



# Awards and Recognition Committee (ARC)

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# How Important are Awards?

- ▶ We are a Volunteer-Driven Organization
- ▶ Awards show that hard-work is recognized and appreciated
- ▶ Awards encourage current volunteers to continue serving
- ▶ Awards inspire members to volunteer
- ▶ Awards are a sign of Section vitality



# Awards and Recognition Committee: Members

## *Committee Members for 2021*

- ▶ Chair: Nelson Lourenco (Atlanta)
- ▶ Vice Chair: Don Hill  
(Lexington – non-voting)
- ▶ PAC Representative: Jacquelyn  
Cunningham (Columbia)
- ▶ Danny Merkl (Alabama)
- ▶ Carlos Cabrera (Broward)
- ▶ Grayson Randall (Eastern NC)
- ▶ Damith Wickramanayake (Jamaica)
- ▶ Chirath Pathiravasam (Piedmont)
- ▶ No two *voting* ARC members from same area
- ▶ ARC chair
- ▶ Appointed representative from PAC chair with  
R3 Director concurrence
- ▶ 5 additional delegates who are currently or  
have previously been Section chairs
- ▶ Past R3 director/delegate serves as mentor  
(Gregg Vaughn)

# Awards and Recognition Committee: Responsibilities

## *Committee Responsibilities*

- ▶ Administer Region 3 awards program
- ▶ Publicize Region 3 and other IEEE awards
- ▶ Encourage Sections to nominate qualified members
- ▶ Present proposed award recipients to the Region 3 ExCom
- ▶ Provide awardee information to Region 3 Director
- ▶ Support Region 3 Member Activities Committee in maximizing media exposure
- ▶ Provide information on awards to SoutheastCon General Chair
- ▶ Ensure the Awards Ceremony runs smoothly
- ▶ Keep current documentation on Region awards and overall management of the awards operation in the Region
- ▶ Manage awards budget and submit preliminary budget prior to fall Region 3 ExCom meeting
- ▶ Actively encourage Sections and Chapters to recognize the members

# Awards and Recognition Committee: Activities & Goals

## *Activities and Goals for 2021*

- ▶ Committee meetings
  - Post-SoutheastCon debrief to capture lessons learned and next steps
  - Committee re-assessment of professional award descriptions and judging criteria
- ▶ Other activities
  - Work with R3 webmaster to update awards information site
  - Schedule January meeting to vote on the previous year's awardees
- ▶ Investigate new media to increase publicity of awards nominations
- ▶ Update ARC chair slides to encompass changes to website, new deadlines, lessons learned, etc.
- ▶ Document how to administer OpenWater awards site
- ▶ Update awards manual with corrected Section anniversary dates and new YP award
- ▶ Ensure awards nominations site follows ARC manual
- ▶ Submit Summer article on award winners and Fall article on upcoming nomination period in R3 newsletter

## Region 3 Award: General Criteria

**Level and extent of distinction for specific award**

**Productivity of contributions for specific award**

**Service to the Institute**

**Service to profession outside of IEEE**

See Specific Criteria AND General Guidance sections for award of interest in ARC manual  
Following slides provide general descriptions for each award

# Region 3 Professional Awards (as of January 2021)

## Daniel W. Jackson Award

**Purpose:** To recognize a Past Director who, through continuing service to the Region and to the Institute, has made exemplary contributions to the electrotechnology profession.

## Joseph M. Biedenbach Outstanding Engineering Educator Award

**Purpose:** To recognize a member of Region 3 who has shared technical and professional abilities through teaching in industry, government, or in an institution of higher learning and in so doing has made an outstanding contribution to the electrotechnology profession.

## Region 3 Outstanding Engineer Award

**Purpose:** To recognize a member of Region 3 who, through technical and professional abilities, has made an outstanding contribution to the electrotechnology profession.



# Region 3 Professional Awards (as of January 2021)

## Region 3 Outstanding Service Award

To recognize a member of Region 3 who, through service to the Region and the Institute, has made an outstanding contribution to the electrotechnology profession.

## Professional Leadership Award

Purpose: To recognize a member of Region 3 for outstanding leadership efforts in achieving the professional [economic, ethical, legislative, social] aims of IEEE in the United States.

## Employer Professional Development Award

Purpose: To recognize an employer in Region 3 for outstanding contributions in advancing the professional development of employees.





# Region 3 Professional Awards (as of January 2021)

## Young Professional Award

To promote, recognize and support contributions from young professional members within IEEE Region 3. This award recognizes leadership in service, education, innovation, entrepreneurship or in furthering the goals of the IEEE Young Professionals.

# Region 3 Awards Site

- **Region 3 now uses Open Water for awards nominations**
  - <https://ieee.secure-platform.com/a/solicitations/259/home>
- **May use IEEE credentials to log on**
- **Fill in requested information; you will receive an email confirmation**
- **Start early!**
  - **Familiarize with awards website**
  - **Gather information on candidate**
  - **Get two endorsement letters**
  - **Allow time for “features” of website**

# Thank you!

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