**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://ieeevr.org/2025/awards/vgtc/](https://ieeevr.org/2023/awards/vgtc/). For quick reference, previous winners of each of the awards are listed below.

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**Career/Lifetime Technical   
Achievement Award Achievement Award**

2005 Mel Slater 2005 Mark Bolas

2006 Larry Hodges 2006 Kay Stanney

2007 Susumu Tachi 2007 C. Cruz-Neira, T. DeFanti, D. Sandin

2008 Bowen Loftin 2008 Bernd Fröhlich

2009 Jaron Lanier 2009 Hirokazu Kato

2010 Fred Brooks 2010 Ming C. Lin

2012 Lawrence J. Rosenblum 2012 Dieter Schmalstieg

2013 Henry Fuchs 2013 Mark Billinghurst

2014 Steven K. Feiner 2014 Doug Bowman

2015 Michitaka Hirose 2015 B. Iribe, M. Antonov, P. Luckey

2016 Thomas A. Furness III 2016 Anthony Steed

2017 Grigore Burdea 2017 Michael Zyda

2018 Mark Bolas 2018 Gregory F. Welch

2019 Mark Billinghurst 2019 Anatole Lécuyer

2020 Victoria Interrante 2020 Jeremy Bailenson

2021 Mary C. Whitton 2021 David P. Luebke

2022 Gudrun Klinker 2022 Kiyoshi Kiyokawa

2023 Albert “Skip” Rizzo 2023 Frank Steinicke

2024 Hiroo Iwata 2024 Gordon Wetzstein

**Significant New   
Researcher Award Service Award**

2022 Mar Gonzalez-Franco 2022 Kiyoshi Kiyokawa

2023 J. Edward Swan II 2023 Yifan “Evan” Peng

2024 Ana Serrano 2024 Mark Billinghurst

**Outstanding Dissertation Award**

**Winner Honorable Mention**

2016 Ravish Mehra 2016 Bireswar Laha Merwan Achibet

2017 A. Maimone, A. Kulik 2017 Yuta Itoh

2018 Sebastian Friston 2018 Richard Skarbez

2019 Qi Sun 2019 James Baumeister

2020 Misha Sra 2020 Folker Wientapper

2021 Mayra Barrera Machuca 2021 Javad Fotouhi

2022 Nami Ogawa 2022 Katharina Krösl

2023 Praneeth Kuman Chakrvarthula 2023 Jonathan Sutton, Hugo Brument

2024 André Zenner 2024 Fangcheng Zhong

**Virtual Reality Academy**

**2024 Inductees**

Hiroo Iwata Dinesh Manocha

Yoshifumi Kitamura J. Edward Swan II

Robert W. Lindeman Gordon Wetzstein

**2023 Inductees**

Tobias Höllerer Frank Steinicke

Hong Hua Wolfgang Stuerzlinger

Blair MacIntyre Hideyuki Tamura

Albert “Skip” Rizzo

**2022 Inductees (Inaugural Class)**

Michael Abrash Myron Krueger

Kurt Akeley Jaron Lanier

Michael Antonov Brenda Laurel

Ron Azuma Anatole Lécuyer

Jeremy Bailenson Ming C. Lin

Mark Billinghurst Bowen Loftin

Mark Bolas Benjamin Lok

Doug A. Bowman Palmer Luckey

Frederick P. Brooks, Jr. David P. Luebke

Grigore Burdea Betty Mohler

Sabine Coquillart Qunsheng Peng

Carolina Cruz-Neira Ramesh Raskar

Thomas A. DeFanti Jannick Rolland

Steven K. Feiner Lawrence J. Rosenblum

Scott Fisher Daniel Sandin

Bernd Fröhlich Dieter Schmalstieg

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