

PNW AIAA Awards

The PNW AIAA awards program is intended to honor truly outstanding engineers and educators possessing strong histories of achievement.

Section members are invited to nominate worthy candidates by presenting their qualifications completely, accurately without exaggeration, and attaching a short resume.

A panel of several judges on the Nomination Committee will evaluate the nominations to identify the best nominee for each award. The judges are experienced colleagues charged with identifying the best candidate for each award. If no candidate is entered sufficiently worthy of the honor no award will be made.

Award Criteria:

STEM Advocate of the Year Award

- Is a current member of AIAA and resides in PNW-AIAA region (AK, WA, OR, ID, USA or Yukon, British Columbia, Canada)
- Is an educator or non-educator with significant demonstrated effort towards introducing aerospace engineering topics (STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics)
- Engineering degree not required for K-12 educator nominees

Industry Engineer of the Year Award

- Is a current member of AIAA and resides in PNW-AIAA region (AK, WA, OR, ID, USA or Yukon, British Columbia, Canada)
- Has a degree in Engineering or from a related Science Department
- Has contributed significantly to the application of engineering in industry, and/or has significantly advanced the state of the engineering art
- Has shown leadership in advancing or improving the industrial process, or aerospace technology
- Has actively participated in progressing and introducing new technologies
- Has demonstrated use of engineering to minimize environmental impacts
- Includes university/community-college educators as well as mentors in Industry
- If a university/community-college educator, has actively participated in improving the level and scope of engineering education



Young Engineer of the Year Award

- Is a current member of AIAA and resides in PNW-AIAA region (AK, WA, OR, ID, USA or Yukon, British Columbia, Canada)
- The nominee must be under 35 years of age with a baccalaureate degree in Engineering as of January 1 of the year in which the nomination is being made
- The nominee should show professional society participation such as serving as a committee member or officer, or providing support at society meetings or conferences
- The nominee should show progress in professional experience and attainments, such as:
 - career advancement entailing increasing levels of responsibility,
 - recognition or citations for outstanding professional achievements,
 - continuing education in an engineering or related professional skill set, or
 - other professional attainments.

Award Nomination Scoring:

STEM Advocate-of-the-Year and Industry Engineer-of-the-Year

General biography and summary of qualifications	35%
Education/Engineering Credentials	35%
Professional/Educational achievements and awards	10%
Community, Civic and Charitable involvement	20%

Young Engineer-of-the-Year

Professional background including Society Affiliations	20%
Education/Engineering Credentials	20%
Professional/Educational achievements and awards	20%
Community, Civic and Charitable involvement	40%

