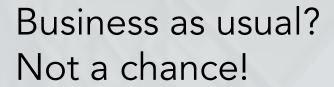


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# PROGRAM O17 Judges – Emcee Joel Zeff,

5:30 Reception 6:30 Doors Open

7:00 Opening Remarks, Recognize Sponsors, Past Tech Titans and 2017 Judges – Emcee Joel Zeff, Gala Chair Deborah Sawyer, ZRG Partners

Presenting Sponsor Remarks – Joanne Moretti, Radius Innovation & Development (a Jabil company)

Welcome Remarks - Rich McBee, Tech Titans Chairman of the Board

Social Media Update – HumCap

**Tech Titan of the Future** 

**University Level** – presented by Huawei Technologies **High School Level** – presented by VLSIP Technologies

**STEM Initiative** – presented by State Farm

7:30 Dinner

8:30 Hall of Fame Induction – Joanne Moretti, Radius Innovation and Development (a Jabil company)

Fast Tech Awards Presentation – Crowe Horwath, Comerica Bank, Dallas Business Journal

**Tech Titans Programs Update** – presented by PWC

**Technology Inventors** – presented by Dassault Systemes

**Innovation Update** – presented by Ericsson

**Corporate Innovation** – presented by Ericsson

**Corporate CIO** – presented by Deloitte

**Technology Adopter** – presented by Thomson Reuters

**Corporate CEO** – presented by Masergy

**Technology Advocate** – presented by Nokia

**Corporate CTO** – presented by Fujitsu Network Communications

**Tech Titans Forums Update** – presented by Axxess

**Investment Catalyst** – presented by CyrusOne

**Emerging Company Innovation** – presented by Capital One

**Emerging Company CEO** – presented by ZRG Partners

10:00 Gala Closing Remarks - Joel Zeff and Deborah Sawyer

## GALA CHAIR Deborah Sawyer, ZRG

It's the night we've been waiting for!

On behalf of the Tech Titans Board of Directors, the 2017 Gala Committee (*listed below*) and our Title Sponsor – Radius Innovation & Development, a Jabil company – welcome to the 17th Annual Tech Titans Awards Gala.

This is truly the night for everyone involved in the North Texas technology industry to take a moment for reflection on their own accomplishments and those of our finalists as we celebrate innovation and achievement.

The innovation we honor this year began with the submission of 160 of the best nominations we've ever received. These are individuals and companies doing the unusual, creating the disruptive and launching the new ideas that will change the world. Tech Titans salutes them for their outstanding work and those who took the time to nominate them. Our judges had a most difficult task.

Tonight we honor our 2017 finalists – a first class group of educators, innovators and leaders in the North Texas technology industry.

The Gala Committee worked tirelessly planning this event. We are here tonight in this beautiful new hotel because of the hard work of these dedicated volunteers. Thank you!

The awards gala would not be possible without our sponsors who are listed in this program and here in force this evening. Please join me in thanking the sponsors of the 17th Annual Tech Titans Awards Gala for their commitment to innovation and to our organization.

Enjoy your evening!



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#### **Tech Titan of the Future – University Level**

The Tech Titan of the Future University Level award recognizes an accredited educational institution in the DFW Metroplex that encourages and supports students to choose engineering and technology-related disciplines as a preferred career path. This award category spotlights DFW-area higher educational institutions' technology-related curricula and incentives to perpetuate tech-related knowledge transfer.

- **Southern Methodist University** The certificate program for User Experience Design at SMU's Continuing & Professional Education program is taught by industry practitioners. Designed for working adults, the curriculum is continually updated with new technology tools and frameworks required by industry and local employers.
- **Texas A&M University Commerce** implemented Studio Physics in two introductory courses. This Studio model integrates the lab and lecture experience. Initial results include improved retention of fundamental physics concepts which will drive higher retention rates in STEM degree programs.
- University of Texas at Dallas Young Women in Science and Engineering Investigators Program provides low-income students with training in scientific inquiry, exposure to STEM career paths and intensive mentoring by UTD graduate students. Girls leave the program excited about attending college and majoring in a STEM field.
- University of Texas at Dallas –UTD students explore entrepreneurship as a career path through the new Blackstone LaunchPad Program. Students, alumni, and faculty leverage academic lessons, lead tech events and build powerful networks of mentors and professionals who serve as advisors and coaches.



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## **HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Tech Titan of the Future – High-School Level

The Tech Titan of the Future High School Level award recognizes a DFW Metroplex high school (grades 9-12) math or science teacher for development and implementation of an innovative teaching technique or program that inspires student interest regarding further educational and/or career pursuits in science, technology, engineering or math.

- **Kenric Davies,** Frisco ISD, introduced the STEM Guitar program to the Engineering Club at Frisco Liberty High School. As they build electric guitars from kits, students physically interact with applied STEM concepts, from soldering electronics to calculating fret spacing.
- **Dr. Edward Downes,** Alcuin School, is known for his innovation in teaching the challenging International Baccalaureate Computer Science course. He designs and builds physical models to convey abstract mathematics concepts resulting in growing student interest in STEM.
- Candice Lawrence, Wylie ISD As the lead STEM/engineering teacher in Wylie ISD, Candice researches and develops STEM curriculum and teaches advanced STEM courses. A tireless advocate for Career Technical Education, she also trains her students on how to speak to elected officials about educational policy, subjects and careers.
- **Henry Vo,** Richardson ISD, has taught math classes for 10 years in Richardson High School's computer science program and sponsored the after-school club. Every senior participating in the "RHS-Comp-Sci" program has gone on to pursue a STEM-related degree at a major university.



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## **STEM**5th annual Florence Shapiro STEM scholarship award

Congratulations to Lizbeth Zamora, the recipient of this year's Tech Titans \$5,000 Florence Shapiro STEM Scholarship. Zamora is a 2017 graduate of Plano East Senior High School. She will attend the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) in the fall and plans to study biomedical engineering. Tech Titans established the Florence Shapiro STEM scholarship in 2013 and named it for the local former senator who spent years advocating for STEM education in the Texas legislature.

Zamora is graduating with a 4.2 GPA and plans to pursue UTD's five-year master's plan with a target to move into research after graduation. "I like biomedical engineering because it has equal amounts of math and science, which I enjoy," she said.

Zamora's family pushed her to achieve despite the negative messaging and pressure she encountered growing up.



Pictured are Tech Titans President Bill Sproull, Lisbeth's brother Edgar, father Antonio, PISD Foundation Director Kristin Alexander, mother Ana, Lizbeth, PISD Foundation President Chris Braqq, Florence Shapiro.

"My parents have made sure that my independence includes freedom from stereotypes regarding women, specifically Latinas," said Zamora. "My mother is my role model, because she is so hardworking."

A member of Students with Disabilities, Peer Assistant Leadership Students and National Honor Society among several other organizations, Zamora is committed to being a role model for her community.

"I aspire to break down the figurative barriers that label me," said Zamora. "I want to grow and flourish into a powerful and knowledgeable Latina. My accomplishments will create a domino effect by driving others, such as my younger siblings, towards self-achievement and happiness."

For her, earning a college degree will be the culmination of her parents' work to set her up for success.

"I have decided that the best way that I can express my gratefulness to [my parents] is by expanding my knowledge and earning a degree in biomedical engineering," said Zamora. "I want to one day be able to look into their eyes and say 'lo hicimos,' we did it."



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Tech Titans' STEM Initiative is creating inspirational experiences for young students to teach them about the joys of STEM. Through summer camps and other educational opportunities, students learn that a career in a STEM field can be exciting, rewarding, and fun.

During the next year, Tech Titans hopes to get professionals from a variety of backgrounds involved in creating introductory materials to tech fields such as healthcare, cloud computing and IoT.

Even if a student never works directly in a job requiring specialized technical knowledge, the cultivation of an educated workforce is priceless. Tech Titans STEM efforts this year are sponsored by State Farm.

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Targeted areas for development during the next several years include:

Help design classroom orientations in Tech Titans areas of expertise, specifically around the special interest forums, like IoT, business analytics, cloud, health tech, cybersecurity and drones.

- Drive career awareness
- Assist students in career preparation
- Develop STEM camps
- Provide the basis for STEM experiential learning

To accomplish these goals, the Tech Titans Talent Team needs help from you, your company and your employees. Here's how you can help:

**Join the STEM Talent Team** as a team member or register as an outreach volunteer. Contact Tech Titans STEM Director Dave Galley at dave@techtitans.org.

**Sign up for STEMfire.** This online database connects professionals with K-12 educators seeking guidance in incorporating real-life STEM examples into the classroom. STEMfire allows volunteers to choose among opportunities to inspire students in their chosen area of expertise. Professionals chose when, how and how much time they spend getting involved. Sign up at www.stemfire.org

**Support the STEM video contest.** Sponsored by State Farm, this contest seeks to help fill the Tech Titans resource vault and provide professionals with compelling content to use while volunteering with students.

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## **Charlie Feld**

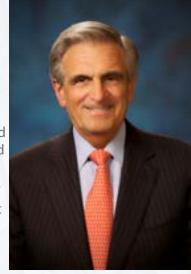
HALL OF FAME

How to describe Charlie Feld? Let's start with the description of the Hall of Fame award: a visionary from the metroplex known for outstanding leadership in assisting, advancing and accelerating the performance of the technology industry and/or adoption of technology in North Texas.

Consider a few of his career highlights and contributions to IT sector:

Charlie began his career in 1966 at IBM. "I had never seen a computer before and did not know what a systems engineer did. However, the job paid well and sounded more important than selling IBM typewriters. It has turned out to be a wonderful journey for me." – Charlie Feld.

After developing a strong knowledge base at IBM, he became head of IT at Frito-Lay, a division of PepsiCo. Charlie rose to the top of the IT function at Frito-Lay and developed a mature IT department. From 1981-92 he served as CIO of Frito-Lay – one of the first outstanding corporate CIOs in America (*Forbes*, July 2014).



Then, he did it all over again. He launched the Feld Group in 1992 and began delivering CIO expertise to major corporations. He served in numerous IT leadership and senior advisory roles, including as Interim CIO at Delta Air Lines, Burlington Northern Railroad, and First Data Resources; adviser to EDS's CEO and board of directors; and mentor to the CIOs of WellPoint and FedEx. From 2004-2008, Charlie was a senior EVP and member of EDS's executive committee. Feld Group was acquired by EDS in 2008 in an \$89M deal.

"Charlie is a true systems thinker. And to be a great CIO, you have to be a systems thinker. These large enterprises are very, very complex systems." - Jean-Michel Ares, CTO, the BMO Financial Group. Dallas Business Journal, February 2017

In 2008 he "retired" and wrote Blind Spot: A Leader's Guide to IT-Enabled Business Transformation.

And in 2009, he launched the Feld Group Institute to develop the next-generation of global business and IT leaders. Its curriculum and management development activities draw heavily upon Charlie's leadership insights, operational experience, and time-tested strategic framework for enterprise success.

In 2017 he continues to shape the future of IT. In recognition of his outstanding career achievements and industry contributions, he is the recipient of this year's Tech Titans Hall of Fame Award as well as Dallas CIO's Leadership Award.

"Charlie's not retired. Charlie's never going to retire." - Tom Nealon, president of Southwest Airlines.

Tom Nealon may be on to something. Congratulations, Charlie!

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Fast Tech Finalists

## **FINALISTS**

#### **Technology Inventors**

The Tech Titans Technology Inventors award recognizes the pioneering accomplishments of a person, team or group responsible for the creation of breakthrough ideas, processes or products which have advanced the discipline(s) of the arts, education, electronics, energy, engineering, environment, medicine and/or science. The nominee is with a DFW Metroplex company or institution.

- **Dr. Ram Dantu,** The University of North Texas High-quality CPR can now be administered by anyone, anywhere, thanks to the smart-phone-based platform invented by Dr. Ram Dantu. The low-cost, mobile device provides real-time evaluation and audio/video feedback from medical personnel during CPR.
- **Dr. Robert Gregg,** The University of Texas at Dallas Dr. Robert Gregg pioneers new approaches to the design and control of prosthetic and orthotic devices. These breakthroughs assist lower-limb amputees and stroke survivors in navigating their homes and communities.
- **Richard Margolin,** RoboKind LLC Richard Margolin's work in social robotics at RoboKind is disrupting traditional therapeutic treatment for children with autism. He designed and invented Milo, a humanoid robot that teaches social and behavioral skills. Kids want to work with Milo again and again.
- **Dr. Samarendra Mohanty,** Nanoscope Technologies, LLC Dr. Samarendra Mohanty's technology breakthroughs have life-changing applications: restoration of vision loss, mitigation of chronic pain and early pre-cancer detection. His work in Biomedical Photonics at Nanoscope Technologies includes nanoenhanced delivery of genes and optical stimulation of neurons.

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## **FINALISTS**

#### **Corporate Innovation**

The Tech Titans Corporate Innovation award recognizes a technology company for outstanding innovation and unique accomplishments through recent or potential breakthrough technology or approach within the technology industry in the DFW Metroplex. The company has a corporate headquarters or a division office in the DFW Metroplex. The company has 2016 operating revenues of more than \$200 million.

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- **Citi**'s Global Consumer Bank is transforming the digital customer experience with their Omni Command Center. This ecosystem encompasses feeds from mobile, online accounts, social media, phone, chat and VRU, and a continual monitoring system. The result? Meaningful, real-time action that eliminates customers issues 85% faster than before.
- **Fujitsu Network Communications**' new Virtual Access Network eliminates costly routing devices and manual provisioning. This solution virtualizes network functions, runs them in centralized computer resources and enables access over any technology more cost effectively.

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#### **Corporate CIO**

The Tech Titans Corporate CIO award recognizes the Chief Information Officer (CIO) of a DFW Metroplex based technology or non-technology company for exceptional technical leadership that fosters the deployment of Information Technology (IT) resulting in significant value for the company.

- **Ellen Barker,** Texas Instruments, Inc. At TI, Ellen Barker drives a culture of connected data. As Senior Vice President and CIO, she aligns IT with the company's strategies and business objectives. By partnering with key leaders, she adds an IT infrastructure initiative to critical company-level initiatives.
- **Suja Chandrasekaran**, Kimberly-Clark Corporation Chief Information and Digital Officer Suja Chandrasekaran transformed Kimberly-Clark's technology organization into a true thought partner by instilling a consumer-centered mindset focused on digital metrics. IT's strong partnerships with company business units and functions enable a data-driven culture.
- **Janet DeBerardinis,** Caliber Collision Centers Under the leadership of CIO Janet DeBerardinis, Caliber Collision's service locations grew from 86 to 493 in just six years. Her innovative solutions for navigating hyper growth include implementing a cloud-based management system and launching mobile website technology to shorten repair times for customers.
- **Robert Walden,** Epsilon As CIO of managed service provider Epsilon, Robert Walden leads global infrastructure and connectivity services for client-facing products. By advancing IT's core capabilities and leveraging cloud-based solutions, he provides a secure and stable infrastructure ecosystem for clients.

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## **FINALISTS**

#### **Technology Adopter**

The Tech Titans Technology Adopter award recognizes a company with U.S. headquarters in the DFW Metroplex whose core business is not a technology product for outstanding adoption and application of innovative technologies that successfully change and impact business results.

- **Bell Helicopter** executed an enterprise-wide information management initiative to streamline the design, manufacturing and support of their world-class products. They successfully transitioned a siloheavy ecosystem into an adaptive and dynamic machine.
- Caliber Collision Centers fundamentally changed their industry by embracing technology as a mission-critical business enabler. Implementation of cloud-based technology solutions drove rapid expansion, continuous cycle-time reductions and improved customer and client satisfaction.
- **Catapult Health** is transforming the delivery of preventive care. Their video-medicine platform integrates remote Nurse Practitioners with on-site nurses via video consultation. By serving areas with a shortage of healthcare providers, Catapult is improving outcomes for otherwise unserved patients.
- **Toyota Connected**'s launch builds on Toyota's global vision: a future of mobility that's clean, safe and convenient. This new organization is the data science hub for global operations, centralizing company initiatives across a broad range of emerging technology fields.

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## **CORPORATE CEO Brian Peccarelli**

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Brian leads the global Tax & Accounting business of Thomson Reuters, which provides technology and information solutions to corporations, accounting firms and governments. A CPA and a lawyer, Brian has worked for more than 30 years in the tax software and services industry. He joined Thomson Reuters in 1984 as a product accountant.

Under his leadership, the Tax & Accounting business has experienced dramatic revenue growth – from \$485 million in 2005 to nearly \$1.5 billion in 2016 – and executed 43 acquisitions worldwide.

He is the executive sponsor of Thomson Reuters' Innovation Initiative, drawing thought leaders and subject-matter experts across the enterprise to cultivate and execute innovative projects for customers. The initiative has launched several programs to encourage cross-enterprise collaboration, fund employee-sourced

innovation projects, and establish a culture of entrepreneurship and experimentation.

Brian has a recurring column on CFO.com and participates annually in the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. He's been recognized six times as one of the 100 Most Influential People in Tax and Accounting by Accounting Today. In 2016, the magazine described him as "attuned to the massive technological disruption embodied in the move to the cloud, making sure his team is in the forefront."





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#### **Technology Advocate**

**FINALISTS** 

The Tech Titans Technology Advocate award recognizes a DFW Metroplex individual or company whose core business is not a technology product for outstanding leadership in championing, assisting, advancing or accelerating the performance of the technology industry in North Texas.

- Jennifer Bartkowski, CEO of Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas, took on a very big vision: building a STEM Center of Excellence. The \$14M Center, a living lab for girls K-12, opens next year. The program is already serving girls through summer camps and weekend programs.
- Jerry Beers, founder of Five Pack Creative has steadily grown the company into a top mobile app development agency. Simultaneously he's been a tireless advocate for the Dallas technology community, educating and training the next generation of developers and sponsoring and mentoring Tech Wildcatters.
- Trey Bowles, Dallas Entrepreneur Center, drew on long experience as an entrepreneur to found the Dallas Entrepreneur Center. For the past five years, he's been a dedicated builder of the startup community, creating the programs, tools and resources essential to its sustainability and success.
- Valmiki Mukherjee, Cyber Future Foundation In the wake of growing global data breaches, Valmiki Mukherjee saw a need for collective action to address the challenges of cyberspace. In response, he created the Cyber Future Foundation, establishing the Metroplex as a global center of cyber thought leadership and education.





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## **FINALISTS**

#### **Corporate CTO**

The Tech Titans Corporate CTO award recognizes the Corporate Technology or Science Officer of a DFW Metroplex based technology or non-technology company for exceptional technical leadership that fostered the development of new technology resulting in significant value for the company.

- **Arun Bhikshesvaran,** Ericsson, leads Ericsson's cross-functional CTO/strategy community for North America. As vice president, CTO and strategic head, he's responsible for enhancing Ericsson's leadership in 5G, ensuring the company's portfolio is anchored in the future needs of its customers.
- **Michael Boren,** Beck Technology, leads development of advanced estimating software for the commercial construction industry, including 5-D Building Information Modeling. His innovative approach to product development combines in-house expertise with a crowd-sourcing development model, incorporating input from industry practitioners.
- **Matthew Glover,** Le-Vel, leads technology strategy, vision and manages day-to-day operations of this health and wellness company. To support Le-Vel's rapid growth and drive system-wide efficiencies, his team developed a 100% cloud-enabled software and infrastructure.
- **Pradeep Govindasamy,** Cigniti Technologies Ltd., is president and CTO and leads strategic technical direction of the company. The company's technical evangelist, he leverages a team of quality engineering specialists and thought leaders to solve test engineering problems for global businesses.

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We'd like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to fellow 2017 Tech Titans award finalists. We're honored to be among you. Here's to continuing the Telecom Corridor's tradition of inspiring great ideas! Fuj

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## **FINALISTS**

#### **Investment Catalyst**

The Tech Titans Investment Catalyst award recognizes an organization for completing a significant technology-related investment transaction that will impact and deliver significant long-term economic prosperity for the DFW Metroplex.

- **Bios Partners** Since December 2013, Bios Partners has committed \$40M to investments in healthcare therapeutics and devices. The firm's recent exit in its portfolio company, Encore Vision, provides capital for continued investing in pre-clinical, early stage bio-, pharma- and device companies in DFW.
- **Dallas Entrepreneur Center** facilitates, connects and provides key leadership to entrepreneurs, helping them find funding and investment to grow their businesses. As part of its regional expansion strategy, the nonprofit now has eight locations across Texas.
- **Teakwood Capital** Dallas private equity firm Teakwood Capital invests in middle-market, technology-focused companies. They have a history of moving companies to Texas. In 2016 they invested in a cloud-based payroll services company, relocating its UK headquarters to Dallas.
- **Deep Space Ventures** Dallas-based Deep Space Ventures is a seed stage venture capital fund primarily focused on local technology startups. They actively educate investors from other parts of the country about the Dallas startup ecosystem and connect them with local founders.



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- **Axxess** creates web and mobile solutions that improve the quality of home healthcare services and patient outcomes. Using these real-time communication and information tools, nurses, clinicians and therapists can focus on the patient, not the paperwork.
- **Bloodbuy**'s innovative web application connects U.S. hospitals and blood centers nationwide. It enables price transparency by publishing real-time cost averages and other key market indicators. The result? System-wide cost savings, increased access and reduced waste.
- **Bottle Rocket** pushes the limits of mobile app design and development, making content access reliable and easy. Their work with future-focused brands creates innovative, brand-driven experiences that engage users and enhance their connected lifestyles.
- **FPX** builds Configured Price Quote software solutions for enterprise companies. Large, complex businesses use it to optimize sales across multiple channels. Its advanced, predictive analytics increase revenues, profit margins and ROI on existing IT investments.

#### **Emerging Company CEO**

Recognizes the CEO of a technology company headquartered in the DFW Metroplex with 2016 operating revenues of at least \$2 million but no more than \$200 million.

- **Dave Copps,** Brainspace Corporation Brainspace creates machine learning software used worldwide. Under the leadership and commitment of CEO Dave Copps, the company that started with three guys in a garage is now a 70-person team, delivering breakthrough technology in the E-discovery/Investigations space.
- **Christopher Godfrey,** Bloodbuy Founder and CEO Christopher Godfrey leveraged cloud-based technology to address a critical healthcare issue: the fragmented blood market. Bloodbuy's web application delivers system-wide cost savings, reduces waste and increases access to this lifesaving resource.
- **Vanessa Ogle,** Enseo, Inc. After 9/11, Enseo founder and CEO Vanessa Ogle redirected her business focus from the airline industry to hospitality. By committing to continual innovation, Enseo is now a full-service integrator, providing technology services to the largest hotel groups in the world.
- **John Olajide**, Axxess Founder and CEO John Olajide identified a need for comprehensive technology to improve the management of home healthcare and patient outcomes. Six years later, Dallas-based Axxess is now the fastest-growing home health technology company.

## Special interest **FORUMS**

#### www.techtitans.org/forums

With the proliferation of technology and the divergent needs of the industry, Tech Titans offers forums built around specific technology or business verticals where members can meet and share ideas around areas that would most benefit their careers and the future of their companies.

Involvement comes in a variety of forms, from small to large groups; speakers, panels or roundtables; breakfast, lunch and happy hours. New groups continue to form around areas of interest and even location.

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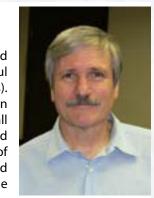
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## **JUDGES**

#### Dr. John Randall, Judge Co-chair President of Zyvex Labs and Adjunct Professor, UT Dallas

John Randall has more than 30 years of experience in micro- and nano-fabrication. He joined Zyvex in March of 2001 and was instrumental in developing and spinning out two successful nanotechnology companies, Zyvex Technologies and Zyvex Instruments (now part of DCG Systems). Before Zyvex, Randall worked for 15 years at Texas Instruments where he worked in high-resolution processing for integrated circuits, MEMS and quantum effect devices. Prior to working at TI, Randall worked at MIT's Lincoln Laboratory on ion beam and x-ray lithography. He has 97 articles published in refereed journals. He has a BS, MS and PhD all in electrical engineering from the University of Houston, where he was elected distinguished engineering alumni in 2010. Randall was also elected distinguished member of the Technical Staff while at Texas Instruments, is a senior member of the IEEE and is a Fellow of the Society of the AVS.



#### Tanis Cornell, Judge Co-chair Owner, Dallas Market, EWF International

Tanis Cornell leads and facilitates Peer Advisory Boards for female business owners and executives. Prior to launching her own business in August of 2013, she spent 30 years in senior management positions within the technology sector holding Vice President roles for telecom companies WilTel and Level 3 Communications. She was a partner and Senior Vice President for software company PhaseWare, and led one of the largest strategic service provider relationships for NetApp, a Fortune 500 data management company. She currently serves on the Business Advisory Council for Oklahoma Christian University and served several terms on the International Board of Sales & Marketing Executives International.



#### Brenda Boehm

**Telecommunications Industry Association, Chief Strategy Officer & Board Member**Brenda drives the overall strategic direction by providing technology and product leadership that is redefining the value of the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) Brenda has

that is redefining the value of the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA). Brenda has held executive and board level positions with highly-successful technology companies from entrepreneurial start-ups, such as Starent Networks, to Fortune 100 leaders Cisco, Nortel, Alcatel-Lucent and Nokia. Brenda currently serves as the Tri-Chair of the Innovation Committee at Tech Titans. Her deep set of experiences and skills have equipped her with the market vision that recognizes how industry disruption can be harnessed to propel innovation, develop global markets and institutionalize operational success. Brenda attended Stanford University's Graduate School of Business Executive Program, holds a MS from SMU's School of Engineering in Telecommunications and earned a BA in Computer Information Systems from the University of Louisiana.



## **JUDGES**

## Jennifer Carter The Shinobi Group, Managing Partner

Jennifer Carter is Managing Partner of The Shinobi Group, a Dallas-based technology consultancy focused at the intersections of product development, brand and technology. She's had nearly 15 years experience in brand management, marketing/communications, organizational strategy and change management, spanning many sectors – academia, financial services, non-profits, telecommunications and technology. Prior to her work in the corporate world, her postgraduate work specialized in the examination of "cybernetic subjectivity" – or the interplay between digital technology and how people shape and perform identity, particularly through seasons of uncertainty and change.



## Greg Fasullo enTouch, CEO

Greg is a nationally recognized serial entrepreneur, currently serving as CEO for enTouch, a Richardson-based Internet of Things software company. enTouch provides a software-enabled service for national chains that optimizes facility operations, reduces energy consumption and increases profitability. He holds 12 granted US patents, serves on the advisory board of REVTECH accelerator and was winner of the 2016 Tech Titans Emerging Company CEO.



#### Robert Fitzgerald Deloitte, Partner

Robert Fitzgerald is the Audit and Advisory practice leader for the Technology, Media & Telecommunications (TMT) industry group for Deloitte in North and Central Texas. In addition, Robert is responsible for overseeing service delivery to clients in the TMT industry group for Deloitte, where he has been a partner for more than 15 years.



## **JUDGES**

#### **John Lanius**

#### Fujitsu Network Communications Inc., SVP and General Counsel

John Lanius is SVP and General Counsel at Fujitsu Network Communications, Inc. He is responsible for setting the company's legal strategy and manages commercial transactions, deal development, dispute resolution, risk and compliance, and intellectual property protection. Before he joined Fujitsu in 2000, John worked for almost five years with the Dallas-based law firm of Munsch Hardt Kopf and Harr, PC, in both its litigation and corporate sections. He originally began practicing law in Dallas as an attorney in the general litigation division of Strasburger & Price, LLP, in 1994.



## Vance McCollough Crowe Horwath LLP, Audit Partner

Vance has more than 25 years of experience working with technology companies in various stages, from emerging startup operations to well-established, multinational organizations. He began his career on the West Coast and spent 10 years in Seattle during the formative years of internet technologies working with clients such as RealNetworks and Starwave. In 1999, Vance moved to Texas, first arriving in Austin and then moving to Dallas in 2002. His specialties include advising companies with issues related to operations, mergers and acquisitions, financial reporting, internal controls, revenue recognition, business combinations and share-based compensation. In addition, he has assisted companies through the process of initial public offerings and private equity buyouts. Vance holds a Bachelor of Science, Accounting from University of Southern California.



#### Kent Novak Texas Instruments, SVP and General Manager, DLP Products

Kent Novak directs the development and deployment of Texas Instruments' (Tl's) display technologies and platforms. With Kent's global expertise and experience with diverse company sizes, DLP® Products continues the expansion of its customer breadth and expanded product portfolio. Kent has a long history with Tl. Since joining the company in 2003, he has held leadership roles in a broad spectrum of groups including the Wireless Infrastructure Business Unit, the High Speed Communications Group, and, most recently, he served as vice president and general manager of the Medical/HiRel organization. Earlier he spent 15 years in the telecom industry working for leaders such as Bell Labs, AT&T-Network Systems, DSC Communications, Alcatel and Corvis. He is also past chairman of the Tech Titans board.



## **JUDGES**

#### **Lin O'Neill, Futures Consulting**

Lin O'Neill works as a consultant in businesses of all sizes and revenue levels, with success across the board. She is currently DFW instructor for the SBA's Emerging Leaders program, lead faculty for the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program and DFW instructor for the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber's New Scale Up program for entrepreneurs. In Texas, she has founded Entrepreneurs Dallas and Entrepreneurs Fort Worth. Lin has a BS in sociology and an MBA. For more than two years she conducted a weekly talk show regarding career and career transition challenges for a Los Angeles FM radio station. Lin is an accomplished consultant with expertise in the development and implementation of strategic plans for businesses of all sizes and revenue levels. Working with employees, she demonstrates the incorporation of strategic plans into the everyday decisions of their organization.



#### Dustin Osgood PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Partner

Dustin is a partner at PwC focused on helping clients address risk, governance and compliance through the use of technology and analytics. He has worked with some of the largest and most innovative technology companies in the world while living in New York, London and Tokyo.



#### Paola Saibene TXYSAI, CEO

Paola Saibene is the CEO of TXYSAI, a technology consulting company. She has 22 years of IT-practitioner experience, having held multiple C-level roles in multi-billion dollar organizations. Paola blends her technology experience with her psychology and literature post-graduate degrees, bringing an ecosystem approach to the evolving digital era.



## **JUDGES**

## Jonathan Shapiro The University of Texas at Dallas, Director, Venture Department

Jonathan Shapiro leads the University's strategy for technology innovations, bridging engineering, science and business to create commercially feasible technologies, accelerating the number of new start-ups, intellectual property licenses and strategic partnerships. He founded the nonprofit research center The Texas Institute in 2009, which specializes in advanced energy technology and policy research. Prior to establishing The Texas Institute, Mr. Shapiro founded Alliance Systems, a communications and computing company. Under his leadership, the company grew from a self-funded startup to over \$100 million in sales. He has also served in management positions at IBM, ROLM Telecommunication, Intervoice and Octel Communications.



#### David Sheahan ZRG Partners, Managing Director

Sheahan is an expert in helping companies leverage their business and operational strategies to build integrated global talent management strategies. David has led prominent talent management projects for many notable companies, C-suite executives and boards of directors. He has focused on leadership succession, especially executive assessment and development, and has deep client relationships through this work. Most recently, he worked for nine years at Korn Ferry as a leader in their talent consulting business based in their Dallas and Houston offices. He also worked for ExcellerateHRO, the human resources outsourcing business of EDS and Towers Perrin. Sheahan worked in information technology at CoreLogic including roles in marketing, customer relationship management (CRM) and leading large-scale technology deployments for the company and its customers.



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## **JUDGES**

#### Scott Ticer

#### Lone Star Angels, Princeton Avenue Partners, Principal

Scott Ticer is a serial entrepreneur who has played key roles in several successful startups and innovation initiatives in digital media, mobile communications and cloud services. He co-founded an angel capital group called Lone Star Angels. Ticer actively advises seed stage startups, provides consulting services for angel, institutional and corporate investors in startups and early stage growth companies, and provides management consulting in innovation, marketing, product and business development. He has served in key roles at Dow Jones, Computer Sciences, BellSouth, McGraw Hill, and as an entrepreneur at successful startups VentureWire, Covad and airBand Communications. Ticer graduated from University of Texas at Austin in Plan II, where he focused on chemistry and pharmacological research. Ticer was a Tech Titan finalist in 2011.



#### Debra Wawro Weidanz Resonant Sensors, Inc., CEO & Chief Scientist

Debra is the co-founder and an inventor of the guided-mode resonance sensor technology being commercialized by Resonant Sensors Incorporated (RSI). RSI sells novel bioassay screening tools based on its proprietary label-free biosensor approach for researchers in the immuno-therapeutics and pharmaceutical industries. Debra is currently leading the company as CEO and chief scientist. Prior to RSI she worked in operations (global commodity management) as well as research and development engineering at Tellabs and Marconi Networks. She has also led research related to analyzing and developing drug delivery methods for chemotherapeutic agents in the Department of Otolaryngology at the University of Texas Southwest Medical Center at Dallas. She holds an MS and BS in electrical engineering from the University of Texas at Arlington and has several pending and issued patents.



#### Mary Ellen Weber Stellar Strategies, LLC

Mary Ellen Weber is a consultant in strategies for innovation, research program oversight, communications and high-risk operations through her company, Stellar Strategies, LLC. She currently serves on the NASA Advisory Council Committee on Technology, Innovation and Engineering, and on the boards of Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital, Uplift Education and Stellar Generation, Inc. She was a NASA Astronaut for ten years and is a veteran of two Space Shuttle missions, including one to the International Space Station. She was also a Vice President at UT Southwestern Medical Center for nine years. She received her Ph.D. in chemistry from UC Berkeley, an MBA from SMU and a BS in chemical engineering from Purdue.



## **EMCEE**

Joel Zeff creates energy. His spontaneous humor and vital messages have thrilled audiences for years. As a national workplace expert, speaker, author and humorist, Joel captivates audiences with a unique blend of hilarious improvisational comedy and essential ideas on work and life. He has shared his experience and insight on creativity, communication, work/life balance, leadership, teamwork, passion and fun with more than 1,200 companies and organizations. His book,

www.maketherightchoicethebook.com is consistently listed as one of the top work/life balance books on Amazon. He has appeared on CNBC's The Big Idea with Donny Deutsch, the Fox Network's Fox and Friends Weekend and been featured in the Dallas Morning News, Houston Chronicle, The Kansas City Star and many other media outlets. For more information, visit his web site at www.joelzeff.com



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2016 - Chris MacFarland, Masergy Communications

2015 – Beatriz Manetta, Argent Associates

2013 – Lance Crosby, SoftLayer, an IBM Company

2012 – Angel Ruiz, Ericsson North America

2011 – Roger D. Linquist, MetroPCS

2010 – Charles Vogt, GENBAND

2009 – Bruce Ballangee, Pariveda Solutions, Inc.

2008 - Patrick Brandt, Skywire Software

2007 – Rashid Skaf, AMX

2006 - Michelle Peluso, Travelocity

2005 – Anthony J. Affuso, UGS

2004 - Bob Carroll, AMX Corporation

2003 – Bill Conner, Entrust Corporate

2002 – Jim Janicki, MetaSolv., Inc.

2001 – Scott Grout, Chorum Technologies

EMERGING COMPANY CEO AWARD: Recognizes

CEO leadership for an emerging company within the technology and communications industry.

2016 - Greg Fasullo, EnTouch

2015 – Anuj Jain, Orchestra Technologies

2014 - Pardeep Kohli, Mavenir

2013 – Chris Drake, FireHost

2012 - Steven W. White, ImageVision

2011 – Jack Thompson, Tango Management

2010 – Shama Kabani, The Marketing Zen Group

2009 – Nina Vaca, Pinnacle Technical Resources

2008 – Greg Smith, Accudata Technologies

2007 – Douglas Bartek, Tango Networks

2006 – Barry D. Nalls, Masergy

2005 – George Grayson, istation

2004 – Patrick Brandt, Skywire Software 2003 – Sally Ann Zoll, LearnStar, Inc.

2002 – Cynthia Comparin, Animato Technologies



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**CORPORATE INNOVATION AWARD: Recognizes** outstanding innovation and unique accomplishments through recent or potential breakthrough technology or approach within the technology industry. Must have operating revenues >\$200 million.

2016 - Nokia

2015 - Qorvo

2014 – Texas Instruments

2013 - Nokia Siemens Networks

2012 – AT&T Foundry

2011 - Alcatel-Lucent

2010 – D4D Technologies LLC

2009 – Electronic Transaction Consultants

2008 – Samsung Telecommunications America

2007 – Nortel, 4GBusiness & Ecosystem Development

2006 – Retractable Technologies, Inc.

2005 – Advanced Neuromodulation Systems, Inc. (ANS)

2004 - SYSTIMAX Solutions

2003 – Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway

**EMERGING COMPANY INNOVATION AWARD:** Recognizes outstanding innovation and unique accomplishments

through potential breakthrough technology, processes or services within the technology industry. Must have operating revenues between \$2 million and \$200 million.

2016 - Brainspace Corp.

2015 - Ziosk

2014 – Triune Systems

2013 - OptiSense Network, LLC

2012 – 4G Biometrics

2011 – Encore Vision, Inc

2010 – MicroTransponder, Inc.

2009 – Sipera Systems

2008 - RipCode, Inc.

2007 - Oryon Technologies

2006 - Masergy

2005 – Zyvex Corporation



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2016 - Dr. Sandy Dasgupta, UT Arlington

2015 – Ray Baughman, UT Dallas-NanoTech Institute

2014 – Ampcare, LLC

2013 – Larry Hornbeck, Texas Instruments

2012 – Dr. Mario Romero-Ortega, UT Arlington

2011 – J.C. Chiao, UT Arlington

2010 - Yves Chabal, Professor, UT Dallas, Erik Jonsson

School of Engineering & Computer Science

2009 - Dr. Bruce Li, 21st Century Silicon, Inc.

2008 - Dr. Bill Krenik, Jeff Bellay and the LoCosto

Development Team, Texas Instruments 2007 - David Hanson, Hanson Robotics **CORPORATE CTO AWARD:** Recognizes a significant investment transaction that impacts and delivers significant long-term economic prosperity and sustainable economic results for the Metroplex and improves the technology innovation investment climate of the region.

2016 - Andrew Olowu, Axxess

2015 - Mamie Jones, Intuit

2014 – Monica Martino, Accudata Technologies

2013 - Shailin Sehgal, GENBAND

2012 – John P. Volpi, Lone Star Aerospace

**CORPORATE CIO AWARD:** Recognizes the Chief Information Officer for exceptional technical leadership that fosters the deployment of IT resulting in significant value for the company.

2016 - Maya Leibman, American Airlines

2015 - Pam Parisian, AT&T



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**TECHNOLOGY ADOPTER AWARD:** Recognizes a company whose core business is not technology for outstanding adoption and application of innovative technologies to successfully change and impact its business results.

2016 - Children's Health System of Texas

2015 – Artizone

2014 - BenefitMall

2013 – Baylor Health Care System

2012 - Methodist Richardson Medical Center

2011 – BNSF Railway

2010 – The Heart Hospital Baylor Plano

2009 – North Texas Tollway Authority

2008 – American Airlines

2007 – Dallas Ft. Worth International Airport

2006 – Methodist Health Systems

**TECHNOLOGY ADVOCATE AWARD:** Recognizes a technology service provider for outstanding leadership in the community by assisting, enabling or accelerating

the performance of its technology clients. Providers eligible for this award are law, accounting, capital venture and recruitment firms; educational institutions; and related services companies that support technology and engineering companies or organizations.

2016 - DFW-ATW Alliance of Technology and Women

2015 – Tad McIntosh, HumCap

2014 - Angie Chen Button, Texas House of

Representatives

2013 – Dr. David E. Daniel, UT Dallas

2012 - Robert Robb, Office of Tech Commercialization.

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2011 - TECH Fort Worth

2010 – North Texas Regional Center for Innovation and Commercialization

2009 – Dan Branch, Texas House of Representatives

2008 - The Institute for Innovation and

Entrepreneurship at UT Dallas

2007 – Silicon Valley Bank







## **ALUMNI**

**COMMUNITY HERO AWARD:** Recognizes an individual within the technology industry for outstanding achievements in community involvement.

2016 - Heidi Means, Texas Instruments

2015 - Gil Lee, Intellichoice Inc./UT Dallas

2014 - Gayle Anderson, DigiWorks

2013 - Valerie Freeman, BravoTECH

2012 - Michael Doherty, Hewlett Packard

2011 - Wanda Gass, TI Fellow, Texas Instruments

2010 – Gurvendra Suri, Optimal Solutions Integration

2009 – Corey Kirkendoll, Cisco Systems

2008 – Shaunna Black, VP WW Facilities, Texas

Instruments & Kevin Lofgren, CEO, Farstar

2007 - Tegwin Pulley, Texas Instruments, Inc.

2006 - Debbie Mrazek, The Sales Company

2005 - Franklyn Jenifer, Ph.D., University of Texas Dallas

2004 - George Ellis, SoftBrands, Inc.

FAST TECH AWARD: Fast Tech award is for the company that has experienced the largest amount of revenue arowth.

2016 - Newline Interactive

2015 - 4WEB Medical

2014 - Azpen Innovation, Inc.

2013 - Prism Microwave, Inc.

2012 - OneSource Virtual

2011 – Mavenir Systems

2010 - OraMetrix, Inc.

Ellen Barker, finalist

**Corporate CIO award** 

2009 - One Technologies LP

2008 - SoftLayer Technologies

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2015 – Dr. David E. Daniel, University of Texas at Dallas

2014 - Jim Donald, DSC

2013 - Dr. Rolf Haberecht, VLSIP Technologies, Inc.

2012 - Krish Prabhu, CTO, AT&T

2011 – Jon Bayless, Sevin Rosen Funds

2010 – Bill Sproull, President & CEO, Tech Titans

**INVESTMENT CATALYST AWARD:** Recognizes a significant investment transaction that impacts and delivers significant long-term economic prosperity and sustainable economic results for the Metroplex and improves the technology innovation investment climate of the region.

2016 - Hangar Ventures

2015 - Texas Women Ventures

2014 - Health Wildcatters

2013 – Frontier Capital

2012 - Tech Wildcatters

#### **TECH TITAN OF THE FUTURE - UNIVERSITY LEVEL:**

Recognizes educational institutions that encourage and support students to choose engineering and technology-related disciplines as a preferred career path. The award finalists display creative, innovative approaches that reach out to students and other learning-minded professionals and related institutions.

2016 - University of Texas at Arlington ASSURE

2015 - Yan Wan & Shengli Fu, University of North Texas

2014 – Engineering & Technology Department, Collin College

2013 – UTDesign, Erik Jonsson School of Engineering and Computer Science, UT Dallas

2012 – Net-Centric, IUCRC University of North Texas

2011 – George A. Jeffrey, NanoExplorers Program, The University of Texas at Dallas, Alan G. MacDiarmid

NanoTech Institute

2010 – UNT Summer Robocamp for Girls

2009 - UTeach Dallas, UT Dallas

2008 – Richland Collegiate High School of Mathematics, Science and Engineering, Richland College, DCCCD

2007 – ATEC Arts & Technology – UT Dallas

2006 – Academic Bridge Program – UT Dallas

2005 – Richland College, ASA Eng. Degree

#### TECH TITAN OF THE FUTURE - HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL:

Recognizes a high school math or science teacher for the development and implementation of an innovative teaching technique or program that inspires student interest in math and/or science.

2016 - Kayla Olivas, Plano ISD

2015 – Michael Yakubovsky, Coppell High School

2014 – Daniel Brown, Irma Lerma Rangel Young Women's Leadership School, Dallas ISD

2013 - Chad Gilliland, Richardson High School

2012 - Janine Amy, WT White, Dallas ISD

2011 – Kim Wolff, Plano Senior High School, Plano ISD

2010 – Alisa Salvans, Richardson High School

2009 – Dr. George J. Hademenos, Richardson High School

2008 – Rebecca McGowan Jensen, Ph.D., School for the Talented and Gifted, Dallas ISD

2007 – Barbara Flickinger, J.J. Pearce High School,

Richardson ISD

2006 – David Carroll, Plano West Senior High School

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