

CALL for NOMINATIONS

IEEE Visualization and Graphics Technical Community (VGTC)

2025 Virtual Reality Awards

Deadline for nominations: January 5th 2025

We invite and encourage members of the Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality community to nominate individuals for one or more of the 2025 IEEE VGTC VR Awards. The awards will be presented at the 2025 IEEE VR conference, 8-12 March in Saint-Malo, France. The criteria for each award and the nomination forms are here: <https://ieeever.org/2025/awards/vgtc/>. For quick reference, previous winners of each of the awards are listed below.

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Career/Lifetime Achievement Award

2005 Mel Slater
2006 Larry Hodges
2007 Susumu Tachi
2008 Bowen Loftin
2009 Jaron Lanier
2010 Fred Brooks
2012 Lawrence J. Rosenblum
2013 Henry Fuchs
2014 Steven K. Feiner
2015 Michitaka Hirose
2016 Thomas A. Furness III
2017 Grigore Burdea
2018 Mark Bolas
2019 Mark Billinghurst
2020 Victoria Interrante
2021 Mary C. Whitton
2022 Gudrun Klinker
2023 Albert "Skip" Rizzo
2024 Hiroo Iwata

Technical Achievement Award

2005 Mark Bolas
2006 Kay Stanney
2007 C. Cruz-Neira, T. DeFanti, D. Sandin
2008 Bernd Fröhlich
2009 Hirokazu Kato
2010 Ming C. Lin
2012 Dieter Schmalstieg
2013 Mark Billinghurst
2014 Doug Bowman
2015 B. Iribe, M. Antonov, P. Luckey
2016 Anthony Steed
2017 Michael Zyda
2018 Gregory F. Welch
2019 Anatole Lécuyer
2020 Jeremy Bailenson
2021 David P. Luebke
2022 Kiyoshi Kiyokawa
2023 Frank Steinicke
2024 Gordon Wetzstein

Significant New

Researcher Award

2022 Mar Gonzalez-Franco
2023 J. Edward Swan II
2024 Ana Serrano

Service Award

2022 Kiyoshi Kiyokawa
2023 Yifan “Evan” Peng
2024 Mark Billinghamurst

Outstanding Dissertation Award

Winner

2016 Ravish Mehra
2017 A. Maimone, A. Kulik
2018 Sebastian Friston
2019 Qi Sun
2020 Misha Sra
2021 Mayra Barrera Machuca
2022 Nami Ogawa
2023 Praneeth Kuman Chakrvarthula
2024 André Zenner

Honorable Mention

2016 Bireswar Laha Merwan Achibet
2017 Yuta Itoh
2018 Richard Skarbez
2019 James Baumeister
2020 Folker Wientapper
2021 Javad Fotouhi
2022 Katharina Krösl
2023 Jonathan Sutton, Hugo Brument
2024 Fangcheng Zhong

Virtual Reality Academy

2024 Inductees

Hiroo Iwata
Yoshifumi Kitamura
Robert W. Lindeman

Dinesh Manocha
J. Edward Swan II
Gordon Wetzstein

2023 Inductees

Tobias Höllerer
Hong Hua
Blair MacIntyre
Albert “Skip” Rizzo

Frank Steinicke
Wolfgang Stuerzlinger
Hideyuki Tamura

2022 Inductees (Inaugural Class)

Michael Abrash
Kurt Akeley
Michael Antonov
Ron Azuma
Jeremy Bailenson
Mark Billinghamurst
Mark Bolas
Doug A. Bowman
Frederick P. Brooks, Jr.
Grigore Burdea
Sabine Coquillart
Carolina Cruz-Neira
Thomas A. DeFanti
Steven K. Feiner

Myron Krueger
Jaron Lanier
Brenda Laurel
Anatole Lécuyer
Ming C. Lin
Bowen Loftin
Benjamin Lok
Palmer Luckey
David P. Luebke
Betty Mohler
Qunsheng Peng
Ramesh Raskar
Jannick Rolland
Lawrence J. Rosenblum

Scott Fisher
Bernd Fröhlich
Henry Fuchs
Thomas A. Furness III
Michitaka Hirose
Larry F. Hodges
Victoria Interrante
Brendan Iribe
Hirokazu Kato
Kiyoshi Kiyokawa
Gudrun Klinker

Daniel Sandin
Dieter Schmalstieg
Mel Slater
Kay Stanney
Anthony Steed
Ivan Sutherland
Susumu Tachi
Gregory F. Welch
Mary C. Whitton
Michael Zyda