leonard Meirovitch	2000 George Springer	

***Support Systems Award***

The Support Systems Award was established in 1975 and was presented for significant contributions to the overall effectiveness of aerospace systems through the development of improved support systems technology. This award has been discontinued.

***Past Recipients***

1976 Gene Petry	1984 Harry Seaman	1990 Robert Mager
1977 Thomas Ellison	1985 Oscar Sepp	1991 Jeffrey Drew
1979 Joseph O'Rourke	1986 John Hart	1992 Robert Brown
1980 John Kiker	1987 John McHaffie	1993 William Robertson
1982 George Marron	1988 Lewis Israelitt	
1983 Richard Adam	1989 William Rogers	

***Systems Effectiveness and Safety Award***

First presented in 1975, this award was presented for outstanding contributions to the field of system effectiveness and safety or its related disciplines. This award was discontinued in 2005.

***Past Recipients***

1975 Anthony Smith	1983 John de Coutinho	1991 Bryan O'Connor
1976 Lawrence Guess	1984 Paul Dick	1992 Jerrell Stracener
1977 Thomas Matteson	1985 Gerald Katt	1993 George Rodney
1977 F. Stanley Nowlan	1986 Robert Percy	1994 Walter Hoggard
1979 Willis Willoughby	1987 Charles Miller	1996 Gary Johnson
1980 I Pinkel	1988 Robert Abernethy	1996 Boris Sotnikov
1981 George Hirschberger	1989 Frank Goodell	1997 Pat Clemens
1982 Thomas House	1990 John Tsirimokos	

***Theodor W. Knacke Aerodynamic Decelerator Systems Award***

Aerodynamic Decelerator Technical Committee

The Theodor W. Knacke Aerodynamic Decelerator Systems Award is presented to recognize significant contributions to the advancement of aeronautical or aerospace systems through research, development and application of the art and science of aerodynamic decelerator technology.

This award is presented biennially (in even-numbered years) at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October (odd-numbered years) / Reference Deadline: 1 November (odd-numbered years)

***Past Recipients***

1979 Helmut Heinrich	1994 Robert Rodier	2013 Gary Thibault
1981 Theodor Knacke	1995 Carl Peterson	2015 Robert J Sinclair
1984 Herman Engel	1996 Matts Lindgren	2017 Elsa Hennings
1986 Domina Jalbert	1997 J Stephen Lingard	2019 Ricardo A. Machin
1986 William Pepper	1999 Dean Wolf	2020 Not awarded
1988 John Kiker	2001 Phillip Delurgio	2021 Not awarded
1989 David Cockrell	2003 Vance Behr	2022 Benjamin A. Tutt
1990 Maurice Gionfriddo	2005 Roy Fox	2024 Not awarded
1991 Donald Johnson	2007 Glen Brown	2026 Jean Potvin
1992 James Reuter	2009 Charles H Lowry	
1993 Karl Doherr	2011 Edwin Vickery	

**Thermophysics Award**

Thermophysics Technical Committee

The Thermophysics Award was established in 1975 and is presented for an outstanding singular or sustained technical or scientific contribution by an individual in thermophysics, specifically as related to the study and application of the properties and mechanisms involved in thermal energy transfer and the study of environmental effects on such properties and mechanisms.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1976 Donald Edwards	1993 Robert Siegel	2011 Ramesh K Agarwal
1977 Chang Tien	1994 Chul Park	2012 Bernard Laub
1978 Allie Smith	1995 Fred DeJarnette	2013 Gerry Schneider
1979 Raymond Viskanta	1996 G. P. Peterson	2014 Van P Carey
1980 George W. Sutton	1997 John Bertin	2015 Sumanta Acharya
1981 Walter Olstad	1998 Amir Faghri	2016 George R Cunningham
1982 Richard Bobco	1999 Hassan Hassan	2017 Bruce Drolen
1983 Stanford Penner	2001 Suren Tiwari	2018 Iain D. Boyd; Robyn Macdonald
1984 Tom Love	2002 Frederick Blottner	2019 Not awarded
1985 Milan Yovanovich	2003 Ping Cheng	2020 Tom I-Ping Shih
1986 John Howe	2004 Je-Chin Han	2021 Zhuomin Zhang
1987 Alfred Crosbie	2005 Daniel Reda	2022 Karen A. Thole
1988 Graeme Bird	2006 Carl Scott	2023 Michael Wright
1989 James Moss	2007 Graham Candler	2024 Not awarded
1990 John Howell	2008 Michael Modest	2025 Deborah A Levin
1991 Peter Gnoffo	2009 E Vincent Zoby	2026 Christopher O. Johnston
1992 L. S. "Skip" Fletcher	2010 Datta Gaitonde	

**von Braun Award for Excellence in Space Program Management**

Space Systems Technical Committee and Management Technical Committee

Approved by the Board of Directors in 1987, the von Braun Award for Excellence in Space Program Management gives national recognition to an individual(s) for outstanding contributions in the management of a significant space or space-related program or project. The award honors the contributions of Dr. Wernher von Braun, who was one of the world's first and foremost rocket engineers, leading to advancements in U.S. space exploration.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA AVIATION Forum.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 October / Reference Deadline: 1 November

***Past Recipients***

1988 Samuel Phillips	2001 Han Hwangbo	2014 Frank J Cepollina
1989 Samuel Hoffman	2002 Not awarded	2015 John T Sheridan
1990 James Thompson	2003 Brewster Shaw	2016 Todd A May
1991 Forrest McCartney	2004 Not awarded	2017 Not awarded
1992 Thomas Lee	2005 Alexander McCool	2018 Thomas Doukas Taverney
1993 Aaron Cohen	2006 Byron Wood	2019 Chris M. Crumbly
1994 Minoru Araki	2007 Glen Fountain	2020 Kim A. Cooper, Andrew S. Driesman, Patrick Hill
1995 Arthur Obenshain	2008 Not awarded	2021 Fuk Li
1996 James Noblitt	2009 Not awarded	2023 John M. Grunsfeld
1997 Robert Lovell	2010 Wanda Austin	2024 Not awarded
1998 Richard Kline	2011 William Gerstenmaier	2025 Thomas Zurbuchen
1999 Christine Anderson	2012 James B Armor, Jr.	2026 Leonard Zentz
2000 Robert Pattishall	2013 Eugene Tattini	

**Walter J. and Angeline H. Crichlow Trust Prize**

Appointed Judging Committee

The Walter J. and Angeline H. Crichlow Trust Prize was established in 1994 and is presented for excellence in aerospace materials, structural design, structural analysis, or structural dynamics. The recipient receives a \$100,000 honorarium provided through the AIAA Foundation. The Prize is presented every four years generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

The next award will be in 2027.

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June 2026 / Reference Deadline: 1 July 2026

***Past Recipients***

1995 Robert Ryan	2007 Earl Dowell	2019 Larry B. Ilcewicz
1999 Lucien Schmit	2011 C. T. Sun	2023 Inderjit Chopra
2003 Paul Paris	2015 Satya Atluri	

**Wyld Propulsion Award**

Jointly sponsored by: Electric Propulsion Technical Committee, Liquid Propulsion Technical Committee, Solid Rockets Technical Committee and Nuclear and Future Flight Technical Committee

The Propulsion Award and the James H. Wyld Memorial Award honoring the developer of the regeneratively-cooled rocket engine were combined in 1964 to become the James H. Wyld Propulsion Award. In 1975 the name was again modified to the Wyld Propulsion Award, which is now presented for outstanding achievement in the development or application of rocket propulsion systems.

This annual award is generally presented at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination Deadline: 1 June / Reference Deadline 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1976 Howard Seifer	1982 Lloyd F. Kohrs	1987 A. G. Casey
1977 Martin Summerfield	1983 Gerry R. Makepeace	1988 David Byers
1978 William C. Rice	1984 Rudi Beichel	1989 James R. Sides
1979 Derald A. Stuart	1985 Rolf Bruenner	1990 J. Michael Murphy
1980 Howard W. Douglass	1985 Adolf Obert	1991 Thomas F. Davidson
1981 John Kincaid	1986 Dominick Sanchini	1992 Robert L. Sackheim

1993 Allan J. McDonald  
1994 Richard R. Weiss  
1995 John R. Osborn  
1996 Richard H. Sforzini  
1997 Leonard H. Caveny  
1998 Herman Krier  
1999 Not awarded  
2000 Not awarded  
2001 Franklin Chang-Diaz  
2002 Yvonne Brill  
2003 Stanley Gunn

2004 Thomas Boggs  
2005 Ghanshyam Purohit  
2006 Frank Curran  
2007 Frederick Boorady  
2008 Paul Wilbur  
2009 William A. Sirignano  
2010 Russell Ellis  
2011 Kenneth Kuo  
2012 Robert G. Jahn  
2013 Not awarded  
2014 Roger M. Myers

2015 R. Carl Stechman  
2016 Gary A. Flandro  
2018 T. Kent Pugmire  
2019 Stanley Borowski  
2020 Alec D. Gallimore  
2021 Stephen D. Heister  
2022 Daniel J. Dorney  
2023 Rodney L. Burton  
2024 Joseph Majdalani  
2025 Alon Gany  
2026 Vlad J. Hruby

***Past Recipients (Under the James H. Wyld Propulsion Award)***

1964 no award presented  
1965 Werner R. Kirchner  
1966 Maurice J. Zuckrow  
1967 Adelbert O. Tischler

1968 Harold B. Finger  
1969 Harold R. Kaufman  
1970 Hans G. Paul  
1970 Roderick Spence  
1971 Luigi M. Crocco

1972 Karl Klager  
1973 Gerard W. Elverum, Jr.  
1974 Clarence W. Schnare  
1975 James Lazar  
1975 Norman C. Reuel

***Past Recipients (Under the James H. Wyld Memorial Award)***

1954 Milton W. Rosen  
1955 John P. Stapp  
1956 Louis G. Dunn  
1957 William H. Pickering

1958 Holger N. Toftoy  
1959 K.J. Bossard  
1960 Robert L. Johnson  
1961 Harrison A. Storms

1962 William F. Raborn  
1963 Joseph S. Bleymaier

***Past Recipients (Under the Propulsion Award)***

1948 Frank Malina  
1949 James A. Van Allen  
1950 Leslie Skinner  
1951 William Avery  
1952 A.L. Antonio  
1953 Charles E. Bartley

1954 Harold W. Ritchey  
1955 D.S. Miller  
1956 Bruce H. Sage  
1957 Levering Smith  
1958 Barnet R. Adelman  
1959 Ernest Roberts

1960 Ernst Stuhlinger  
1961 Robert B. Young  
1962 Samuel K. Hoffman  
1963 David Altman

## EDUCATOR AND STUDENT AWARDS

Through this category of awards, AIAA salutes aerospace educators, faculty, and student members in AIAA branches.

### *AIAA Foundation Educator Achievement Award*

STEM K-12 Outreach Committee

Each year, the AIAA Foundation hosts its Educator Achievement Award, which honors three (3) outstanding K-12 educators for their contribution to the continued study of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics within the classroom and beyond.

➤ Nomination Deadline: 1 December

#### ***Past Recipients***

1997 Juanita Ryan Carol Hodanbosi Stephen Rocketto Juliet Sisk Cyndee Collier Angela DiNapoli	Terry Sue Fanning Dolores Garay Brian Jackson Paula Leavitt Chantelle Rose Bradley Staats	Lisa Damian-Marvin Joan Labay-Marquez Sean McCullough Deborah Swan James Weber
1999 Virginia Davis Dan Caron Carolyn Harden John Henrici Alan Horowitz Anthony Matarazzo Sue McInerney Paul Stengel	2007 Kareen Borders Russ Billings Lori Derf Richard Glueck Ricardo Soria Timothy Spuck Nancy Tashima	2015 Paul Wiedorn Kaci Heins Gary Garber Heather L. Stewart Mohamad Barbarji
2001 Sara Ewing Kathleen Foy Karen Hall Linda Jernigan Penny Valentini David Weidow Stephanie Wright	2009 Richard Crawford Kenneth Huff Susan Jukosky Lynn Marie Kollar Rachael Lee Manzer Jeri Ann Martin Jessica van Son	2017 Alexandra Kindrat Tracey Dodrill David Root Kevin Simmons Kathy Biernat
2003 Ellen Holmes Christian Laster Jennifer Linrud Sinsel Angela Mitchell Joy Reeves Brett Williams Tanya Wright	2011 Christy Garvin Penny Glackman Roger Kassebaum Benjamin McLuckie Christopher Miko Carl Steven Rapp Jill Guisberg Wall	2019 Charlotte Cook Patricia Palazzolo Megan L. Tucker
2005 Brendan Casey	2013 Lanena Berry Elizabeth Dabrowski	2020 Elizabeth. L. Bero Beth M. Leavitt Scott McComb
		2021 Suzanne Banas Leesa J. Hubbard Mark Westlake

In 2022, this award was renamed as *Trailblazing STEM Educator Award*

2022 Cedri Turner Jackie Blumer	Jennifer L. Cheesman Kellie Taylor Katrina Williams
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2023  
Caroline Little  
Aymette Medina  
Taylor Whisenant

2025  
Kelsy Achtenberg  
Allan Miller  
Kevin L. Simmons

2024  
Jenn Donais  
Sarah Leonard  
Darryl Newhouse

2026  
Laurie Hamzik  
Kenji Nomura  
Lillian Reynolds

**AIAA Foundation Abe M. Zarem Award for Distinguished Achievement**

Student Activities Committee

The Abe M. Zarem Graduate Student Award was established by AIAA and Dr. Abe M. Zarem as a means for students pursuing advanced degrees (master's level candidates) in aeronautics and astronautics to showcase their talent and work.

The identified master's level winner in both/either area, aeronautics and astronautics, will receive distinctive medal trophy at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech). in recognition of their technical excellence. The student will also receive a travel stipend to present his or her work at the established biennial International Congress of the Aeronautical Sciences or the annual International Astronautical Federation Congress.

- Application deadline: 1 May

***Past Recipients***

**Aeronautics**

1990 John Crepeau  
1992 Alan K. Minga  
1993 William Crossley  
1994 Richard S. Miller  
1995 Roxana Agosta-Greenman  
1996 Gregory G. Steen  
1997 Peter C. Holland  
1998 Mayuresh J. Patil  
1999 Ryan P. Starkey  
2000 Joel Grasmeyer  
2001 Sonja Flesberg  
2002 Shin Matsumura  
2003 Christopher Wright  
2004 James Stack  
2005 Thomas Singer  
2006 Thomas Farrell  
2007 John Crane  
2008 Roelof Vos  
2009 Joshua Butler  
2010 Richard Callahan  
2011 Michael Isenberg  
2012 Evan L. Martin  
2013 Sudhanshu Jain  
2014 Not awarded  
2015 Not awarded  
2016 Christopher Lyne  
2017 Not awarded  
2018 Geoffrey Andrews

**Astronautics**

Not awarded  
Not awarded  
Eric M. Flint  
James P. Smith  
Matthew R. Jardin  
Ronald Rosner  
Paul D. Merritt  
Paul Cataldi  
Robert T. Bocchieri  
Jeff Marchetta  
Kristin Culler  
Ronald Rosner, Rodrigo da Costa  
Krystal Paker  
Brian Anderson  
Chris Brunner  
Shawn Taylor  
Frederick Leve  
Phillip Cunio  
Lauren Kanner  
Adam Cowling  
Michael Jonell  
Kyle A. Godin  
Charles Haddad  
Eliseo Iglesias  
Armando Gomez-Farias  
Ayodeji Bode-Oke  
Langston Williams  
Ken Mitchell

2019 Cole Anderson	Johnie Sublet
2020 Not awarded	Sandeep Baskar (co-awarded)
2020 Not awarded	Aaron Afriat (co-awarded)
2021 Karl Roush	Not Awarded
2022 Rudy Al-Ahmar	Joseph Day
2023 Stephen Monroe	Quentin Roberts
2025 Not awarded	Mohammed Abir Mahdi and Shafi Al Salman Romeo
2024 Not awarded	Mohammed Abir Mahdi and Shafi Al Salman Romeo
2026 Luke Busse	Patrick Eid

**AIAA Foundation Abe M. Zarem Faculty Award**  
Student Activities Committee

The Abe M. Zarem Faculty Award was established by AIAA and Dr. Abe M. Zarem to emphasize the fact that faculty advisors play a very important role to students. This award is presented to the faculty advisors of the students who receive the Abe M. Zarem Award for Distinguished Achievement.

Each faculty advisor will receive a certificate of citation at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SCITECH) in recognition of their careful mentorship and guidance of their students.

- Nomination deadline: 1 May

***Past Recipients***

Aeronautics	Astronautics
2001 George Lesieutre	Ray Taghavi
2002 John Rusek	J. A. Mulder
2003 Elgin Anderson	Uri Shumlak
2004 Ömer Savas	Peter Gnoffo
2005 Peter Ifju	Robert Blanchard
2006 L. Scott Miller	Joseph Prah
2007 Norman Fitz-Coy	Ben Zinn
2008 Ronald Barrett	Geoffrey Landis
2009 Kenneth Visser	Brian Hynek
2010 Ephraim Garcia	Jeffrey Robinson
2011 Ephraim Garcia	James Menart
2012 Lesley Wright	Adam Huang
2013 Suresh K Aggarwal	Joseph C. Majdalani
2014 Not awarded	Harry Millwater, Jr.
2015 Not awarded	Arturo Montoya
2016 Amrutur V. Anilkumar	Haibo Dong
2017 Not awarded	Joseph Majdalani
2018 Gregory A Blaisdell	Jeffrey G Marchetta
2019 Roberto Albertani	Dimitri Mavris
2020 Not awarded	Not Awarded
2021 Dimitri Mavris	Not Awarded
2022 Joseph Majdalani	Matt Quinlan
2023 Carl Knowlen	Chunlei Liang
2024 Not awarded	Zhao Wei
2025 Not awarded	Zhao Wei
2026 Manish Kuma	Joseph Majdalani

**Faculty Advisor Award**  
Student Activities Committee

The Faculty Advisor Award is presented to the faculty advisor of a chartered AIAA Student Branch who, in the opinion of student branch members and the AIAA Student Activities Committee, has made outstanding contributions as a student branch faculty advisor, as evidenced by the record of his or her student branch in local,

regional, and Institute activities. For this award, the nomination must include one letter of endorsement from either a student branch officer or current student member of the appropriate student branch plus 2 letters of endorsement from AIAA members.

***Past Recipients***

1985 James Marchman	2003 James McBrayer	2023 Not awarded
1986 Stanley Lowy	2004 D Brian Landrum	2024 Not awarded
1987 Gerald Gregorek	2005 John Valasek	2025 Not awarded
1988 John Whitesides	2006 Jed Marquart	2026 Mohammad Ayoubi
1989 John LaGraff	2007 Donna Gerren	Wout De Backer
1990 H. Fred Nelson	2008 Andrew Arena	Danilo de Camargo Branco
1991 Paul Hermann	2009 Eric Besnard	Michael Denn
1992 George Matthews	2010 W. Jerry Bowman	Mostafa Hassanalain
1993 L Michael Freeman	2011 Robert G Melton	Arif Malik
1994 Russell Cummings	2012 David C. Fleming	
1995 James Wade	2013 John Armstrong	
1996 Donald Ward	2014 Not awarded	
1998 Willy Sadeh	2015 Joseph Majdalani	
1999 Frederick Lutze	2016 Amrutur V. Anikumar	
2000 Randy Truman	2017 Farhan Gandhi	
2001 Sheryl Grace	2018 Not awarded	
2002 L Scott Miller	2019 Not awarded	
	2020 Not awarded	
	2021 Not awarded	
	2022 Not awarded	

**AIAA Foundation International Student Conference Awards**  
Student Activities Committee

The AIAA Foundation presents these awards to the authors of the best papers presented in the undergraduate and graduate classifications during the AIAA International Student Conference. Along with a medal, certificate of citation, recipients receive a \$500 honorarium. In 2009, a team classification was added and in 2011 a community outreach award was added. Recipients receive a certificate of citation.

The awards are generally presented during the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech).

- Nomination deadline: 1 July

***Past Recipients***

1948 N. Y. Rothmayer	1959 Gordon H. Miller	1968 James Saravo
1948 Abe Bernstein	1960 Julian I. Palmore III	1969 Donald H. Tanaka
1948 F. D. Linzer	1960 Richard J. Hayes	1969 Samuel E. Logan
1948 A. Sherman	1960 James M. Glassmeyer	1970 Gary S. Settles
1949 Leon Cooper	1960 Charles A. Huebner	1970 A. Craig Hansen
1950 E. Knuth	1961 Ronald W. Winston	1070 Neal Finston
1950 C. Beighley	1961 Franklin J. Kosdon	1971 Steven B. Sutto
1951 David Elliott	1961 Bengt U. Sonnerup	1971 Ven Chun Ting
1951 L. Rosenthal	1962 Ronald W. Winston	1972 John J. Barnaski
1952 Richard W. Foster	1962 Louis Shultz	1972 Humberto Aquino
1953 Alfred Goldenberg	1962 Alfred P. Pinchak	1972 Richard Lamontagne
1955 Richard W. Foster	1964 Richard C. Lessman	1973 Basil E. Robbins
1956 James B. Blackmon	1965 Lawrence E. Iwan	1973 Basil S. Papadale Jr.
1956 Donald L. Crabtree	1965 Burt Rutan	1974 V. S. Vijjiya Shankar
1957 John Reece Roth	1965 Steven A. Christ	1974 Paul R. Schatzle
1958 Thomas E. Goodwin	1965 Donald D. McBride	1975 Ganapathy V. Ranjan
1958 Carl F. Lorenzo	1966 Richard B. White	1975 Val M. Heinz
1958 Frederick H. Reardon	1966 Gerald F. Hall	1977 David A. McCurdy
1959 Thomas M. Conrad	1967 Peter J. Turchi	1977 G. Wade Adams
	1967 John W. Cipolla Jr.	1977 David R. Stinebring
	1968 Gerald E. Driggers	1978 Dudley E. Smith
	1968 Donald E. Spongberg	1978 David L. Keese

1979 Carolyn S. Major  
 1979 Jonathan A. Laitone  
 1980 Ronald Cox  
 1980 Kaydon A. Stanzione  
 1981 John M. Abernathy  
 1981 Eric R. Betzig  
 1982 Milton E. Vaughn Jr.  
 1982 Andre A. Gerner  
 1982 Frederick H. Reardon  
 1983 Vincent J. Bilardo Jr.  
 1983 James W. Denham Jr.  
 1984 Mark Geyer  
 1984 Robert M. Spangler  
 1985 Melissa Dixon  
 1985 Dale G. Stuart  
 1986 Carl G. Schaefer Jr.  
 1986 Joseph Baldwin  
 1987 Ira Astrachan  
 1987 Franklin J. Kosdon  
 1987 Patrick Magari  
 1988 Thomas A. Kaye  
 1988 Jeffrey R. Crierie  
 1989 Paul Clement  
 1989 Carlos Rodriques  
 1989 Christine Bloebaum  
 1990 Taunya Boitnott  
 1990 Lawrence Chew  
 1991 Ian Sobieski  
 1991 Randall Clarksean  
 1992 Deborah Henry  
 1992 Terry Jones  
 1992 James Walker II  
 1993 Paul Stach  
 1993 Beth Kader  
 1993 Rebecca Squires  
 1994 David Cutter  
 1994 Matt Jardin  
 1995 Stephen Vargo  
 1995 Adam Zaricki  
 1996 Peter Holland  
 1996 Ryan Hudson  
 1997 Alice Liu  
 1997 Ihssane Mounir  
 1998 Robert T. Bocchieri  
 1998 Carlos A. Guadamos  
 1998 Brian M. Menges  
 1999 Zachary C. Hoisington  
 1999 Jeffrey J. Mach  
 2000 Anthony Vinciquerra  
 2000 Scott Foster  
 2000 Michael Murdin  
 2001 Sonja Flesberg  
 2001 Amanda Green  
 2002 Tracy Nettleblad  
 2002 Cheryl Johnston  
 2002 Nicole Key  
 2003 Katie Grantham  
 2003 Chad M. Berman  
 2004 Mujahid Abdulrahim  
 2004 James Gregory  
 2005 Joel Hall  
 2005 Atul Ganpatye  
 2006 Richard Bramlett  
 2006 Ryan Leurck  
 2006 Richard Clark  
 2007 Matthew Karmondy  
 2007 Ryan Dygert  
 2008 Margaret Frash  
 2008 Brittany Oligney  
 2008 Laurren Kanner  
 2009 Jason Leggett  
 2009 James Villarreal  
 2009 University of Colorado-Boulder  
 2010 Daniel Gerber  
 2010 Giulio Romanelli  
 2010 Arizona St Univ Daedalus  
 Team  
 2011 Gary Cai, Jason Ting  
 2011 University of Michigan-Ann  
 Arbor  
 2012 Braden J. Hancock  
 2012 Erica G. Hocking  
 2012 University of Southern  
 California  
 2012 Victor Lopez  
 2013 Braden J Hancock  
 2013 Lt. Victor Jesus Lopez  
 2013 Erica G. Hocking  
 2013 Steven Alexander Leverett  
 2013 William L. Murray, III  
 2014 Edward Nickel  
 2014 Andrew S Fist  
 2014 Austin Ventura  
 2015 Robert Swasey  
 2015 Charlie Shields  
 2015 Braden J Hancock  
 2015 Timothy Nysetvold  
 2015 Lt Jonathan Tsosie, I  
 2016 Lt. Robert S Larson  
 2016 Jan Schneiders  
 2016 Daniel R Stralka  
 2016 Erick R Shelley  
 2016 Jason Wolf  
 2016 Lauren Brunacini  
 2017 Ashley M Scharfenberg  
 2017 Ben Stringer  
 2017 Daniel Nowicki  
 2017 Scott G Mende  
 2017 Trevor Luke  
 2017 Daniel Johnson  
 2017 Colton S. Hall  
 2017 Gabriel A Frank  
 2017 Darren D. Combs  
 2017 Kimberly E Dutour  
 2017 Chris I VanDamme  
 2017 Mia Lee  
 2018 David Coleman  
 2018 Calvin Buechler  
 2018 Rhiannon K.R. Kirby  
 2019 Matthew J. Schwartz  
 2019 Ryan Clay  
 2019 Benjamin J. Davis  
 2019 Katherine Fowee  
 2019 Noah C. Franks  
 2019 Matthew F. Fuehne  
 2019 Margaret Linker  
 2019 Steven M. Pugia  
 2019 Anna C. Demoret  
 2020 Shrivathsav Seshan, Athreya  
 Gundamraj, Kunal Gangolli, and  
 Wyatt Hoppa  
 2020 Collin O'Neill  
 2020 Stephanie Cottier and  
 Christopher Combs  
 2021 Matthew Groll, Kalpana  
 Ganeshan, Swati Ravi, Natasha Dada,  
 Adrien Stein, and Sophia Kolak  
 2021 Jeffrey Chen  
 2021 Spencer Stahl  
 2022 Luis Pabon Madrid, Rithvik  
 Musuku, Tanmay Gupta, Isabella  
 Dula, Malcolm Tisdale, Isabella  
 Dula, Leah Soldner, Polina  
 Verkhovodova, Jules Penot, Kaila  
 Coimbra, and Soon-Jo Chung  
 2022 Brandon White  
 2022 Meagan Munro  
 2023 Francis Centlivre  
 2023 Jacob Szymanski, Molly  
 Ellinger, and Casey Fanglely,  
 2023 Caroline Dixon, Cody Watson,  
 and Nathan Kuczun  
 2024 Ryan Thibaudeau  
 2024 Casey Fagley, Patrick Koenig,  
 Joseph Roy, and Lucas Yantis  
 2024 Georgia Warren  
 2025 Anthony Otlowski, Varun  
 Natarajan, Braden Anderson, Ehan  
 Heyns, Tristan Terry, Rithvik  
 Nagaranjan, Callum MacDonald, and  
 Michael Krause  
 2025 Nathan Eller  
 2025 Olivia Hilburn

**J. Leland Atwood Award**

Jointly sponsored by AIAA and ASEE Aerospace Division

The J. Leland Atwood Award, established in 1985, is bestowed annually upon an aerospace engineering educator in recognition of outstanding contributions to the profession. Atwood entered AVIATION / ASCEND when it was little more than experimentation in a daring sport. Nevertheless, he believed that this new field would be a cornerstone of our national security and serve as a principal medium of world commerce. As an outstanding engineer and a leader of a great corporation, Atwood played a major role in the development of AVIATION / ASCEND and aerospace technologies for more than 50 years.

Administration of the award resides at ASEE. This annual award, endowed by Rockwell Collins, consists of a honorarium and a certificate presented by ASEE at their summer conference. In addition AIAA presents a certificate of citation and a distinctive engraved medal generally at the AIAA Science and Technology Forum (SciTech). Nominations should be submitted to [www.asee.org](http://www.asee.org) and are due by COB 15 January.

***Past Recipients***

1974 Ben Pollard	1991 Robert Nelson	2011 E Glenn Lightsey
1975 Jack Fairchild	1992 Jack Kerrebrock	2012 Not awarded
1976 Barnes McCormick	1993 Richard Desautel	2013 Mark Maughmer
1977 Stanley Lowy	1995 Robert Culp	2014 John Valasek
1978 Robert Brodsky	1996 Roy Craig	2015 Narayanan M Komerath
1979 Donnell Dutton	1997 Leland Carlson	2016 John Crassidis
1980 Thomas Mueller	1999 Robert Bishop	2017 Hanspeter Schaub
1981 Ira Jacobson	2000 Stephen Batill	2018 Joseph Majdalani
1982 L. S. "Skip" Fletcher	2002 Peter Torvik	2019 Azad M. Madni
1983 Robert Young	2003 John LaGraff	2020 Bryon D. Tapley
1984 Wallace Fowler	2004 Joseph Schetz	2021 Saeed Farokhi
1985 Gordon Oates	2005 Allen Plotkin	2022 John P. Sullivan
1986 Conrad Newberry	2006 William Garrard	2023 Not awarded
1987 Jan Roskam	2007 Helen Reed	2024 Stephen D. Heister
1988 John Junkins	2008 Awatef Hamed	2025 Ashwani K Gupta
1989 John Anderson	2009 Not awarded	
1990 Walter Haisler	2010 Ramesh Agarwal	

## SECTION AWARDS

The Section Awards honor particularly notable achievements made by member sections in a range of activities that help fulfill the Institute's mission. The Institute believes that vital, active sections are essential to its success.

Section awards are made annually in five categories based on the size of each section's membership. Each winning section receives a certificate and a cash award — \$500 for first Place: \$200 for second, and \$100 for third. The award period covered is June 1 through May 31. Each recipient receives a certificate of citation.

### *Outstanding Section Award*

The Outstanding Section Award is presented to sections based upon their overall activities and contributions throughout the year.

#### **2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Breanne Sutton, section chair  
Second Place: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey, section chair  
Third Place: China Lake, Jeff Scott, section chair

Small:

First Place: Sydney, Evan Smith, section chair  
Second Place: Savannah, Jason Riopelle, section chair  
Third Place (tie): Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina, section chair  
Third Place (tie): Vandenberg, Keegan McCoy, section chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Brian Biswell, section chair  
Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair  
Third Place: Southwest Texas, Joan Labay-Marquez, section chair  
Honorable Mention: Wichita, Mike Brennon, section chair

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Katherine Kucharski, section chair  
Second Place: Northern Ohio, James Gilland, section chair  
Third Place: Orange County, Amir S. Gohardani, section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Kurt Polzin, section chair  
Second Place: Hampton Roads, Craig Hutchinson, section chair  
Third Place: Los Angeles/Las Vegas, Jeff Puschell, section chair  
Honorable Mention: Dayton/Cincinnati, Michael List, section chair

#### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Breanne Sutton, Section Chair  
Second Place: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey, Section Chair  
Third Place: Wisconsin, Rob Michalak, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Sydney, Benjamin Morrell, Section Chair  
Second Place: Savannah, Ted Meyer, Section Chair  
Third Place (tie): Northern New Jersey, Raymond Trohanowsky, Section Chair, and Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina, Section Chair

Medium

First Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair

Second Place: Tucson, Brian Biswell, Section Chair

Third Place(tie): Tennessee, Joseph Sheeley, Section Chair and Wichita, Linda Kliment, Section Chair

Large

First Place: Northern Ohio, James Gilland, Section Chair

Second Place (tie): Orange County, Chase Schulze, Section Chair, and San Diego, Stevie Jacobson, Section Chair

Third Place: St. Louis, Robert Dowgwillo, Section Chair

Very Large

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Brandon Stiltner, Section Chair

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Brian Gulliver, Section Chair

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Alaa Elmilgui, Section Chair

### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, David Fox, Section Chair

Second Place: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Savannah, Suzanne Swaine, Section Chair

Second Place: Sydney, Arnab Dasgupta, Section Chair

Third Place: Palm Beach, Randy Parsley, Section Chair

Medium

First Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair

Second Place: Tucson, Eric Hoffman-Watt, Section Chair

Third Place: Wichita, Linda Kliment, Section Chair

Large

First Place: San Diego, Ioana Broome, Section Chair

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Peggy Cornell, Section Chair

Third Place: Orange County, Amir Gohardani, Section Chair

Very large

First Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Marc Polanka and Michael List, Section Chairs

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Gregory Buck, Section Chair

Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha, Section Chair

### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, David Fox and Breanne Sutton, section chairs

Second Place: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey and Saman Aghdam, section chairs

Third Place: Greater New Orleans, Glen Guzik, section chair

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, Chi Mai, section chair

Second Place (tie): Sydney, Arnab Dasgupta, section chair

Second Place (tie): Palm Beach, Randy Parsley, section chair

Second Place (tie): Savannah, Miguel Amador, section chair

Medium:

First Place, Tucson, Eric Hoffman-Watt, section chair

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak, section chair

Third Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, section chair

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Thomas Rehmeier, section chair

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Peggy Cornell, section chair

Third Place: Orange County, Chase Schulze, section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Patrick Shea, section chair

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Alexander Jehle, section chair

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Robert Friend, section chair

**2019-2020 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Second Place: Vandenberg, Michelle Itzel (Millenium Engineering and Integration Company), section chair

Third Place: Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Eugen Toma, section chair

Second Place: Palm Beach, Randy Parsley (Pratt & Whitney-Rocketdyne), section chair

Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Medium:

First Place, Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak (NASA), section chair

Third Place: Wichita, Wilfredo Cortez (Department of Defense), section chair

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, James Guglielmo (The Boeing Company), section chair

Second Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Elizabeth Balga (The Boeing Company), section chair

Second Place (tie): San Diego, Kimberly Painter (NAVAIR), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Charles Simpson, section chair

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Tyler Hudson (NASA), section chair

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Chandrashekhar Sonwane (Aerojet Rocketdyne), section chair

**2020-2021 Recipients:**

Very Small

First Place (tie): Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

First Place (tie): Vandenberg, Michelle Itzel (Axient), section chair

Third Place (tie): Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Third Place (tie): Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair

Second Place: Utah, Catherine Beck (Northrop Grumman), section chair

Third Place (tie): Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Third Place (tie): Palm Beach, Randy Parsley (Pratt & Whitney), section chair

Medium:

First Place, Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair

Second Place: Phoenix, Michael Mackowski, section chair

Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Large:

First Place (tie): St. Louis, Mark Kammeyer (The Boeing Company), section chair

First Place (tie): San Diego, Joel Perez (Solar Turbines), section chair

Third Place: Orange County, James Martin, section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Chandrashekhar Sonwane (Aerojet Rocketdyne) and Jeffrey Puschell (Raytheon Intelligence and Space), section chairs

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Nishanth Reddy Goli, section chair  
Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Stacey DeFore (Lockheed Martin Space Systems)

### **2021-2022 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California, Michelle Itzel-Montoya (U.S. Space Force), section chair  
Second Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair  
Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair  
Second Place: Palm Beach, Randy Parsley (Pratt & Whitney), section chair  
Third Place: Wichita, Atri Dutta (Wichita State University), section chair

Medium:

First Place, Tucson, Teresa Clement (Raytheon Corporation), section chair  
Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair  
Third Place: Illinois, Harry Hilton and Laura Villafañe Roca (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), section chairs

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Ursa Major Technologies), section chair  
Second Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Joseph Connolly (NASA Glenn Research Center), section chair  
Second Place (tie): St. Louis, Sanjay Jayaram (Saint Louis University), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Jeffery Puschell (Raytheon Intelligence and Space), section chair  
Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Theresa Jehle, section chair  
Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Alexandra Dukes (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), section chair

### **2022-2023 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California  
Second Place: Adelaide  
Third Place: Delaware  
Honorable Mention: Melbourne

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida  
Second Place: Wichita  
Third Place: Palm Beach

Medium:

First Place: Tucson  
Second Place: Greater Philadelphia  
Third Place: Illinois

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio  
Second Place: Cape Canaveral  
Third Place: North Texas

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas  
Second Place: Hampton Roads  
Third Place: Rocky Mountain

### **2023-2024 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide  
Second Place: Delaware  
Third Place: Melbourne

Small:  
First Place: Palm Beach  
Second Place (tie): Central Coast of California  
Second Place (tie): Northwest Florida  
Third Place: Wichita

Medium:  
First Place: Illinois  
Second Place: Greater Philadelphia  
Third Place: Antelope Valley

Large:  
First Place: North Texas  
Second Place: Northern Ohio  
Third Place: St. Louis

Very Large:  
First Place: Los Angeles  
Second Place: New England  
Third Place: Hampton Roads

#### **2024-2025 Recipients**

Very Small:  
First Place: Delaware  
Second Place: Wisconsin  
Third Place: Adelaide

Small:  
First Place: Illinois  
Second Place (tie): Greater Philadelphia  
Second Place (tie): Indiana  
Third Place: Palm Beach

Medium:  
First Place: San Diego  
Second Place: Tucson  
Third Place: Tennessee

Large:  
First Place: Saint Louis  
Second Place: North Texas  
Third Place: Houston

Very Large:  
First Place: Los Angeles  
Second Place: New England  
Third Place: Hampton Roads

### **Career and Professional Development Award**

The Career and Workforce Development Award is presented for section activities that focus on career development, such as time management workshops, career transition workshops, job benefits workshops, and technical versus management career path workshops.

This awards discounted in 2020.

#### **2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Timothy McCardell, career and professional development officer

Small:

First Place: Sydney, Andrew Gong, career and professional development officer

Second Place: Savannah, Jason Riopelle, section chair

Medium:

First Place (tie): Tucson, Jeff Jepson, Regional Activities Committee representative

First Place (tie): Southwest Texas, Joan Labay-Marquez, section chair

Large:

Second Place: Northern Ohio, James Gilland, section chair

Third Place: San Diego, Ioana Broome, section vice chair

Very Large:

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Jesse Jones, continuing education and career and professional development officer and Kurt Polzin, section chair

#### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Timothy McCardell, Career and Professional Development Officer

Small

First Place: Sydney, Andrew Gong, Section Vice-Chair

Second Place: Savannah, Scott Terry and Ricky Odey, Career and Professional Development Officers

Very Large

First Place: Hampton Roads, Elizabeth Ward, Career and Professional Development Officer

#### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Large

First Place: Hampton Roads, Elizabeth Ward & Hyun Jung Kim, Career & Professional Development Officers

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha, Section Chair

Third Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Robert Mitchell, Career and Professional Development Officer

Large

First Place: San Diego, Ioana Broome, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Savannah, Ricky Odey and Scott Terry, Career & Professional Development Officers, and Ashley Roper, Programs Officer

Second Place: Sydney, Arnab Dasgupta, Section Chair

Third Place: Utah, Scotty Nowlin, Public Policy Officer, Caite Beck, Young Professional Officer, and Trevor Floyd, Communications Officer

#### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very Large

First Place: Hampton Roads, Elizabeth Ward and Hyun Jung Kim, Career and Professional Development Officers

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Greg Simpson, Section Vice Chair & Alex Jehle, Section Chair

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Merri Sanchez, Section Chair-Elect

Large

First Place: St. Louis, Robert Dowgwillo, Programs Officer

Medium

First Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, Career and Professional Development Officer

Second Place: Savannah, Ricky Odey, Career and Professional Development Officer

Third Place: Sydney, Divya Jindal, Career and Professional Development Officer

Very Small

First Place: Adelaide, Sam Aghdam, Section Chair

Second Place: Delaware, Timothy McCardell, Career and Professional Development Officer

**2019-2020 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place, Delaware, Timothy McCardell (Northrop Grumman Corporation), career and professional development officer

Second Place: Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, career and professional development officer

Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Third Place: Savannah, Andrew Clemens (Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation), career and professional development officer

Medium:

First Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski (Millenium Engineering and Integration), young professional officer

Second Place: Wichita, Eddie Irani (Spirit Aerosystems), programs officer

Large:

First Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Elizabeth Balga (The Boeing Company), section chair

First Place (tie): Orange County, Erol Kilik, career and professional development officer

Second Place: St. Louis, Paul Bent (The Boeing Company), career and professional development officer

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Elizabeth Ward (NASA) and Hyun Jung Kim (National Institute of Aerospace), career and professional development officers

Second Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Nishanth Goli, section vice chair

Second Place (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Chandrashekhar Sonwane (Aerojet Rocketdyne), section chair

**DISCONTINUED AWARD AFTER 2020**

**Communications Award**

The Communications Award is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding communications outreach program. Winning criteria include level of complexity, timeliness, and variety of methods of communications, as well as frequency, format, and content of the communication outreach.

**2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Joseph Scroggins, communications chair

Second Place: China Lake, Jeff Scott, communications chair

Small:

First Place: Sydney, Evan Smith, section chair

Second Place: Savannah, Chris Kabureck, communications officer

Third Place: Twin Cities, Andrew Carlson, webmaster and Chris Sanden, secretary and membership officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson, STEM outreach officer and Michelle Rouch, aerospace and societies officer

Second Place: Long Island, Dave Paris, chair and newsletter editor

Third Place: Central Florida, Josh Giffin, secretary

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong, communications officer

Second Place: Albuquerque, Sally Smith, newsletter editor

Third Place: San Diego, Stevie Jacobson, secretary

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Kurt Polzin, section chair; Arloe Mayne, webmaster and Gabe Xu, newsletter editor

Second Place: Hampton Roads, John Lin, newsletter editor

### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Joseph Scroggins, Communications Officer and Timothy Dominick, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Adelaide, RaviTeja Duggineni, Webmaster

Small

First Place: Sydney, Timo Moisiadis, Webmaster

Second Place: Utah, John Metcalf, Section Chair

Third Place: Northwest Florida, Chi Mai, Secretary

Medium

First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch, Aerospace and Society Officer and Alan Jennings, Webmaster

Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair and Newsletter Editor

Third Place: Tennessee, Andrew Redmon, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster

Large

First Place: Albuquerque, Sally Smith, Communications Officer and Webmaster

Second Place: St. Louis, Alex Davies, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster

Third Place: San Diego, Christopher McEachin, Section Secretary

Very Large Section

First Place: Rocky Mountain, Brian Gulliver, Section Chair; John Grace, Webmaster; and Adrian Nagle, Newsletter Editor

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Erin Walker, Communications Officer

Third Place (tie): Dayton/Cincinnati, Donald Rizzetta, Secretary

Hampton Roads, John Lin, Newsletter Editor

### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very large

First Place: Hampton Roads, John Lin, Newsletter Editor

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Erin Walker, Communications Officer

Third Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Michael List, Newsletter Editor

Large

First Place: Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong, Communications Officer

Second Place: San Diego, Jin Oh, Secretary

Third Place: Cape Canaveral, Matthew Zuk, Communications Officer

Medium

First Place: Tucson, Alan Jennings, Webmaster

Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair and Newsletter Editor

Small

First Place: NW Florida, Chi Mai, Section Chair

Second Place: Utah, Trevor Floyd, Communications Officer  
Third Place: Savannah, Kevin Shea, Secretary

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Chrissy Larson, Communications Officer

### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very large

First Place: Hampton Roads, John Lin, Newsletter Editor  
Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Alex Byers, Communications Officer  
Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Lisa Kaspin, Communications Officer

Large

First Place: Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong, Communications Officer  
Second Place: St. Louis, Andrea Martinez, Publicity Officer  
Third Place: (tie) Cape Canaveral, Jake Shriver, Communications Officer  
Third Place: (tie) San Diego, Abigail Cruz, Section Secretary

Medium

First Place: Antelope Valley, Patrick Clark, Section Secretary  
Second Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, Section Chair  
Third Place: (tie) Tucson, Eric Hoffman-Watt, section chair  
Third Place (tie): Phoenix, Rick Kale, section chair

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, Daniel Bradley, Communications Officer  
Second Place: Sydney, Arnab Dasgupta, Section Chair  
Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Christina Larson, Communications Officer  
Second Place: Adelaide, Steven Pietrobon, Section Secretary  
Third Place: Greater New Orleans, Glen Guzik, Section Chair

### **2019-2020 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Christina Larson (Northrop Grumman Corporation), communications officer  
Second Place: Vandenberg, Steve Boelhouwer (Mantech International), newsletter editor  
Third Place (tie): Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section vice chair and then section chair  
Third Place (tie): Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair

Small:

First Place: Savannah, Michael Hay (Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation), section secretary  
Second Place: Sydney, Nimish Shete (Boomi), section vice chair and then chair  
Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair  
Second Place: Phoenix, Michael Mackowski, section chair  
Third Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak (NASA), section chair

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Andrea Martinez, public policy officer  
Second Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Jacob Shriver (NASA), communications officer  
Second Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong, communications officer

Very Large: First Place: Hampton Roads, John Lin (NASA), newsletter editor  
Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Nishanth Goli, section vice chair

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Adrian Nagle (Ball Aerospace), newsletter editor

**2020-2021 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman), membership officer

Second Place: Vandenberg, Steve Boelhouwer (Mantech International), newsletter editor

Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair

Second Place: Utah, Ryan Clawson, section secretary

Third Place: Wichita, Balaji Chandrasekaran Kartikeyan (Wichita State University), section secretary; Alexis Fitzpatrick

Medium: First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Phoenix, Michael Mackowski, section chair

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong (NASA Glenn Research Center), communications officer

Second Place: Atlanta, Neil Sutherland (Delta Air Lines), section chair

Third Place: San Diego, Stevie Jacobson (General Atomics Aeronautical Systems), section secretary

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Ken Lui (Ken's Consulting), program officer, and Jeffrey Puschell (Raytheon Intelligence and Space), section chair

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Nishanth Reddy Goli, section chair, and Alex Vasenkov (Sunergolab), publicity officer

Third Place: Hampton Roads, John Lin (NASA Langley Research Center) and Lee Mears (NASA Langley Research Center), newsletter editors

**2021-2022 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California, Michelle Itzel-Montoya (U.S. Space Force), section chair

Second Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair

Second Place: Palm Beach, Randy Parsley (Pratt & Whitney), section chair

Third Place: Wichita, Atri Dutta (Wichita State University), section chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Teresa Clement (Raytheon Corporation), section chair

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Illinois, Harry Hilton and Laura Villafañe Roca (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), section chairs

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Ursa Major Technologies), section chair

Second Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Joseph Connolly (NASA Glenn Research Center), section chair

Second Place (tie): St. Louis, Sanjay Jayaram (Saint Louis University), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Jeffery Puschell (Raytheon Intelligence and Space), section chair

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Theresa Jehle, section chair

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Alexandra Dukes (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), section chair

**2022-2023 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place (tie): Central Coast of California, Matthew Tanner (U.S. Air Force), communication officer

First Place (tie): Delaware, Jordon Wozney (Northrop Grumman Corporation), communications officer

Second Place: Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair  
Third Place: Melbourne, Frank Papa (Spacelink Consulting), communications officer

Small:

First Place (tie): Long Island, David Paris, section chair  
First Place (tie): Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill (Air Force Research Laboratory), section chair  
Second Place: Utah, Michael Stevens (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Medium:

First Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), communications officer  
Second Place: Illinois, Kenneth Brezinsky (University of Illinois Chicago), secretary; Andrew Touvannas (Woodward Inc), honors and awards officer; Laura Villafaña Roca (University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign), section chair  
Third Place: Tucson, Huntington Gazecki (Raytheon), communications officer

Large:

First Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong (NASA Glenn Research Center), communications officer  
First Place (tie): Atlanta, Neil Sutherland (Delta Air Lines TechOps), section chair  
Second Place: Albuquerque, Elizabeth Kallman (Harvard University), communication officer  
Third Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Kevin Johnson (Jacobs Technology), section chair  
Third Place (tie): North Texas, James Sergeant (Virgin Galactic), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Kenneth Lui (Ken's Consulting), section chair  
Second Place: Hampton Roads, Lee Mears (NASA Langley Research Center), Newsletter Editor Officer  
Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Tracie Prater (NASA Marshall Space Flight Center), section chair

### **2023-2024 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Point Lobos, Jae-Jun Kim (Naval Postgraduate School), website editor  
Second Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair  
Third Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), membership officer

Small:

First Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair  
Second Place: Central Coast of California, Matthew Tanner (United States Space Force), communications officer  
Third Place: Northwest Florida, Micah Reese, secretary

Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Kenneth Brezinsky (University of Illinois at Chicago), secretary; Laura Villafaña Roca (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), section chair  
Second Place: Carolina, John Blanton (Classic Engineering LLC), section chair  
Third Place: Phoenix, Aiden Bramer (Northrop Grumman Space Systems), section chair

Large:

First Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair  
Second Place: Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong (NASA Glenn Research Center), communications officer  
Third Place: San Gabriel Valley, Sahangi Dassanayake (California Institute of Technology), communications officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Kenneth Lui (Ken's Consulting), section chair; Ian Clavio (Northrop Grumman Aeronautics Systems), university education officer  
Second Place: Hampton Roads (tie), Soumyo Dutta (NASA Langley Research Center), newsletter editor  
Second Place: New England (tie), Aaryan Nagarkatti (Westboro HS Rocketry Association), social media officer; Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair  
Third Place: Dayton-Cincinnati (tie), Oliver Leembruggen (Sumaria Systems), public policy officer  
Third Place: Houston (tie), Joel Godinez (Harris County), website editor

### **2024-2025 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), section chair  
Second Place: Central Coast of California, Matthew Tanner (United States Space Force), secretary  
Third Place: Adelaide, Michael Evans (University of South Australia), university liaison officer  
Small:

First Place: Indiana, Hannah Snyderburn (Naval Surface Warfare Center), communications officer  
Second Place (tie): Michigan, Pradip Sagdeo, section chair  
Second Place (tie): Greater Philadelphia, Matthew Johnson (Saker Shoprites Inc), communications officer  
Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Steven Jacobson (General Atomics Aeronautical Systems Inc), secretary  
Second Place: Carolina, Will Stavanja (USTRC), vice chair, Greensboro Chapter  
Third Place: Tennessee, Phillip Kreth (University of Tennessee Space Institute), section chair; Taylor Swanson (AEDC), council member

Large:

First Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair  
Second Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong (NASA Glenn Research Center), communications officer  
Second Place (tie): Saint Louis, Mario Santos (The Boeing Company), communications officer  
Third Place (tie): Albuquerque, Robert Malseed, treasurer  
Third Place (tie): Houston, Kendall Mares (Jacobs), University Liaison Officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Kenneth Lui (Ken's Consulting), website editor officer  
Second Place: New England, Aaryan Nagarkatti (GE Aerospace Research), social media officer; Durgesh Chandel (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), publicity officer  
Third Place: Hampton Roads, Soumyo Dutta (NASA Langley Research Center), newsletter editor

### **Membership Award**

The Membership Award is presented to sections that have increased their membership by planning and implementing effective recruitment and retention campaigns.

#### **2015 -2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, membership officer  
Second Place: China Lake, Jeff Scott, membership officer

Small:

First Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina, section chair  
Second Place: Savannah, Chris Kabureck, membership and communications officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder, membership officer  
Second Place: Central Florida, Josh Giffin, membership officer

Large:

First Place: Orange County, Bob Welge, vice chair membership  
Second Place (tie): San Diego, Brian Quan, membership officer  
Second Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Tristan Clouse, membership officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Roger Herdy, membership officer and Kurt Polzin, section chair  
Second Place: Hampton Roads, Troy Lake and Marlyn Andino, membership co-chairs  
Third Place: Los Angeles/Las Vegas, Rick Garcia, membership officer

#### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Christina Larson, Membership Officer

Small:

First Place: Sydney Section, Benjamin Morrell, Section Chair

Second Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina, Section Chair

Third Place: Savannah, Edward Meyer, Section Chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder, Membership Officer

Large Section

First Place: Orange County, Robert Welge, Membership Officer

Second Place: St. Louis, Nicholas Moffitt, Membership Officer

Third Place: San Diego, Brian Quan, Membership Officer

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Troy Lake and Marlyn Andino, Membership Officers

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Brandon Stiltner, Section Chair

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Marshall Lee, Membership Officer

### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Noah Gold, Membership Officer

Small:

First Place: Twin Cities, Kristin Gerzina, Section Chair

Second Place: Savannah, Nusrat Rehman and Michael Wolff, Membership Officers

Third Place: Utah, John Metcalf, Section Chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder, Membership Officer

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Kathy Kucharski, Membership Officer

Second Place: Orange County, H.R. Welge, Membership Officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Erin Tesny, Membership Officer

Very large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha, Section Chair

Second Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Caleb Barnes, Membership Officer

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Marlyn Andino, Membership Officer

### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very large

First Place: Hampton Roads, Marlyn Andino, Membership Officer

Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Chandarashekar Sonwane, Membership Officer

Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Theresa Jehle, Membership Officer

Large

First Place: St. Louis, Nic Moffitt, Membership Officer

Second Place: San Diego, Joel Perez, Membership Officer

Third Place: Atlanta, Aaron Harcrow, Section Chair

Medium

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder, Membership Officer

Second Place: Wichita, Dustin Tireman, Membership Officer

Third Place: Antelope Valley, Chris Coyne, Membership Officer

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton, Membership Officer

Second Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina, Section Chair

Third Place: Sydney, Binod Aryal, Membership Officer

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Christina Larson, Membership Officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann, Membership Officer

Third Place: Greater New Orleans, Larry de Quay, Membership Officer

### **2019-2020 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Zachery Gent, membership officer

Second Place: Vandenberg, Christopher Menino, membership officer

Third Place: Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair

Small:

First Place (tie): Northwest Florida, Jill Barfield (Okaloosa County School System), membership officer

First Place (tie): Savannah, Michael Hay (Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation), section secretary

Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder (Raytheon Missile Systems), membership officer

Second Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson (Spirit Aerosystems, Inc), membership officer

Third Place, Antelope Valley, Chris Coyne (U.S. Air Force), publicity officer

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Nic Moffitt, membership officer

Second Place: Orange County, Robert Welge (Robert's Engineering Development), membership officer

Third Place: San Diego, Nick Candrella (Naval Air Warfare Center), section secretary

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Aldo Martinez Martinez, membership officer

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Theresa Jehle, membership officer

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Marshall Lee (Sypris Electronics), membership officer

### **2020-2021 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Vandenberg, Michelle Itzel (Axient), section chair

Second Place: Delaware, Christina Larson (Northrop Grumman), communications officer

Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair

Second Place: Utah, Michael Miller (Northrop Gruman), membership officer

Third Place: Wichita, Wilfredo Cortez (Department of Defense)

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder (Raytheon Missile Systems), membership officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Third Place, Antelope Valley, Chris Coyne (U.S. Air Force), publicity officer

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Alex Friedman (The Boeing Company), membership officer

Second Place (tie): Orange County, Robert Welge (Robert's Engineering Development), membership officer

Second Place (tie): San Diego, Joel Perez (Solar Turbines), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Richard Winski (NASA Langley Research Center), membership officer

Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Aldo Martinez Martinez (The Boeing Company), membership officer

Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Paul Palies (University of Tennessee Space Institute), membership officer

**2021-2022 Recipients:**

## Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California, Steven Boelhouwer (ManTech International), communications officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Third Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman), section chair

## Small:

First Place: Sydney, Daniel Walsh (Qantas Airways), section chair

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, section chair, and Angela Diggs (AFRL), section vice chair

Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, section chair

## Medium:

First Place: Phoenix, Scott Fouse (Fouse Consulting Services), section chair

Second Place (tie): Greater Philadelphia, LizaMarie Kupp (St. John Paul II Academy), section vice chair

Second Place (tie): Carolina, John Blanton (Classic Engineering), section chair

Third Place: Tucson, Huntington Gazecki (Raytheon Missiles & Defense), communications officer

## Large:

First Place: Albuquerque, Robert Malseed, newsletter editor

Second Place: San Diego, Stevie Jacobson (General Atomics Aeronautical Systems), section webmaster

Third Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Edmond Wong (NASA Glenn Research Center), communications officer

Third Place (tie) St. Louis, John Shultz (The Boeing Company), communications officer

## Very Large:

First Place (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Ken Lui (Ken's Consulting), webmaster

First Place (tie): New England, Hiroaki Endo (Schenk USA), section chair

Third Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Tracie Prater (NASA Marshall Space Flight Center), section vice chair

Third Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Lee Mears (NASA Langley Research Center), newsletter editor

**2022-2023 Recipients:**

## Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman Corporation), membership officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Third Place: Central Coast of California, Michelle Itzel-Montoya (U.S. Space Force), section chair

## Small:

First Place: Wichita, Mary Drouin (Spirit Aerosystems), membership officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill (AFRL), section chair

Third Place: Utah, Michael Stevens (Northrop Grumman), section chair

## Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Andrew Touvannas (Woodward Inc), honors and awards officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Christina Layton (College of New Jersey), membership officer

Third Place: Tucson, Andrew Alexander (Raytheon), membership officer

## Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Jonah Sachs-Wetstone (NASA Glenn Research Center), membership officer

Second Place: Orange County, Bob Welge (Robert's Engineering Development), membership officer

Third Place (tie): Atlanta, Aaron Harcrow (No Box Innovations), membership officer

Third Place (tie): St. Louis, Alexander Friedman (The Boeing Company), membership officer; Mark Kammeyer (The Boeing Company), university education officer

## Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Richard Winski and Julia Cline (NASA Langley Research Center), membership officers

Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Sherry Stukes (NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory), membership officer

Third Place: New England, Hiro Endo (Test Devices — Schenk USA Corporation), section chair

## **2023-2024 Recipients:**

### Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Second Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), membership officer

Third Place: Melbourne, Bryan Aherne (consultant), membership officer; Jisoo Jeon (Boeing Aerostructures Australia); Julia Low (RMIT University), communications officer

### Small:

First Place: Wichita, Mary Drouin (Spirit AeroSystems Inc), membership officer

Second Place: Central Coast of California, Matthew Tanner (United States Space Force), membership officer

Third Place: Northwest Florida, Angela Diggs (Air Force Research Laboratory), vice chair; Humberto Ramos (University of Florida), technical officer; Judith Sherrill, education officer; Crystal Pasillao (Airforce SEEK EAGLE Office), STEM K-12 officer; Sunny Narayanan (Florida State University), young professionals officer

### Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Andrew Touvannas (Woodward Inc.), honors and awards officer; David Carroll (CU Aerospace LLC), treasurer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), vice chair

Third Place: Tucson, Andrew Alexander, membership officer

### Large:

First Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Jonah Sachs-Wetstone (NASA Glenn Research Center), membership officer

Third Place: St. Louis, Alexander Friedman (The Boeing Company), membership officer

### Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Richard Winski (NASA Langley Research Center), membership officer; Julia Cline (NASA Langley Research Center), membership officer

Second Place: Los Angeles, Sherry Stukes, membership officer

Third Place: New England, Charlie Wilson, advisor; Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair

## **2024-2025 Recipients**

### Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Zachary Gent (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), section chair

Second Place: Wisconsin, Todd Treichel (Sierra Space), section chair

Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

### Small:

First Place: Illinois, Andrew Touvannas (Woodward Inc.), honors & awards chair; David Carroll (CU Aerospace LLC), vice chair

Second Place: Indiana, Anand Nageswaran Bharath (Cummins Inc.), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Michigan, Pradip Sagdeo, section chair

### Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Solar Turbines Inc.), regional advisory council representative

Second Place: Tucson, Dan Rouhani (Composite Construction), treasurer

Third Place: Carolina, Monika Bubacz (Boeing Company), treasurer

### Large:

First Place: Saint Louis, Alex Friedman (The Boeing Company), membership officer

Second Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Jonah Sachs-Westone (NASA Glenn Research Center), membership officer

### Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Sherry Stukes, membership officer

Second Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Terri Tramel, membership officer

Second Place (tie): New England, Osa Osaretin (MIT Lincoln Laboratory), treasurer; Hiro Endo (Schenck USA Corp Test Devices by Schenck), advisor; Peter Dentch (Pratt & Whitney), STEM K-12 officer; Jimmy Wetzel(Charles Stark Draper Laboratory Inc.), vice chair

Third Place (tie): Dayton-Cincinnati, Caleb Barnes (AFRL/RQVA), membership officer

Third Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Richard Winski (NASA Langley Research Center), membership officer

### **STEM K-12 Award**

The STEM K–12 Award is presented to sections that have developed and implemented an outstanding STEM K–12 outreach program that provides quality education resources for K–12 teachers in the STEM subject areas.

#### **2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Elishabet Lato, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Angela Diggs, vice chair;

Second Place: Vandenberg, Tom Stevens, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Third Place: Savannah, Alex Rummel, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Medium:

First place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson, STEM K–12 outreach officer and Michelle Rouch, aerospace and societies officer

Second Place: Southwest Texas, Joan Labay-Marquez, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Large:

First Place: Orange County, Jann Koepke, vice chair, education

Second Place: San Diego, Chris McEachin, student activities coordinator

Third Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Brian Kaplinger, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Third Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Julie Kleinhenz, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Karen Berger and Shann Rufer, education/pre-college committee co-chairs

Second Place: Los Angeles/Las Vegas, Dana Puschell, programs chair

Third Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Megan Beattie, pre-college outreach officer and Kurt Polzin, section chair

Third Place (tie): Houston, Alan Sisson, Chair

#### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small Section

First Place: Delaware, Elishabet Lato, STEM K-12 Officer

Small Section

First Place: Sydney, Andrew Neely, STEM K-12 Officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Angela Diggs, STEM K-12 Officer

Third Place: Savannah, Alex Rummel, STEM K-12 Officer

Medium Section

First Place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson, STEM K-12 Officer and Michelle Rouch, Aerospace and Society Officer

Second Place: Southwest Texas, Joan Labay-Marquez, STEM K-12 Officer

Third Place: Tennessee, James Burns, STEM K-12 Officer

Large Section

First Place: Orange County, Janet Koepke, STEM K-12 Officer

Second Place: St. Louis, Robert Dowgwillo, Section Chair

Third Place: San Diego, Ken Kubarych, Education Officer

Very Large Section

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Brandon Stiltner, Section Chair

Second Place: Houston, Jennifer Wells, Section Chair

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Susan Janssen, Education Officer

#### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Elishabet Lato, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, Angela Diggs, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Second Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons, Public Policy Officer

Third Place: Savannah, Alex Rummel, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Medium

First Place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson, Allie Kunkel, STEM K-12 Outreach Officers

Second Place: Southwest Texas, Joan Labay-Marquez, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair

Large

First Place: Orange County, Janet Koepke, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Second Place: San Diego, Cristian Paunescu, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Julie Kleinhenz, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Very large

First Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, José Camberos, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Karen Berger and Amanda Chou, STEM K-12 Outreach Officers

Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha, Section Chair

**2018-2019 Recipients**

Very large

First Place: Hampton Roads, Karen T. Berger and Dr. Amanda Chou, STEM K-12 Outreach Officers

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Jim Paradise, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Ragini Acharya, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Large

First Place: Orange County, Jann Koepke, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Second Place: St. Louis, Jackie Blumer, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio - Jonathan Kratz & Julie Klienhenz, STEM K-12 Outreach Officers

Medium

First Place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson and Allie Kunkel, STEM K-12 Outreach Officers

Second Place: Wichita, Minisa Childers, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Palm Beach - Shawna Christenson, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer, and Kevin Simmons,

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Third Place: Savannah, Alessandra Carno, STEM K-12 Officer

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Elishabet Lato, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

Second Place: Wisconsin, Todd Treichel, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer

**2019-2020 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Kelly Storrs (Northrop Grumman), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Vandenberg, Thomas Stevens (U.S. Air Force), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place: China Lake, Michael Petersen (NAVAIR), section vice chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill, STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson, STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place: Savannah, Jessica Swann (Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Elishka Jepson (Raytheon Missile Systems), STEM K–12 outreach officer

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak (NASA), section chair and Robert Jensen (Sierra Lobo, Inc), STEM K-12 officer

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Jackie Blumer (Greenville Junior High School), STEM K–12 outreach officer

Second Place: San Diego; Rich Kenney (AeroED Group), STEM K-12 Officer

Third Place: Orange County, Janet Koepke, Binay Pandey, and Ed Rocha, STEM K–12 outreach officers

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Karen Berger (NASA) and Amanda Chou (NASA), STEM K-12 outreach officers

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Ragini Acharya (Raytheon Technologies), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Dean Davis, STEM K-12 officer

**2020-2021 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Vandenberg, Thomas Stevens (U.S. Air Force) STEM K12 outreach officer

Second Place (tie): Wisconsin, Todd Treichel (Sierra Nevada Corporation), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place (tie): Delaware, Kelly Storrs (Northrop Grumman); STEM K-12 outreach officer

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill, STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson, STEM K–12 outreach officer

Third Place: Wichita, Minisa Childers (Aeronautix)

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair officer

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Robert Jensen (Sierra Lobo, Inc), STEM K-12 officer and Jason Lechniak (NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center), section chair

Large:

First Place: Cape Canaveral, Melissa Sleeper (Storm Grove Middle School/School District of Indian River), STEM K–12 outreach officer

Second Place: St. Louis; Jackie Blumer (Greenville Jr. High School), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place: Orange County, Ed Rocha, Binay Pandey and Janet Koepke, STEM K–12 outreach officers

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Khushbu Patel, STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place (tie): Rocky Mountain, Susan Janssen (United Launch Alliance), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Karen Berger (NASA Langley Research Center) and Amanda Chou (NASA Langley Research Center), STEM K-12 outreach officers

Second Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Ragini Acharya (University of Tennessee Space Institute), STEM K-12 officer

**2021-2022 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California, Thomas Stevens (U.S. Air Force), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson (Aerospace and Innovation Academy), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill, STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place, Wichita, Brian Kaplinger (University of Kansas), STEM K-12 officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Christopher Reynolds (Lockheed Martin Corporation), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Antelope Valley, Robert Jensen (Sierra Lobo), STEM K-12 officer

Large:

First Place: St. Louis; Jackie Blumer (Greenville Jr. High School), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Second Place: Cape Canaveral, Melissa Sleeper (Storm Grove Middle School/School District of Indian River), STEM K-12 outreach officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Jonathan Kratz (NASA Glenn Research Center), STEM K-12 officer

Very Large:

First Place: Rocky Mountain, Trip Carter (Lockheed Martin Corporation), education officer

Second Place: Greater Huntsville, Robin Osborne (ERC), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Khushbu Patel, and Arpie Ovsepyan (Herbert Hoover High School), STEM K-12 outreach officers

**2022-2023 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Coast of California, Thomas Stevens (Space Launch Delta 30), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place (tie): Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Second Place (tie): Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Navel Postgraduate School), section chair

Third Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson (Aerospace and Innovation Academy), STEM K-12 officer; and Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), public policy officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill (AFRL), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Northern New Jersey, Raymond Trohanowsky (Army Futures Command), section chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place: Phoenix, Paul Kaup (STEM+C Inc), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Christopher Reynolds (Lockheed Martin Corporation), STEM K-12 officer

Large:

First Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Melissa Sleeper, STEM K-12 officer

First Place (tie): St. Louis, Jackie Blumer (Greenville Jr. High School), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place: Orange County, Binay Pandey (International Vitamin Corporation), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Jonathan Kratz (NASA Glenn Research Center), STEM K-12 officer

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Amanda Chou and Karen Berger (NASA Langley Research Center), STEM K-12 officers

Second Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Robin Osborne (ERC), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place (tie): National Capital, Susan Bardenhagen, STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Arpie Ovsepyan (Herbert Hoover High School), STEM K-12 officer

**2023-2024 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Wisconsin, Todd Treichel (Sierra Space), section chair

Second Place: Adelaide, Rey Chin (University of Adelaide), university liaison officer

Third Place: Delaware, Nicholas Rogers (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), STEM K-12 officer

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace); Shawna Christenson (Aerospace and Innovation Academy), STEM K-12 officers

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Crystal Pasilliao (Air Force SEEK EAGLE Office), STEM K-12 officer

Third Place: Central Coast of California, Thomas Stevens (Space Launch Delta 30), STEM K-12 officer

Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Pamela Greyer (NASA Aeronautics Education Laboratory), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Christopher Reynolds (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), STEM K-12 officer  
Third Place: Antelope Valley, Robert Jensen (Sierra Lobo Inc), STEM K-12 officer

Large:

First Place: Cape Canaveral, Melissa Sleeper (Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: St. Louis, Jackie Blumer (Greenville Jr. High School), advisor  
Third Place: Orange County, Binay Pandey, STEM K-12 officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Arpie Ovsepyan (Herbert Hoover High School), STEM K-12 officer; Ian Clavio (Northrop Grumman Aeronautics Systems), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Trip Carter (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), education officer  
Third Place: Hampton Roads, Karen Berger (NASA Langley Research Center), STEM K-12 officer; Amanda Chou (Air Force Office of Scientific Research), STEM K-12 officer

### **2024-2025 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Kirstin Walz (Northrop Grumman Mission Systems), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: Wisconsin, Ruby Kleijwegt (Sierra Space), communications officer  
Third Place: Central Coast of California, Thomas Stevens (Space Launch Delta 30), STEM K-12 officer

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), STEM K-12  
Second Place: Illinois, Pamela Greyer (NASA Aeronautics Education Laboratory), STEM K-12 officer.  
Third Place (tie): Northern New Jersey, Yin Chen (US Army ARDEC), honors and awards chair  
Third Place (tie): Northwest Florida, Crystal Pasillio (Air Force SEEK EAGLE Office), STEM K-12 officer

Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Rich Kenney (AeroED Group), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: Tennessee, Meghan Morris (University of Tennessee Space Institute), outreach coordinator  
Third Place: Tucson, Rajka Corder (Raytheon), former STEM K-12 officer

Large:

First Place: Saint Louis, Jackie Blumer (Greenville Jr High School), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: Orange County, Binay Pandey, STEM K-12 officer  
Third Place: Cape Canaveral, Melissa Sleeper (Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy), STEM K-12 officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Arpie Ovsepyan (Herbert Hoover High School), STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place (tie): National Capital, Susan Bardenhagen, STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Karen Berger (NASA Langley Research Center), STEM K-12 officer; Franklin Turbeville (NASA Langley Research Center), young professionals officer  
Third Place: Dayton-Cincinnati, Jose Camberos (Air Force Research Laboratory), STEM K-12 officer; Samuel Atchison (Air Force Institute of Technology), deputy director STEM K-12 outreach officer

### **Public Policy Award**

The Public Policy Award is presented for stimulating public awareness of the needs of aerospace research and development, particularly on the part of government representatives, and for education section members about the value of public policy activities.

### **2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Tim Dominick, public policy officer  
Second Place: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey, section chair

Small:

First Place: First Place: Twin Cities, Josh Borchardt, public policy officer

Second Place: Savannah, Ted Meyer, public policy officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Matthew Anguilo, public policy officer

Second Place: Central Florida, Jason Hopkins, public policy officer

Large:

First Place: Atlanta, Steven Justice, public policy officer

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Amber Abbott-Hearn, public policy officer

Third Place: Cape Canaveral, Jarvis Hudson, public policy officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Robert LaBranche, public policy officer

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn, public policy officer

Third Place: Los Angeles/Las Vegas, Michael Todaro, public policy officer

### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Timothy Dominick, Public Policy Officer

Small Section:

First Place: Twin Cities, Cristin Finnigan, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Savannah, Suzanne Swaine, Section Vice-Chair

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Matthew Anguilo, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair and Public Policy Officer

Large:

First Place: Albuquerque, Mark Fraser, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Cape Canaveral, Jarvis Hudson, Public Policy Officer

Third Place: Orange County, Kamal Shweyk, Public Policy Officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Robert LaBranche, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Tracy Copp, Public Policy Officer

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn, Public Policy Officer

### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Tim Dominick, Public Policy Officer

Small:

First Place: Savannah (tie), Scott Terry, Public Policy Officer

First Place: Twin Cities (tie), Cristin Finnigan, Public Policy Officer

Third Place: Utah, Scott Nowlin, Public Policy Officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Bradley Williams, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Long Island, David Paris, Section Chair

Third Place: Michigan, Austin Harper, Public Policy Officer

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Victor Canacci, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: San Diego, John Kucharski, Public Policy Officer

Very large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Chris Crumbly, Public Policy Officer

Second Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Oliver Leembruggen, Public Policy Officer

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn and Michelle Lynde, Public Policy Officers

### 2018-2019 Recipients

#### Very large

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Chris Crumbly, Public Policy Officer  
Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Alan Shinkman, Public Policy Officer  
Third Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Oliver Leembruggen, Public Policy Officer

#### Large

First Place: Northern Ohio, Victor Canacci, Public Policy Officer  
Second Place: Orange County, Kamal Shweyk, Public Policy Officer  
Third Place: Atlanta, Bob Greene, Programs Officer

#### Medium

First Place: Tucson, Brad Williams, Public Policy Officer  
Second Place: Antelope Valley, Patrick Clark, Public Policy Officer  
Third Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, Section Chair

#### Small

First Place: Savannah, Scott Terry, Public Policy Officer  
Second Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons, Public Policy Officer  
Third Place: Twin Cities, Cristin Finnegan, Public Policy Officer

#### Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Timothy Dominick, Public Policy Officer  
Second Place: Greater New Orleans, Glen Guzik, Section Chair  
Third Place: Adelaide, Sam Aghdam, Section Chair

### **2019-2020 Recipients**

#### Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer  
Second Place: Vandenberg, Michelle Itzel (Millenium Engineering and Integration Company), section chair  
Third Place, China Lake, Steven Goad, public policy officer

#### Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton (U.S. Air Force), public policy officer  
Second Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (The Weiss School), public policy officer  
Third Place: Utah, Scott Stebbins, section chair

#### Medium:

First Place: Antelope Valley, Patrick Clark (Lockheed Martin Aeronautics), public policy officer  
Second Place: Tucson, Michelle Rouch (Artwork by Rouch), section chair  
Third Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson (Spirit Aerosystems, Inc), membership officer

#### Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Victor Canacci (Jacobs Technology Inc), public policy officer  
Second Place: Cape Canaveral, Helen Petrucci, public policy officer  
Third Place: St. Louis, Frank Youkhana, public policy officer

#### Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha (ERC Incorporated), public policy officer  
Second Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn (Jacobs Technology Inc) and Jake Tynis (Analytical Mechanics Associates), public policy officers  
Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Tracy Copp (Ball Aerospace), public policy officer

### **2020-2021 Recipients**

#### Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer  
Second Place: Vandenberg, Michelle Itzel (Axient), public policy officer and section chair  
Third Place, Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), public policy officer

Second Place: Utah, Charlie Vono, public policy officer

Third Place: Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton (U.S. Air Force), membership officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Robert Tagtmeyer (Raytheon Missiles & Defense), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): Phoenix, Brianna Grembowski (Northrop Grumman Space Systems), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): Greater Philadelphia, Nicholas Altobelli (Lockheed Martin Corporation), communications officer

Large:

First Place: Orange County, Kamal Shweyk (Boeing Commercial Airplanes), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): San Diego, Cesar Martin (U.S. Navy), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): Niagara Frontier, Walter Gordon, section chair

Very Large:

First Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha (ERC Incorporated), public policy officer

First Place (tie): Rocky Mountain, Joe Rice (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), public policy officer

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Jordan Chilcott, public policy officer

### **2021-2022 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer

Second Place: Central Coast of California, Michelle Itzel-Montoya (U.S. Space Force), public policy officer and section chair

Small:

First Place (tie): Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton (U.S. Air Force), membership officer

First Place (tie): Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), public policy officer

Medium:

First Place: Greater Philadelphia, Joi Spraggins (Legacy Bridges STEM Academy), public policy officer

Second Place: Illinois, Mordechai Levin (Masterflight Foundation) and Mark Wendtland (Eblana Photonics), public policy officers

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Michael Heil (ML Heil Consulting), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): Orange County, Kamal Shweyk (Boeing Commercial Airplanes), public policy officer

Second Place (tie): San Diego, Mike Curtin, public policy officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Naveen Vetcha (ERC Incorporated), public policy officer

Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Jordan Chilcott, public policy officer

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Lisa Gregg (Lockheed Martin Space Systems)

### **2022-2023 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer

Second Place (tie): Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair

Second Place (tie): Central Coast of California, Michelle Itzel-Montoya (U.S. Space Force), section chair

Third Place: Melbourne, Kaja Antleij (Deakin University), section chair

Small:

First Place (tie): Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton (U.S. Air Force), public policy officer

First Place (tie): Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), public policy officer

Medium:

First Place: Greater Philadelphia, Joi Spraggins (Legacy Bridges STEM Academy); public policy officer

Second Place: Illinois, Mordechai Levin (Masterflight Inc), public policy officer  
Third Place: Tucson, Robert Tagtmeyer (Raytheon), public policy officer

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Michael Heil (ML Heil Consulting LLC), public policy officer  
Second Place: Cape Canaveral, Linda Andruski (The Aerospace Company), public policy officer  
Third Place: Albuquerque, Mark Fraser (U.S. Air Force), public policy officer

Very Large:

First Place (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Kenneth Lui (Ken's Consulting), section chair; Roz Lowe (Delta Hi-Tech), public policy officer  
First Place (tie): Rocky Mountain, Lisa Luedtke (Lockheed Martin Corporation), public policy officer  
Second Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn (Jacobs Technology), public policy officer  
Third Place: Houston, Wayne Rast (CCP SW Safety), public policy officer

### **2023-2024 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair  
Second Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer  
Third Place: Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Naval Postgraduate School), section chair

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson (Aerospace and Innovation Academy); Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), public policy officers  
Second Place: Northwest Florida, Michael Kelton (U.S. Air Force), public policy officer  
Third Place (tie): Long Island, George Kyriakou (BotFactory Inc.), public policy officer  
Third Place (tie): Twin Cities, Cristin Finnigan (Northrop Grumman Space Systems), public policy officer

Medium:

First Place: Greater Philadelphia, Joi Spraggins (Legacy Bridges STEM Academy Inc.), diversity and inclusion officer  
Second Place: Illinois, Mordechai Levin, public policy officer

Large:

First Place: Northern Ohio, Michael Heil (ML Heil Consulting LLC), technical officer  
Second Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair  
Third Place: San Diego, Mike Curtin, public policy officer

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn (Jacobs Technology Inc), public policy officer  
Second Place: Los Angeles, Daniel Scalse (University of Southern California), public policy officer  
Third Place: Houston, Svetlana Hanson (Metecs), programs officer

### **2024-2025 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Wisconsin, Todd Treichel (Sierra Space), section chair  
Second Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair  
Third Place: Delaware, Di Ena Davis, public policy officer

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Shawna Christenson (Aerospace and Innovation Academy), public policy officer  
Second Place: Illinois, Mordechai Levin (MasterFlight Foundation), public policy officer  
Third Place: Phoenix, Aiden Bramer (Chipton-Ross), former section chair

Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Mike Curtin, public policy officer  
Second Place: Carolina, Theodoros Spanos (Boeing Company), past chair

Large:

First Place: Houston, Christine Dubbert, program officer

Second Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair  
Third Place: Albuquerque, Mark Fraser (U.S Air Force), public policy office

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Steven Dunn (Amentum), public policy officer  
Second Place: National Capital, Michael Barton (a.i. solutions Inc), vice chair operations officer  
Third Place (tie): Rocky Mountain, Lisa Luedtke (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), public policy officer  
Third Place (tie): Los Angeles, Daniel Scalse (University of Southern California), public policy officer

## Section - Student Branch Partnership

The Section-Student Branch Partnership Award recognizes the most effective and innovative collaboration between the Professional Section Members and the Student Branch members.

### 2018-2019 Recipients

Very Large

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Brittani Searcy, University Relations Officer  
Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Matt Mundy, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer  
Third Place: Hampton Roads - Manuel Diaz (NIA), Forrest Miller (ODU), & Julie Deutsch (VT), Student Branch Liaisons

Large

First Place: St. Louis, Charles Svoboda, Education Officer  
Second Place: Northern Ohio, Peggy Cornell, Section Chair  
Third Place: Atlanta, Aaron Harcrow, Section Chair

Medium

First Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, Section Chair  
Second Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak, Section Chair  
Third Place: Tucson, Eric Hoffman-Watt, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Northwest Florida, John Fay, Section Vice Chair  
Second Place: Palm Beach - Kevin Simmons, Public Policy Officer and Shawna Christenson, STEM K-12 Outreach Officer  
Third Place: Sydney, Nimesh Shete, Education Officer

Very Small

First Place: Central Pennsylvania, Puneet Singla, Section Chair  
Second Place: Adelaide, Zoe Rich, Student Branch Liaison  
Third Place: Delaware, Kyle Panariello, Student Branch Liaison

### 2019-2020 Recipients

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair  
Second Place: Vandenberg, Anthony Touchette (U.S Air Force), program officer  
Third Place: Wisconsin, Robert Michalak (Sierra Nevada Corporation), university liaison

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Judith Sherrill, STEM K-12 outreach officer  
Second Place: Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons, public policy officer, and Randy Parsley (Pratt & Whitney-Rocketdyne), section chair  
Third Place: Sydney, Cole Scott-Curwood (University of Sydney), student branch representative

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Teresa Clement (Raytheon Technologies), section vice chair  
Second Place: Wichita, Linda Kliment (Wichita State University), education officer  
Third Place: Antelope Valley, Robert Jensen (Sierra Lobo, Inc), STEM K-12 officer, and Kasthuri Sivagnanam, university liaison

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Charles Svoboda (The Boeing Company), education officer  
Second Place, San Diego, Kimberly Painter (NAVAIR), section chair  
Third Place, Atlanta, Aaron Harcrow, membership officer

Very Large:

First Place, Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Chandrashekhar Sonwane (Aerojet Rocketdyne), section chair  
Second Place: Pacific Northwest, Adriana Blom-Schieber (Boeing Commercial Airplanes)  
Third Place (tie): Dayton/Cincinnati, Aaron Altman (AFRL) and Krista Gerhardt (U.S. Air Force), education officers  
Third Place (tie) Greater Huntsville, Brittany Searcy, university liaison  
Third Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Manuel Diaz (National Institute of Aerospace), Forrest Miller (Old Dominion University), and Julie Deutsch (Virginia Tech), student branch liaisons

**2020-2021 Recipients**

Very Small

First Place: Adelaide, Patrick Neumann (Neumann Space), section chair  
Second Place: Vandenberg, Evan Agarwal, university liaison  
Third Place: Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, John Fay (Torch Technologies), education officer  
Second Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina (Northrop Grumman), section chair  
Third Place: Utah, Michael Stevens (Northrop Grumman), programs officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Alexis Hepburn (Raytheon Missiles and Space), career and workforce development officer, and Rob Michalak (Paragon Space Development)  
Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair  
Third Place: Phoenix, Michael Mackowski, section chair

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Solar Turbines), section chair  
Second Place, Albuquerque, Svetlana Poroseva (University of New Mexico), university liaison  
Third Place (tie), Atlanta, Neil Sutherland (Delta Air Lines), section chair, and Aaron Harcrow, membership officer  
Third Place (tie), St. Louis, Charles Svoboda (The Boeing Company), education officer

Very Large:

First Place, Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Khusbu Patel, STEM K-12 officer  
Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Dan Scantland; Third Place  
New England, Umanga Balasuriya (Charles River Analytics), university liaison

**2021-2022 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Mahdy Alhameed (University of Adelaide), section secretary  
Second Place: Central Coast of California, Steven Serniak, (U.S. Space Force), programs officer  
Third Place: Iowa, Roger Kassebaum (Founders Bootcamp), university liaison

Small:

First Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair, and Robert Halverson (University of Minnesota)  
Second Place: Wichita, Linda Kliment (Wichita State University), education officer  
Third Place: Northwest Florida, John Fay (Torch Technologies), education officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Peter Olejnik (University of Arizona), young professional officer  
Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair  
Third Place: Illinois, Andrew Strubhar (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), student branch liaison

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Ursa Major Technologies), section chair  
Second Place (tie): St. Louis, Charles Svoboda (The Boeing Company), education officer  
Second Place (tie): San Gabriel Valley; Gregory Davis (JPL), university liaison  
Third Place, Central Florida, Christopher Stevens (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Khushbu Patel, STEM K-12 officer, and Luis Cuevas (Lockheed Martin Corporation), education officer  
Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Marshall Lee (BedRock Systems), section vice chair  
Third Place: New England, Phoenix Robbins (Raytheon Technologies), education officer, and Charlie Wilson, council member

### **2022-2023 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Central Pennsylvania, Puneet Singla (Pennsylvania State University), section chair  
Second Place: Adelaide, Harry Rowton (University of Adelaide), student branch liaison  
Third Place: Central Coast of California, Eva McLaughlin, education officer

Small:

First Place: Wichita, Linda Kliment (Wichita State University), education officer  
Second Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair  
Third Place: Sydney, Tjasa Boh Whiteman (University of New South Wales), section chair; Ramzel Liwanag (University of New South Wales), vice chair

Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Laura Villafañe Roca (University of Illinois Urbana Champaign), section chair  
Second Place: Tucson, Peter Olejnik, young professional officer  
Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Large:

First Place: North Texas, James Sergeant (Virgin Galactic), section chair  
Second Place: St. Louis, Alexander Friedman (The Boeing Company), membership officer; Mark Kammeyer (The Boeing Company), university education officer  
Third Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, J. Keith Sowell (Star Voyager), education officer  
Third Place (tie): Central Florida, Walter Hammond (Walter Sierra LLC), section chair  
Third Place (tie): Orange County, Dino Roman (Boeing Commercial Airplanes), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: New England, Thomas “Phoenix” Robbins, outreach officer; Charles Wilson, advisor  
Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Cordero Orona (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), outreach officer  
Third Place (tie): Hampton Roads, Soumyo Dutta (NASA Langley Research Center), section chair  
Third Place (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Luis Cuevas (Lockheed Martin Corporation), young professional chair  
Third Place (tie): National Capital, David Brandt (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

### **2023-2024 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Rey Chin (University of Adelaide), university liaison officer; Michael Evans (University of South Australia), university liaison  
Second Place: Melbourne, Kaustubh Dongre (Boeing), student branch liaison  
Third Place (tie): Wisconsin, Todd Treichel (Sierra Space), section chair  
Third Place (tie): Point Lobos, Giovanni Minelli (Navel Post Graduate School), chair

Small:

First Place (tie): Palm Beach, Kevin Simmons (BLUECUBE Aerospace), STEM K-12 officer  
First Place (tie) Northwest Florida, John Fay (Torch Technologies), education officer  
Second Place: Wichita, Linda Kliment (Wichita State University), education officer  
Third Place: Central Coast of California, Kyle Bezio (California Polytechnic State University), student branch liaison; Cassandra Herrera (California Polytechnic State University), student branch liaison

Medium:

First Place: Illinois, Laura Villafaña Roca (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), section chair; Matthew Brotnow (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), student branch chair

Second Place: Tucson, John Allen (University of Arizona), student branch liaison

Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), vice chair

Large:

First Place: North Texas, Jason Daugherty (University of Texas at Arlington), student branch president; Kevin Debord (University of Texas at Dallas), student branch president

Second Place: St. Louis, Mark Kammeyer (Boeing Test & Evaluation) education officer

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Aaron Hensley (NASA Glenn Research Center), university liaison officer

Very Large:

First Place: New England, Charlie Wilson, advisor; Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair; James Wetzel (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory Inc.), young professionals officer; Anoop Kiran, student branch liaison

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Lynnane George (University of Colorado at Colorado Springs), outreach officer

Third Place: National Capital, Steven Brunetto (Booz Allen Hamilton), vice chair of operations

**2024-2025 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Zehao Liu (University of Adelaide), student branch liaison

Second Place: Wisconsin, Ander Baumann (Sierra Space), young professionals officer

Third Place: Delaware, David McGrath (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), technical officer

Small:

First Place: Illinois, Laura Villafaña Roca (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), section chair; Matthew Brotnow, university liaison officer

Second Place: Twin Cities, Robert Halverson, university liaison officer

Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Chris Reynolds (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), STEM K-12 officer

Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Gary Fogel (Natural Selection Inc.), students activities officer

Second Place: Tucson, John Allen (University of Arizona), young professionals officer

Third Place: Southwest Texas, Christopher Combs (University of Texas at San Antonio), section chair

Large:

First Place: North Texas, Mauricio Nava (University of Texas, Arlington), student branch chair of UTA; Ben Jeffery (University of Texas, Arlington), chapter chair of UTA

Second Place: Saint Louis, Joseph Richard (Boeing), university education officer

Third Place: Houston, Kendall Mares (Jacobs), STEM K-12 officer

Very Large:

First Place: New England, Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair; Jimmy Wetzel (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory Inc.), vice chair; Osa Osaretin (MIT Lincoln Laboratory), treasurer; Peter Dentch (Pratt & Whitney), STEM K-12 officer; Durgesh Chandel (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), publicity officer; Nandita Hari (GE Aerospace Research), professional development officer

Second Place: Los Angeles, Ian Clavio (Northrop Grumman Aeronautics Systems), university education officer

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Lynnane George (University of Colorado), outreach officer

**Young Professional Activity Award**

The Young Professional Activity Award is presented for excellence in planning and executing events that encourage the participation of the Institute's young professional members, and provide opportunities for leadership at the section, regional, or national level.

**2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware section, Daniel Nice, young professional officer

Small:

First Place: Sydney, Mathew Vella, vice chair, technical

Large:

First Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Roger Tokars, young professional officer

First Place (tie): San Diego, Marjorie Rima, young professional officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Cody Crofford, young professional officer

### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice, Young Professional Section Officer

Small:

First Place: Savannah, Cameron Carson and Libin Daniel, Young Professional Officers

Second Place: Twin Cities, Nicholas Janak, Young Professional Officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Natalie Davila-Rendon, Young Professional Officer

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Lindsey Sweeney, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Orange County, Daniel Tompkins, Young Professional Officer

Very Large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Tamara Statham, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Rebecca Stavely, Vanessa Aubuchon, Michelle Lynde and John Wells, Young Professional Officers

Third Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Michael Creech, Young Professional Officer

### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice, Young Professional Officer

Small:

First Place: Savannah, Cameron Carson and Libin Daniel, Young Professional Officers

Second Place: Utah, Caite Beck, Young Professional Officer

Large:

First Place: San Diego, Lindsey Sweeney, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Roger Tokars, Young Professional Officer

Very large:

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Tamara Statham, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Vanessa Aubuchon and Michelle Lynde, Young Professional Officers

Third Place: Dayton/Cincinnati, Ashlee Youngpeters, Young Professional Officer

### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very large

First Place: Greater Huntsville, Nishanth Goli, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Hampton Roads, Vanessa V. Aubuchon and Michelle N. Lynde, Young Professional Officers

Third Place: Rocky Mountain, Alexandra Dukes, Young Professional Officer

Large

First Place: St. Louis, Stephen Clark, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Roger Tokars, Young Professional Officer

Third Place: San Diego, Lindsey Sweeney, Young Professional Officer

Medium

First Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Wichita, Vicki Johnson, Section Chair

Small

First Place: Sydney, Divya Jindal, Young Professional Officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, Young Professional Officer

Third Place: Savannah, Barry Haddon, Young Professional Officer

Very Small

First Place: Delaware, Daniel Nice and Katie Barbour, Young Professional Officers

Second Place: Adelaide, Shane Farrelly, Young Professional Officer

**2019-2020 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Taylor Coleman (University of Delaware), young professional officer

Second Place: Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Vandenberg, Anthony Touchette (U.S Air Force), program officer

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Ryan Sherrill, young professional officer

Second Place: Utah, Jacob Hopkins, young professional officer

Third Place (tie): Savannah, Scott Terry (Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation)

Third Place (tie): Sydney, Divya Jindal, young professional officer

Medium:

First Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski (Millenium Engineering and Integration) and Patrick Clark (Lockheed Martin Aeronautics), public policy officer

Second Place: Tucson, Michael Hotto, young professional officer

Third Place: Wichita, Julie-Elisa Acosta (Spirit Aerosystems), young professional officer

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Stephen Clark (The Boeing Company), young professional officer

Second Place: San Diego, Zachary Annala, young professional officer

Third Place: Atlanta, Jeremy Young (Generation Orbit), young professional officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Moises Seraphin, young professional officer

Second Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Lindsey Blair, young professional officer

Second Place (tie): Rocky Mountain, Alexandra Dukes (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), young professional section officer

**2020-2021 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Adelaide, Mahdy Alhameed (University of Adelaide), young professional officer

Second Place: Wisconsin, Michael Carkin (Sierra Nevada Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Delaware, Taylor Coleman, young professional officer

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Alexandra Straub (U.S. Air Force), young professional officer

Second Place (tie): Savannah, Alessandra Carno, young professional officer

Second Place (tie): Utah, Justin Wettstein (Northrop Grumman), young professional officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Michael Hotto (Raytheon Technologies), young professional officer

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski (NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center), young professional officer

Third Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Stephen Clark (The Boeing Company), young professional officer

Second Place: Orange County, Bradley Williams (Tyvak Nano-Satellite Systems), young professional officer

Third Place (tie): Niagara Frontier, Walter Gordon, section chair officer

Third Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Dan Londrico, young professional officer

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas: Brett Cornick, Aakash Nareshkumar (RoviSys) and Ken Lui (Ken's Consulting), young professional section officers

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Alexandra Dukes (Lockheed Martin Space Systems) and Tyler Walston, young professional officers

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Michelle Lynde (NASA Langley Research Center) and Brett Hiller (NASA Langley Research Center), young professional section officers

### **2021-2022 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Taylor Coleman, young professional officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Samuel Moyes (Flinders University), section vice chair

Third Place: Central Coast of California, Steven Serniak (U.S. Space Force), young professional officer

Small:

First Place: Utah, Cliff Rossberg (Northrop Grumman Corporation), young professional officer

Second Place: Northwest Florida, Alexandra Straub (U.S. Air Force), young professional officer

Third Place: Wichita, Andrew Sklar (Renew Wichita), young professional officer

Medium:

First Place: Tucson, Peter Olejnik (University of Arizona), young professional officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Antelope Valley, Jason Lechniak (NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center), section chair

Large:

First Place: St. Louis, Stephen Clark (The Boeing Company), young professional officer

Second Place: Northern Ohio, Halle Buescher (HXFive), young professional officer

Third Place: San Diego, Joel Perez (Ursa Major Technologies), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Michelle Lynde (NASA Langley Research Center), Brett Hiller (NASA Langley Research Center), and Morgan Walker (NASA Langley Research Center), young professional section officers

Second Place: Rocky Mountain, Marshall Lee (BedRock Systems), section vice chair

Third Place: Houston, Josh Kivijarv, young professional officer

### **2022-2023 Recipients**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Taylor Coleman, young professional officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Daniel Kilonzo (University of Adelaide), young professional officer

Third Place: Melbourne, Kaja Antleij (Deakin University), section chair

Small:

First Place: Northwest Florida, Prashant Ganesh (University of Florida), young professional officer

Second Place: Utah, Michael Stevens (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Third Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina (Northrop Grumman Corporation), section chair

Medium:

First Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski (NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center), young professional officer

Second Place: Indiana, Robert Kapaku (Rolls-Royce), young professional officer

Third Place (tie): Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Corporation), section chair

Third Place (tie): Illinois, Savas Mavridis (Northrop Grumman Mission Systems), vice chair

Third Place (tie): Tucson, Peter Olejnik, young professional officer

Large:

First Place (tie): Cape Canaveral, Kineo Wallace (Vaya Space), young professional officer

First Place (tie): Northern Ohio, Halle Buescher (NASA Glenn Research Center), young professional officer

Second Place: North Texas, James Sergeant (Virgin Galactic), section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Hampton Roads, Kyle Thompson (NASA Langley Research Center), young professional officer

Second Place: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Courtney Best (The Boeing Company), young professional officer

Third Place (tie): Greater Huntsville, Christopher Kitson (nou Systems), young professional officer

Third Place (tie): New England, Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair

### **2023-2024 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Taylor Coleman, young professionals officer

Second Place: Adelaide, Daniel Kilonzo (University of Adelaide), vice chair

Third Place: Melbourne, Kaja Antleij (Deakin University), section chair

Small:

First Place: Twin Cities, Kristen Gerzina (Northrop Grumman Defense Systems), section chair

Second Place: Palm Beach, Karl Roush (Georgia Institute of Technology), young professionals officer

Third Place: Northwest Florida, Sunny Narayanan (Florida State University), young professionals officer

Medium:

First Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jamil Grant (NDI Engineering), section chair

Second Place: Antelope Valley, Joseph Piotrowski (NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center), young professionals officer

Third Place: Tucson: John Allen, young professionals officer

Large:

First Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair

Second Place: San Diego, Laine D'Augustine (The MITRE Corporation), council member

Third Place: Northern Ohio, Halle Buescher (NASA Glenn Research Center), vice chair; Santino Bianco (NASA Glenn Research Center), professional development chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Luis Cuevas (Lockheed Martin Aeronautics), young professional officer

Second Place: New England, James Wetzel (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory), young professionals officer; Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair; Hiroaki Endo (Schenck USA Corporation Test Devices by Schenck), past chair and advisor

Third Place: Hampton Roads, Kyle Thompson (NASA Langley Research Center); Drew Turbeville (NASA Langley Research Center), young professional officers

### **2024-2025 Recipients:**

Very Small:

First Place: Delaware, Kirstin Walz (Northrop Grumman Mission Systems), STEM K-12 officer

Second Place: Wisconsin, Maddie Shipshock (Sierra Space), university and industry partnership officer

Third Place: Adelaide, Daniel Kilonzo (University of Adelaide), vice chair

Small:

First Place: Palm Beach, Karl Roush (Georgia Institute of Technology), young professionals officer

Second Place: Greater Philadelphia, Jonathan Moore (Lockheed Martin Space Systems), section chair

Third Place: Indiana, Michael Nunez (Rolls-Royce Corp), STEM K-12 co-chair

Medium:

First Place: San Diego, Jema Matthews, young professionals officer

Second Place: Tucson, Dan Rouhani (Composite Construction), treasurer

Third Place: Antelope Valley, Isabella Villano, technical vice chair

Large:

First Place: Saint Louis, Kyler Schaetzle (Boeing Engineering Operations & Technology), young professionals officer;  
Paola Diaz-Portela, co-chair young professionals  
Second Place: Houston, Andrzej Jackowski (NASA Johnson Space Center), social media officer  
Third Place: North Texas, James Sergeant, section chair

Very Large:

First Place: Los Angeles, Luis Cuevas (Lockheed Martin Aeronautics), section chair  
Second Place: New England, Shreyas Hegde (Pratt & Whitney), section chair; Jimmy Wetzel (Charles Stark Draper Laboratory Inc.), vice chair; Osa Osaretin (MIT Lincoln Laboratory), treasurer; Peter Dentch (Pratt & Whitney), STEM K-12 officer; Durgesh Chandel (Massachusetts Institute of Technology), publicity officer; Nandita Hari (GE Aerospace Research), professional development officer  
Third Place: Greater Huntsville, Bob Tramel

### **Outstanding Activity Award**

The Outstanding Activity Award allows the Institute to acknowledge sections that held an outstanding activity deserving of additional recognition.

#### **2015-2016 Recipients**

Very Small: Adelaide, Mark Ramsey, section chair. “Space Entrepreneurs: The Rewards and the Risks”  
Small: Niagara Frontier, Walter Gordon, section chair. New Horizons Interplanetary Mission to Pluto  
Medium: Tennessee, Joe Sheeley, section chair. Rocketday!  
Large: Cape Canaveral, Dave Fleming, section chair. AIAA Cape Canaveral Section Spring Banquet  
Very Large: Dayton/Cincinnati section, Michael List, section chair. Dayton-Cincinnati Aerospace Sciences Symposium (DCASS)

#### **2016-2017 Recipients**

Very Small: Delaware, Mission Space, Appoquinimink School District STEM Event  
Small: Northern New Jersey, Drone Racing, 2017 Civil Air Patrol New Jersey Wing / Northeast Region Combined Conference  
Medium: Tucson, Phoenix Comicon 17  
Large: St. Louis: “What’s in it for Me?” Membership Recruiting Event  
Very Large: (tie) Greater Huntsville, AIAA Greater Huntsville Section Young Professional Symposium  
Houston, Diversity Panel Dinner Event

#### **2017-2018 Recipients**

Very Small: Delaware, International Space Station In-Flight Education Downlink  
Small: Sydney, Women in Aerospace, Taking Advantage of Diversity  
Medium: Wichita, Engineers as Educators  
Large: San Diego, Atlas First Launch Pioneers Celebration, 60 Years Anniversary  
Very Large: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Student Chapter Mini-Conference

#### **2018-2019 Recipients**

Very Small: Delaware, Race to Escape.  
Small: Niagara Frontier, New Horizons Flyby of Ultima Thule.  
Medium: Wichita, An Evening of Eagles — A View from Up High.  
Large: St. Louis, Meet Aurora Flight Sciences.  
Very Large: Los Angeles-Las Vegas, Sci-Tech vs Sci-Fi.

#### **2019-2020 Recipients**

Very Small: Delaware, First State, First Step Viewing  
Small: Northwest Florida, Transit of Mercury  
Medium: Wichita, AIAA Young Professionals Tour Series  
Large: St. Louis, A Practical Guide to Wind-Tunnel Testing Lecture and Tour  
Very Large: Rocky Mountain, Apolopalooza  
Honorable Mention: Greater Huntsville, Greater Huntsville Inaugural Remembrance Event

#### **2020-2021 Recipients**

Very Small: Wisconsin, Rocket Science for Future Engineers

Small: Utah, Wasatch Aerospace and Systems Engineering Mini-Conference

Medium: Tucson, Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo 14 Mission

Large: Northern Ohio, Young Aerospace Visionaries Contest

Honorable Mention: Niagara Frontier, An Inside Look at the F-35A

Very Large: Rocky Mountain, “A Night Amongst the Stars” 2020 Honors & Awards Recognition Drive-In

Honorable Mention: Greater Huntsville, Alabama Quiz Bowl State Championships

### **2021-2022 Recipients**

Very Small: Delaware, The Teen Warehouse Event

Small: Palm Beach, Preparing Middle and High School Students to Write, Publish, and Present Technical Work at Aerospace Conferences

Medium: Antelope Valley, Engineering Week History Symposium

Large: San Diego, Aerospace Trivia Night, Networking for Scholarships

Very Large (tie): Greater Huntsville, Rocket City Invitational Quiz Bowl Tournament

Very Large (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, University Student Branches Mini-Conference 2022

### **2022-2023 Recipients**

Very Small: Melbourne, International Moon Day 2022 event—“The (Re)birth of Australia in Space: Towards Sustainable Lunar Exploration”

Small: Long Island, “Landing on the Moon” at the Cradle of Aviation Museum

Medium: Antelope Valley, First Flights in the Antelope Valley

Large (tie): Cape Canaveral-Palm Beach, Small Satellite Education Conference

Large (tie): Niagara Frontier, X-1 75th Anniversary Commemoration

Large (tie): Northern Ohio, Young Astronauts Day

Very Large (tie): Los Angeles-Las Vegas, “DC-X/XA—The Genesis of Fully Reusable Access to Space”

Very Large (tie): Rocky Mountain, NSBE-AIAA Space Operations Forum 2023

Honorable Mention, Wichita, “To the Moon and To the Planets Beyond: What is the Future of the Artemis HLS”

Honorable Mention, Phoenix, “Taking Flight”

### **2023-2024 Recipients:**

Very Small:

Melbourne, AIAA Melbourne Section Monthly Gatherings

Southern New Jersey, Southern New Jersey Professional Societies Awards Banquet

Wisconsin, Rocket Science for Future Engineers

Delaware, Joint Speaker Exchange with Mid-Atlantic Section

Small:

Palm Beach, SmallSat Education Conference

Central Coast of California, 39th Annual Central Coast STEM Exposition

Northern New Jersey, Careers in Aviation

Sydney, Canberra Airport Open Day

Medium:

Illinois, AIAA UIUC Freshman Conference

Antelope Valley, E-Week History Symposium

Large:

Northern Ohio, Young Astronauts Day

North Texas, Moon Day STEM Event at Frontiers of Flight Museum, Dallas, TX

St. Louis, F/A-18 E1: From the Future of Naval Aviation to Nearly Forgotten Relic.

Cape Canaveral, SmallSat Education Conference.

Orange County, 20th Annual SoCal Aerospace Systems and Technology (ASAT) Conference.

Very Large:

Rocky Mountain, 11th Annual AIAA Rocky Mountain Section Annual Technical Symposium (ATS)

Los Angeles, AIAA LA-LV University Student Branches Mini-Conference 2024

Greater Huntsville, Rocket City QuizBowl  
New England, AIAA New England Honors & Awards Night

**2024-2025 Recipients:**

Very Small: Central Coast of California, 40th Annual AIAA Central Coast STEM Exposition

Small: Sydney, Disappearance and Search for VH MDX

Medium: Tucson, Kitt Peak Observing Program with AIAA Tucson Section

Large: St. Louis, STEM in Action: Engineering the Future at the Challenger Learning Center

Very Large: Los Angeles, Recognition: AIAA Honorary Fellow Class of 2024, Professor Azad Madni of USC

## BEST PAPER - CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Established in 1978 to promote technical and scientific excellence, Certificates of Merit may be given in connection with an Institute sponsored activity and must be approved by the technical committee chairperson or appropriate Technical Specialty Group Coordinator.

A “Best Paper” is defined as any professional and/or student best paper. Recognition generally occurs in connection with the AIAA Forum which corresponds to the topical discipline and may not duplicate or interfere with the AIAA technical excellence award system. However, for a few best papers, recognition is done in connection with another appropriate activity such as a committee meeting, co-sponsored conference or partner event. Certificates of Merit may be used to recognize a speaker at the conclusion of the lecture, acknowledge the efforts of the Forum organizing committee, or recognize a “best paper” presented at an AIAA Forum.

It is of the utmost importance that these awards in no way duplicate or interfere with the AIAA Technical Excellence Award system. The certificates of merit must not be referred to as “awards.”

The selection must be the responsibility of a national committee, such as a technical committee or a Forum organizing committee. The selection group chairperson is responsible for assuring that presentation of certificates is identified in conference proposals and that appropriate arrangements are included in the meeting program in a manner consistent with the relationship of the certificates to AIAA technical excellence and other Institute awards.

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