

Dear Colleague:

I am writing to ask your help in identifying potential recipients of two newly created awards that are being offered by the IEEE UFFC Ultrasonics Community. These awards are designed to recognize very significant contributions on the part of an early-career member (the [IEEE Ultrasonics Young Investigator Award](#)) and a mid-career member (the [IEEE Carl Hellmuth Hertz Ultrasonics Achievement Award](#)). Descriptions of the awards and criteria for eligibility are included in the attached document and are available on the [IEEE UFFC website](#).

Nominations are sought of individuals in small and large companies, government laboratories, and academic institutions. In recognition of the wide differences in the kinds of contributions that are central to the goals of each of these divergent components of our Ultrasonics community, a flexible two-page nomination format will be employed. The submission should begin with the name and contact information (email and telephone) of the nominator followed by that information for the nominee. The next entry should be a brief (one sentence or less) proposed citation that will accompany the announcement of the award if the candidate is selected. The remainder of the two-page submission may be used as the nominator chooses to highlight reasons that the selection committee should consider in evaluating the candidate. Suggested entries are 1) educational history, 2) professional history, 3) engineering, scientific, and technological contributions, 4) awards or other professional recognitions, 5) A synopsis of the contributions that motivate the nominator to promote the candidate. It will be helpful to identify which of the five groups of the [Ultrasonics Symposium's Technical Program Committee](#) (Group 1: Medical Ultrasonics; Group 2: Sensors, NDE, and Industrial Applications; Group 3: Physical Acoustics; Group 4: MicroAcoustics - SAW, FBAR, MEMS; and Group 5: Transducers and Transducer Materials) reflects most closely the contributions of the candidate.

The format for the submission is at the discretion of the nominator. Tables, bulleted lists, and the judicious use of white space are often more effective in communicating than densely packed text. Highlighting a specific patent or the nominee's contributions to a successful device or product illustrated with a photo might be appropriate for some candidates, whereas highlighting a published paper or a particularly impactful presentation the IEEE International Ultrasonics Symposium might be appropriate for others. A selection committee drawn from a very wide range of interests, backgrounds, and affiliations will evaluate and rank the submissions.

**The submission is due no later than April 1, 2014** and is required to be in pdf format and of two pages in length. No supplemental material will be considered. Please send this to me as an email attachment at the email address below. Please use the Subject line "IEEE Ultrasonics Award" and please title the attached pdf file with the nominee's name in the form "Joseph\_Jones.pdf". I will acknowledge each submission by email. If you do not receive an acknowledgement within one week, please contact me.

Thanks for your help in identifying outstanding candidates for these two prestigious awards.

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