AIHA Fellows

The AIHA Fellows designation was established to recognize full members in good standing, with 15 years of continuous full membership, who have made recognized contributions to industrial hygiene or related disciplines, either through research, leadership, publications, education, or service to AIHA.

Awardees will be honored after the Virtual AIHce EXP 2020.

Stephanie R. Carter, MSPH, PhD, CIH, FAIHA
Nominated by Gary W. Bangs on behalf of the AIHA Pacific Northwest Local Section

William S. Carter, PhD, CIH, FAIHA
Nominated by Marianne Levitsky, AIHA Member

Jeffrey A. Church, CIH, CSP, REHS/RS, FAIHA
Nominated by Lawrence G. Wylie on behalf of the AIHA Toxicology Committee

Joy Erdman, MS, CIH, CSP, FAIHA
Nominated by Celia Booth, AIHA Member

Thomas P. Fuller, ScD, CIH, CSP, MSPH, MBA, FAIHA
Nominated by Steven M. Thygerson, AIHA Member

Ling-Ling Hung, PhD, FAIHA
Nominated by Stephen Derman on behalf of the AIHA Biosafety and Environmental Microbiology Committee

Georgi I. Popov, PhD, QEP, CSP, ARM, SMS, CMC, FAIHA
Nominated by Mary Kay Snow, AIHA Member

Noah Seixas, PhD, CIH, FAIHA
Nominated by Donald J. Garvey on behalf of the AIHA Construction Committee
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AIHA Named Awards

AIHA is more than just an association. It is a community of thought leaders and a conduit for rewarding excellence. AIHA values the profession and our members by providing opportunities and resources to share about the profession and recognizing those professionals who have exemplified excellence and leadership.

Edward J. Baier Technical Achievement Award

M. Andrew Maier, PhD, CIH, DABT, FAIHA

is a thought leader in the integration of industrial hygiene, toxicology, and risk assessment across multiple industrial segments. Maier has authored more than 50 peer reviewed publications, 10 book chapters, and well over 100 government technical reports. Through technical development, he continues to build the scientific community for industrial hygiene, occupational risk assessment, and occupational risk development (OELs). He engages in multiple scientific forums, providing leadership and expertise, as well as mentoring legions of industrial hygienists.

Sponsored by Apex Companies, LLC., this award is given to the individual or group of individuals, company, organization, or association that has made the most significant contribution to industrial hygiene in recent years through technical expertise, innovations, or scientific advancement. Mr. Maier was nominated by Jeanne Fallon-Carine, CIH.

Distinguished Service to AIHA Award

Carter B. Ficklen, III, CIH, CSP

has been a champion of the IH profession for over 20 years. Since 2008, he has taken a leading role in planning the programing for AIHA’s Future Leaders Institute and has served as president of the American Industrial Hygiene Foundation (AIHF), Local Section President of the AIHA Tidewater Local Section, and chair of the AIHA Students and Early Career Professional Committee. For over ten years, he organized and led the very popular CIH Prep technical session at AIHce EXP and most recently, served as the editor to the Industrial Hygiene Reference & Study Guide, 4th edition. His greatest influence has been in leading others by inspiring them to technical, professional, and personal achievement.

This award recognizes distinguished service in the advancement of industrial hygiene, unique technical contributions to the aims and goals of AIHA, proven leadership in the industrial/occupational hygiene profession, influence on public policy or social reform, or public and community service. Mr. Ficklen was nominated by Jennifer Sahmel, MPH, CIH, CSP, FAIHA; Cathy Hovde, CIH, CSP; Megan Canright, MPH, CIH; and Shannon H. Gaffney, PhD, MHS, CIH.

Donald E. Cummings Memorial Award

Harry J. Beaulieu, PhD, CIH, CSP

has made significant technical contributions to the protection of worker health as an educator, researcher, field investigator, speaker, and author. He has worked in academia, government (compliance and enforcement), and as the longtime President of his own consulting company. Demonstrating a commitment to scientific rigor, ethics, and practicality, Harry has brought practical solutions for protecting worker health to hundreds of business and organizations. Over the years, he has had time to make contributions to a variety of professional organizations including AIHA, ASSP, and SESHA. Most importantly, Harry is credited for his effect on the people he has worked with, mentored, and helped. There are many practitioners at all levels who owe a great deal of their professional success to him.

This award is bestowed upon an individual who has made outstanding contributions to the knowledge and practice of industrial hygiene and who has been acknowledged for his/her contributions outside of the field of industrial hygiene. Mr. Beaulieu was nominated by Michael Amster, PE, CIH, CSP, CHMM, FAIHA.
Alice Hamilton Award

L. Faye Grimsley, PhD, CIH, FAIHA has served as a mentor throughout her career to minorities and female health and safety professionals. Over the past 17 years, she has been a passionate and electrifying IH professor at Xavier University and Tulane University. She has published numerous papers, given many presentations, and has counseled all types of professionals about industrial hygiene concerns. The impact of her research and publication regarding the health and safety issues that New Orleans faced with Hurricane Katrina is still being talked about today since it brought to light many concerns that affected an underserved population. Grimsley helped establish the formation of the AIHA Minority Special Interest Group (MSIG) and has been an active member since its inception in 2000, helping to influence social reform. She has been a trailblazer to the IH profession by changing the way that industrial hygienists are viewed and adding diversity to the profession.

This award is presented to an outstanding woman who has made a definitive, lasting achievement in the field of occupational and environmental hygiene through public and community service, social reform, technological innovation, or advancements in the scientific approach to the recognition, evaluation, and control of workplace hazards. Ms. Grimsley was nominated by Kerry-Ann Jaggassar, CIH.

Kusnetz Award

Dana M. Hollins, CIH has accomplished an impressive amount in her career before the age of 40, exhibiting both technical skills and expertise and demonstrating a commitment to the industrial hygiene profession. Employed in the private sector for the entirety of her career with Cardno ChemRisk, Hollins has a strong interest in occupational epidemiology. Early in her career, she began researching and publishing in peer-reviewed literature and to date has co-authored over 13 papers in public health and epidemiology literature. Hollins has also displayed exemplary leadership and dedication to AIHA specifically throughout her career. She was selected to the AIHA Future Leaders Institute in 2012, and after attending this prestigious and competitive program, she served as the Chair of the Occupational and Environmental Epidemiology Committee twice, in both 2013-2014 and 2018-2019. She has also taught a number of professional development courses at AIHce EXP, including on topics related to exposure reconstruction and epidemiology.

Sponsored by Florence Kusnetz, this award honors a certified industrial hygienist who has reached his/her 40th birthday by May 1 of the year in which the award is presented, is currently employed in the private sector, exhibits high ethical standards and technical abilities, has provided for the highest standards of health and safety protection, and shows promise of leadership in the industrial hygiene profession. Ms. Hollins was nominated by Jennifer Sahmel, MPH, CIH, CSP, FAIHA; Megan Canright, MPH, CIH; Shannon H. Gaffney, PhD, MHS, CIH; and John Henshaw, CIH, FAIHA.

Social Responsibility Award

National Council for Occupational Safety and Health (National COSH) works collaboratively with a network of community, health, and labor organizations and activities to ensure that all workers earn their living and return home safely. Recently, they achieved tangible improvements to the health, safety, and well-being of hundreds of thousands of workers across the country – strengthening workplace protections, thwarting efforts to weaken OSHA and other federal agencies, and advancing public policies in local and state arenas. They achieved landmark victories in worker-led workplace and public policy campaigns that resulted in meaningful improvements to working conditions – protecting workers from the harmful effects of wildfires in California, requiring fatality investigations for public employees in New Hampshire and extending OSHA protections for public employees in Massachusetts, and ensuring that the Chemical Safety Board continues its important practice of naming victims of workplace fatalities.

Sponsored by Apex Companies, LLC., this award is presented to an individual, entity, group, or organization who works inside organizations to develop and promote practical solutions to social responsibility issues related to industrial hygiene or environmental health and safety issues. National COSH was nominated by Scott P. Schneider, CIH, FAIHA.
President's Award

Perry W. Logan, PhD, CIH has made many impressive technical contributions to AIHA and the profession, including in the academic study and application of leadership to industrial hygiene roles (something that he has successfully practiced himself as the Global Director of Environment, Health, Safety, and Management at 3M Corporation). His most important technical contributions are in the critical arena of professional judgment by industrial hygienists. His research and dissertation work focused on developing objective professional judgment and assessment strategies to address cognitive biases in industrial hygiene decision making. These groundbreaking ideas have heavily influenced the industrial hygiene community to think carefully about how professional judgment and experience may introduce bias into every day decision-making. Logan served as the past president of the Academy of Industrial Hygiene Council (2012), past chair of the Exposure Assessment Strategies Committee (2008-2009), and is a current member of the Leadership and Management Committee and the 2020 COVID-19 Re-Open America Guidelines group, resulting in the new Back to Work Safely™ initiative. He attended the inaugural 2005 AIHA Future Leaders Institute (FLI) and has since been heavily involved in the facilitation of program development for the FLI program, having served on the advisory group (2008, 2011, 2014, and 2018). He has helped with fundraising, and his enthusiasm for the program has helped make it what it is today.

His success can not only be attributed to his exceptional intelligence, vast experience, and technical knowledge, but also his ability to influence and inspire industrial hygienists to think outside the box and pursue continued learning. Logan served as the past president of the Academy of Industrial Hygiene Council (2012), past chair of the Exposure Assessment Strategies Committee (2008-2009), and is a current member of the Leadership and Management Committee and the 2020 COVID-19 Re-Open America Guidelines group, resulting in the new Back to Work Safely™ initiative. He attended the inaugural 2005 AIHA Future Leaders Institute (FLI) and has since been heavily involved in the facilitation of program development for the FLI program, having served on the advisory group (2008, 2011, 2014, and 2018). He has helped with fundraising, and his enthusiasm for the program has helped make it what it is today.

The President's Award recipient is independently selected by the AIHA President to recognize an individual or group of individuals that s/he feels has demonstrated exemplary service in some capacity.

AIHA® Volunteer Group Awards

Lila Albin Award

Since 1997, the AIHA Indoor Environmental Quality Committee has recognized a peer reviewed article in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health. The article must: (a) provide practical information and expand the knowledge base of IEQ professionals; (b) address a critical IEQ issue; and (c) present the topic clearly and engagingly. This year’s recipients are Lily Yip, Mairead Finn, Andrea Granados, Karren Prost, Allison McGeer, Jonathan B. Gubbay, James Scott, and Samira Mubareka for Influenza Virus RNA Recovered from Droplets and Droplet Nuclei Emitted by Adults in an Acute Care Setting.

Birkner Leadership Award

The AIHA Leadership and Management Committee presents this award to honor the legacy of Ruth McIntyre-Birkner and Larry Birkner. The award is proudly given to an individual exemplifying extraordinaire leadership and management. This year’s recipient is Paul A. Esposito, CIH, CSP.

Rachel Carson Award

The AIHA Environmental Issues Committee awards this honor to Enrique Medina, MS, CIH, CSP, FAIHA and Sanjay Sam Celly, JD, CSP in recognition of their environmental advocacy in the spirit of Rachel Carson. This award is bestowed upon an environmental health and safety (EH&S) professional who has attained outstanding success and distinction in their environmental and...
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industrial health and safety business, profession, or life’s work.

Chaffin Award
By encouraging conference participation and recognizing excellence in the field of ergonomics, the AIHA Ergonomics Committee presents the Chaffin Award to the best ergonomic related technical session at AIHce. Established in 2008, the award honors Dr. Donald B. Chaffin’s many contributions to the field of ergonomics and to AIHA.

Rochelle Crew Memorial Award
This award is given by the AIHA Construction Committee to honor the memory of Rochelle Crew, a long-time construction safety PDC presenter and former member of the committee. The award is given to the best construction-related paper, technical session, or PDC presentation at the previous year’s AIHce EXP. This year’s award goes to Caroline Switzer, CIH, CSP for Tunneling Hazards: Unique Conditions and Considerations.

H. Kenneth Dillon Memorial Award
This award is presented by the AIHA Biosafety and Environmental Microbiology Committee to honor the memory of Dr. Ken Dillon, a former AIHA Fellow and the principal instructor for several years of the popular PDC, Prevention, Determination, and Remediation of Biological Contamination in Indoor Environments. The award is given to the recipient of the best student poster on biosafety or microbiology at AIHce EXP.

Donna Doganiero Award
The AIHA Safety Committee presents this award in honor of Donna Doganiero, CIH, FAIHA to the presenter of the best safety-related technical session at AIHce EXP. The award honors a truly outstanding individual whose achievements and vision continues to move the field of industrial hygiene and safety forward.

The Golden Seed Award
Established in 2007 by the AIHA Students and Early Career Professional Committee, this award recognizes an individual who has mentored and/or demonstrated a commitment to promoting industrial hygiene to students and early career professionals. This year’s recipient is James R. Couch, PhD, CIH, CSP, REHS/RS.

Hazard Prevention and Engineering Controls Committee Best Paper
This award is given by the AIHA Hazard Prevention and Engineering Controls Committee to the best paper that focuses on the use of engineering principles for the prevention and control of health hazards. The awardee is selected by a committee of peers from papers published in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene during the calendar year that precedes the conference.

Nano and Advanced Materials Working Group Best Paper
The AIHA Nano and Advanced Materials Working Group recognizes an article from the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene on peer-reviewed research on nanotechnology. This award will be presented at the Nanotechnology Working Group’s virtual meeting.

Margaret Samways Memorial Student Poster Award
This award honors the memory of Margaret Samways, past chair and long-time member of the AIHA Communication and Training Methods Committee. The award will be given to the best student poster at AIHce EXP that focuses on communication and training methods.

David L. Swift Award Memorial Award
This award honors the memory of Dr. David L. Swift for his outstanding contributions to aerosol and industrial hygiene research. Aerosol research papers published during the previous year in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene are reviewed by the AIHA Aerosol Technology Committee. This year’s award is presented to Christopher Zuidema, Larissa V. Stebounova, Sinan Sousan, Geb Thomas, Kirsten Koehler, and Thomas M. Peters for their paper, Sources of Error and Variability in Particulate Matter Sensor Network Measurements.
**Rising STAR Award**

"The Women in Industrial Hygiene (WIH) Committee is both thrilled and humbled over being designated as an Outstanding Volunteer Group for 2019 and selected as the year’s AIHA Rising Star Award recipient. This young committee is comprised of almost 100 members passionately pursuing projects in collaboration with other AIHA and partner organization committees designed to fulfill our mission statement to, 'provide a platform for professional women to support career development, promote leadership skills, and to share information relevant to women working in industrial hygiene.'

"The committee is not slowing down. Planning for activities for the next AIHce are already underway and a group of committee members is collaborating with AIHA’s Minority SIG and Social Concerns Committee on a COVID-19 related project. On behalf of the WIH Committee, its Leadership Team would like to express our sincerest gratitude over the committee’s selection for this award and pledges that there are even bigger and better things to come!"

~WIH Committee members

**Shining STAR Award**

"It is with great pleasure that we accept the Shining Star Award on behalf of the Ergonomics Committee. We take great pride in our members’ efforts to share relevant ergonomics and human factors information with the greater AIHA community.

"Thank you very much for recognizing the committee’s continuing efforts to improve and expand the knowledge base."

Sincerely,

AIHA Ergonomics Committee Officers
Gary Downey
Penney Stanch
Emily Macomber
Cathy White

**Shining STAR Award**

"On behalf of the AIHA Safety Committee, we would like to thank the AIHA Board of Directors for recognizing our group with an AIHA Shining Star Award.

We continue to strive to raise the level of understanding among AIHA members on issues regarding occupational safety. Our committee activities have included writing and publication of articles on safety-related subjects; development of white papers and guidance documents; and developing, reviewing and/or presenting safety-related educational content at AIHce EXP. We also look to foster the continued presentation of safety-related content at conference through our Doganiero Award and student safety poster judging efforts.

We are encouraged by a significant increase in our active membership over the past few years, as well as possible collaborations with other AIHA Volunteer Groups and with outside safety-related organizations. The AIHA Safety Committee will continue to serve as a resource to AIHA on safety-related matters, and we are most appreciative of this recognition of our efforts.

~AIHA Safety Committee members
Shining STAR Award

"The Leadership & Management Committee (L&MC) is honored with the selection of this volunteer group (VG) as a Shining Star for 2020. Past Chair Joy Erdman noted, "We've demonstrated that value of T.E.A.M. (Together Everyone Accomplishes More) work." Many people contributed their time and talent to the various projects of L&MC in the past year, with Joy at the helm.

"One of our teams compiled a brochure that provides an overview of our accomplishments (see attachment), which includes a variety of professional development courses, education sessions, Synergist articles, and webinars for AIHA members. As highlighted in the brochure, we collaborate, we engage, we interact, and we inform.

"L&MC meets monthly as a full committee, with the officers meeting an additional time each month to keep the momentum going on projects and to maintain focus on the annual calendar of events. The committee also collaborates with other VGs such as Women in IH (WIH Leadership Summit) and is working with a large group of VGs and AIHA staff to present a Personal Protective Equipment and Clothing Fashion Show at AIHce 2021.

"Paul Esposito, the Birkner Leadership Awardee for 2019, gave a fabulous inaugural Birkner Award Leadership Lecture at AIHce 2020. Our current Chair, Brad Rodgers, deftly brought us into the Zoom meeting age at our annual meeting and we are blessed to have Steve Jahn join us as Secretary-Elect, bringing his experience on CPAG (Content Priority Advisory Group) to our team. Current Secretary Eltaneice Bolden brings a wealth of knowledge about managing the health and safety of workers returning to work in the COVID-19 age with her influence on the C-Suite at GM. Vice Chair Celia Booth received a Volunteer Service Award for her work on the soft skills webinars on emotional intelligence and conflict resolution that were presented at AIHce 2020.

"And the best is yet to come!"

Sincerely,
Celia A. Booth, Vice Chair
B. Rodgers, Chair
J. Erdman, Past Chair
E. Bolden, Secretary
S. Jahn, Secretary-Elect

Soaring STAR Award

AIHA Confined Space Committee

Shining STAR Award

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Upton Sinclair Lecture Award
The Upton Sinclair Memorial Lecture on EHS Investigative Reporting is hosted by the AIHA Social Concerns Committee. Journalist Susie Neilson from the UC Berkeley Graduate School for Journalism will discuss her expose on “Unseen: Working in the Shadow of the Golden State” on Monday, June 1 from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

John M. White Award
The John M. White Award was established by the AIHA Respiratory Protection Committee to encourage scientific and application-oriented research in respiratory protection. This year’s award goes to Jayson C. Clinger and Patrick T. O’Shaughnessy for Breakthrough Analysis for Filtering Facepiece Respirators Impregnated with Activated Carbon.

2019 AIHA Bestseller
This award is presented to the editor of the new publication that sold the most copies during the year. The 2019 best seller is presented to Carter B. Ficklen, III, CIH, CSP, editor of Industrial Hygiene Reference & Study Guide, 4th edition.

2019 Critics’ Choice Award
The Critic’s Choice Award honors a publication completed in 2019. The AIHA Publications Committee evaluates all publications and selects one to recognize for their impact on the profession, originality, and quality of writing. This year’s recipients are Sheree L. Gibson, Mary O'Reilly, Marjorie K. Werrell, and Cathy White, the editors of An Ergonomics Guide to Computer Workstations, 3rd edition.

AIHA® Local Section Awards
Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society Best Paper Award
The Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society Best Paper Award was established by MIHS in 1957 for recognition of an outstanding publication in the American Industrial Hygiene Association Journal. In 1989, the MIHS board of directors voted to also recognize the authors of the best paper in applied industrial hygiene from the Applied Occupational and Environmental Hygiene Journal. Both journals combined in 2004 to form the current Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene. MIHS continues to present a Best Paper Award each year. This year’s winners are Michael S. Bergman, Ziging Zhuang, Susan Shuhong Xu, Samy Rengasamy, Robert B. Lawrence, Brenda Boutin, and James R. Harris for Assessment of Respirator Fit Capability Test Criteria for Full-Facepiece Air-Purifying Respirators.

Special Recognition
Minority Special Interest Group (MSIG) Special Milestone
This year AIHA’s MSIG is celebrating its 20th Anniversary. Since its inception, MSIG has helped to address issues and concerns that uniquely affect minorities and individuals from underserved communities. Cheers to MSIG on achieving this special achievement and many wishes for future success!