



Corporate Directors Forum  
**DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR**  
Past Honorees

**Past Honorees by Category:**

**Director of the Year for Corporate Governance:**

- 2021 — David Tehle, Jack in the Box Inc.
- 2020 — Maureen Breakiron-Evans, Cubic Corporation
- 2019 — Mark Foletta, Dexcom, Inc.
- 2018 — Bradley H. Feldmann, Cubic Corporation
- 2017 — Martha Demski, Director, Chimerix & Neothetics
- 2016 — Magda Marquet, Ph.D., Althea Technologies, Inc.
- 2015 — Richard Sulpizio, ResMed, Inc.
- 2014 — Frederick T. Muto, Isis Pharmaceuticals Inc.
- 2013 — Jack R. Blair, NuVasive, Inc.
- 2012 — Robert S. Sullivan, Director, Cubic Corporation
- 2011 — Gary W. Pace, Director, ResMed, Inc.
- 2010 — John F. Schaefer, Director, Websense
- 2009 — Ronald A. Matricaria, Director, Life Technologies
- 2008 — Neal E. Schmale, Chairman, WD-40 Company
- 2007 — Karin Eastham, Director, SGX Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
- 2006 — William D. Jones, Sempra Energy
- 2005 — Raymond V. Dittamore, Director, Invitrogen & Qualcomm, Inc.
- 2004 — Duane A. Nelles, Director, Qualcomm, Inc.
- 2003 — Charles A. Mathews, CEO, DermTech International
- 2002 — Rich Collato, President & CEO, San Diego County YMCA
- 2001 — Timothy J. Wollaeger, General Partner, Kingsbury Associates, Chairman,  
Digirad Corporation
- 2000 — David R. Flowers, former Chairman and CEO, Pulse Engineering, Inc.
- 1999 — William H. Rastetter, IDEC Pharmaceuticals Corp.
- 1998 — Thomas C. Stickel, American Partners Capital Group

**Director of the Year for Enhancement of Economic Value:**

- 2021 — Jeffrey W. Martin, Sempra
- 2020 — Kim Blickenstaff, Tandem Diabetes Care
- 2019 — Jay B. Lichter, Synthorx
- 2018 — John P. Case, Realty Income Corporation
- 2017 — Kevin C. Gorman, Ph.D., CEO, Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc.
- 2016 — Mark D. Dankberg, ViaSat, Inc.
- 2015 — Pratik Shah, Ph.D., Auspex Pharmaceuticals

2014 — Gerald T. Proehl, President, CEO & Director, Santarus, Inc.  
2013 — Greg T. Lucier, Life Technologies  
2012 — Daniel Bradbury, President & CEO, Amylin Pharmaceuticals Inc.  
2011 — Jay T. Flatley, President & CEO, Illumina, Inc.  
2010 — David L. Schlotterbeck, Chairman & CEO CareFusion Corporation  
2009 — Andrew E. Senyei, MD, Chairman Genoptix, Inc.  
2008 — Robert P. Akins, Chairman & CEO, Cymer, Inc.  
2007 — Donald Felsing, Chairman & CEO, Sempra Energy  
2006 — Joseph C. Cook, Jr., Amylin Pharmaceuticals  
2005 — John Reardon, Director, One Stop Systems  
2004 — Donald W. Grimm, Director, Invitrogen  
2003 — Garry O. Ridge, President & CEO, WD-40 Company  
2002 — Peter Farrell, PhD, President & CEO, ResMed, Inc.  
2001 — David M. Rickey, Chairman, President & CEO, Applied Micro Circuits Corp.  
2000 — Dr. Irwin M. Jacobs, Chairman, CEO and Founder, QUALCOMM, Inc.  
1999 — David A. Purcell (head of Encad), Metallic Power, Inc.  
1998 — Giles H. Bateman, CompUSA

**Director of the Year for Companies in Transition:**

2021 — Schmid, John, AnaptysBio, Design Therapeutics, Poseida Therapeutics  
2020 — Carol Gallagher, ChromaCode  
2019 — Daniel J. Wolterman, NuVasive, Inc.  
2018 — Tina S. Nova, Ph.D., Arena Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
2017 — Cam L. Garner, Chairman & Director, Zogenix, Oncernal Therapeutics, Kalyra Pharmaceuticals  
2016 — Jim Buechler, Ballast Point Brewing  
2015 — Kieran T. Gallahue, Volcano Corporation  
2014 — John W. Kozarich, Ph.D., Chairman, Ligand Pharmaceuticals  
2013 — Stanley T. Crooke, MD, PhD, Isis Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
2012 — Harry Hixson, Jr., Chairman & CEO, Sequenom Inc.  
2011 — Lisa Suennen, Director, PatientSafe Solutions, Inc.  
2010 — Douglas D. Wheat, Chairman, AMN Healthcare Inc.  
2009 — Murray H. Hutchison, Director, Jack in the Box, Inc.  
2008 — Reynolds C. Bish, Director, Iomega Corp.  
2007 — Steven Francis, Chairman, AMN Healthcare, Inc  
2006 — John H. Warner Jr., Ph.D., SAIC  
2005 — Susan H. Snow & Julie Meier Wright, Directors (Co-Honorees),  
Maxim Systems  
2004 — Ralph V. Whitworth, Chairman, Apria Healthcare  
2003 — Gerald J. Yakatan, Ph.D., CEO, Avanir Pharmaceuticals  
2002 — Joseph Cook, Jr., President & CEO, Amylin Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
2001 — Eric P. Wenaas, Ph.D., Chairman, President & CEO, Jaycor, Inc.,  
Chairman, JNI Corporation  
2000 — Dr. Gene W. Ray, Founder, The Titan Corporation  
1999 — Richard D. Farman, Sempra Energy  
1998 — John C. Stiska, Qualcomm Inc. (no longer with Qualcomm)

### **Director of the Year for Emerging Board Leader:**

- 2021 — Sandra Pelletier, Evofem Biosciences, Inc.
- 2020 — Michael J. Farrell, ResMed, Inc.
- 2019 — Sabrina Martucci Johnson, Daré Bioscience, Inc.
- 2018 — Oliver “Chip” Brewer, Callaway Golf (“Rising Star” category)

### **Director of the Year for Corporate Citizenship:**

- 2017 — Ron Fowler, Director, SD Padres & University of San Diego
- 2016 — NONE
- 2015 — Leonard A. Comma, Jack in the Box, Inc.
- 2014 — Susan R. Salka, President & CEO, AMN Healthcare
- 2013 — Jessie J. Knight, Jr., San Diego Gas & Electric
- 2012 — Paul Hering, Managing Principal & CEO, Barney & Barney LLC
- 2011 — Alexis V. Lukianov, Chairman & CEO, NuVasive, Inc.
- 2010 — S. Douglas Hutcheson, President, CEO & Director, Leap Wireless International, Inc.
- 2009 — Robert D. Buell, Partner, Luce Forward
- 2008 — John Moores, Chairman, San Diego Padres
- 2007 — Philip C. Blair/Mel Katz, Manpower, Inc.
- 2006 — Rodney N. Lanthorne, Kyocera International
- 2005 — Lawrence W. Shea, Director, YMCA
- 2004 — Edwin Guiles, Group President Regulated Business Units, SDG&E
- 2003 — Robert B. Horsman, President & CEO, San Diego National Bank
- 2002 — William K. Geppert, Vice President & General Manager, Cox Communications
- 2001 — Harvey P. White, Chairman & CEO, Leap Wireless International
- 2000 — Peter P. Savage, former President and Chairman of the Board, AppliedDigital Access
- 1999 — D. M. (Don) Ings, Solar Turbines, Inc.
- 1998 — Duane J. and Theodore D. Roth, Alliance Pharmaceutical

### **Director of the Year for Not-for-Profit:**

- 2021 — Steve Bernstein, Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank
- 2020 — Jennie Brooks, SD Regional Economic Development Corp & UCSD Rady School of Management
- 2019 — Lori Moore, Sharp Healthcare
- 2018 — RADM Ronne Froman Blue, USS Midway Museum
- 2017 — Doug Obenshain, Director, Sanford-Burnham Prebys Medical Discover Institute
- 2016 — Carol Chang, UCSD Foundation
- 2015 — Jeffrey Jacobs, Challenged Athletes Foundation
- 2014 — Kathleen Sellick, President & CEO, Rady Children’s Hospital
- 2013 — Lauree M. Sahba, Voices for Children
- 2012 — Debra L. Reed, Chair, San Diego Region Economic Development Corp.
- 2011 — Darlene Marcos Shiley, Director, University of San Diego & others
- 2010 — Robert J. Watkins, Director, San Diego Regional Economic Development Corp.
- 2009 — Michael W. Murphy, President & CEO, Sharp HealthCare

2008 — Karla J. Hertzog, Director, YMCA of San Diego County  
2007 — Bruce Blakley, San Diego Foundation  
2006 — Chris D. Van Gorder, Scripps Health Board of Trustees  
2005 — The Honorable Alice D. Sullivan (Ret.), Chairman, Scripps Research Institute  
2004 — Michelle Candland, Chairperson, The Monarch School Project  
2003 — Susan H. (Ten Eyck) Mallory. Sr., Banker, UCSD Athena  
2002 — Julie Meier Wright, President & CEO, San Diego Regional EDC  
2001 — John W. Johnson, Retiring President & CEO, San Diego Urban League  
2000 — John C. Raymond, President, The Greystone Group, L.P.  
1999 — Linda L. Katz, Senior Community Centers of San Diego

**Director of the Year for Lifetime Achievement in Corporate Governance:**

2021 — M. Faye Wilson, Various Boards  
2020 — Henry L. Nordhoff, Various Boards  
2019 — Mike Grey, Various Boards  
2018 — Jim Blair, Ph.D., Various Boards  
2017 — Harvey White, Various Boards  
2016 — Peter C. Farrell, Ph.D., Various Boards  
2015 — William H. Rastetter, Ph.D., Various Boards  
2014 — Karin, Eastham, Director, Various Boards  
2013 — Timothy Wollaeger, Director, Various Boards  
2012 — Lynn Schenk, Director, Various Boards  
2011 — Irwin Jacobs, Director, Various Boards  
2010 — Malin Burnham, Director, Various Boards  
2009 — James M. Sweeney, Director, Various Boards  
2008 — Lesley H. Howe, Director, Various Boards  
2007 — Ron Taylor, Director, Various Boards  
2006 — Ernest Rady, Various Boards  
2005 — James Berglund, Director, Various Boards  
2004 — Daniel W. Derbes, Chairman, WD—40 Company  
2003 — Duwaine Townsen, Principal, EndPoint Late—Stage Funds  
2002 — Anne L. Evans, Chairman, Evans Hotels  
2001 — Charles C. Edwards, MD  
2000 — Jack W. Goodall, Chairman, Jack in the Box Inc.  
1999 — J. Robert Beyster, Science Applications International Corp.  
1998 — Thomas A. Page, SDG&E and Enova (recently retired from both)

**Director of the Year COVID Impact Award:**

2021 — P. Kay Coleman, The San Diego Foundation

**Director of the Year for Lifetime Legacy:**

2020 — Warren O. Kessler, San Diego Symphony Orchestra  
2019 — Robert S. Sullivan, Rady School of Management, UC San Diego

2018 — Debra L. Reed, Sempra Energy

**Director of the Year for Lifetime Contribution to Life Sciences:**

2016 — David F. Hale, Various Boards

**Prior to 1998, there was only one award category for Director of the Year:**

1997 — Richard H. Chandler, Sunrise Medical Inc

1996 — John Thornton

1995 — Ron Taylor, Pyxis Corp

1994 — Kenneth E. Olson, Proxima Corp

1993 — Tom Page, SDG&E

1992 — David Hale, Gensia Pharmaceuticals

1991 — Howard "Ted" Greene, Jr., Amylin Corporation

**Corporate Directors Forum's Director of the Year:**

2020 — Phillip Rudolph

2019 — Annalisa Barrett

2018 — John Skousen

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2016 — Julia Brown

2015 — Scott Stanton

2014 — Michael McCloskey

2013 — Jack Yelverton

2012 — Christina de Vaca

2011 — Michael J. Berthelot

2010 — Garry O. Ridge

2009 — Daniel P. Schreiber

2008 — Stan Sewitch

2007 — Larry Stambaugh

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2005 — Janice A. Kassebaum

2004 — Robert Waltz

2003 — Cass Cassidy

2002 — Larry Stambaugh

2001 — Ann Randolph

2000 — Guy Iannuzzi

1999 — W. Gerald Newmin

1998 — Farrest Loper