26th Annual Islander Awards Celebration

HONORING FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS AS THEY ARE RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE MILESTONES AND SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY

MAY 6, 2022

A CELEBRATION OF EXCELLENCE
ISLANDER AWARDS CEREMONY

WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS
Dr. Kelly M. Miller
President & CEO

SERVICE AWARDS
Margaret Dechant
Associate Vice President for School & Community Relations

STAFF EXCELLENCE AWARDS
Sharmeen Ahmed
Director, Tech Transfer and Commercialization

FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARDS
Dr. Clarenda Phillips
Provost & Vice President for Academic Affairs

INTERDIVISIONAL COLLABORATION AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE
Jaclyn Mahlmann
Vice President for Finance & Administration

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS
Jaclyn Mahlmann
Vice President for Finance & Administration

1:00 p.m........................President’s Welcome
1:10 p.m........................Presentation of Awards
2:30 p.m........................Closing Remarks
SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS  5 YEARS

Adrian Rodriguez
Amanda Hartman
Amanda Merchant
Ana Salazar
Andrew Fields
Ashley Conner
Belinda Damerow
Beth Rauhaus
Cadence Olivarez
Carol Pike
Celil Ekici
Craig Shaw
Crystal Trevino
Daniel Newmire
David Scott
David Squires
Derek McClure
Devon Wilde
Diana Del Angel
Dino Mulic
Eliza Lara
Elizabeth Reyes
Ellen Denham
Emily McCauley
Gayle Stammer
Haekyoung Choi
Jennifer Gerlach
Jennifer Randolph
Jose Baca Garcia
Joseph Hill
Julian Lopez
Kara Coffey
Kathy Smith
Kevin Kearns
Kristeen Baum
Lauren Denver Potter
Lawrence Smith
Leticia Bajuyo
Lisa Velasquez
Lola McClendon
Mamta Yadav
Matthew Streich
Melanie Morales
Mellisa Smith
Meredith Melville
Michael La Torre
Michele Staples
Miguel Perez
Mikell Smith
Minhua Huang
Nicolas Holubowitch
Olga Bazhanova
Oliver Cruz-Milan
Ricky Jones
Robert Duke
Saman Desilva
Sophia Vining
Stefani Schomaker
Stewart Burleigh
Sunil Mathur
Susan La Torre
Tiffany Currie
Timothy Johnson
Veysel Avsar
Yuliana Zaikman

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS  FALL 2021

Jessica Romero
Bachelor of Applied Arts-Science

Joshua Boyd
Master of Science

Katheryn Paynter
Doctor of Education

Matthew Tedrow
Master of Business Admin

Matthew Wesson
Master of Business Admin

Mohammad Pashaei
Doctor of Philosophy

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS  SPRING 2022

Cari Loeffler
Master of Arts

Chelsea Lanzener
Master of Arts

Daniel Shelton
Master of Public Administration

James Crisp
Bachelor of Science

James Jones
Master of Public Administration

Kyle Anderson
Master of Public Administration

Leticia Bazan
Master of Science

Sophia Vining
Master of Public Administration

Stephanie Majors
Doctor of Philosophy

Zachary Allen
Bachelor of Business Admin

Rachael Klose
Master of Science

Regina Gonzales
Master of Business Admin

Thomas Cantu
Bachelor of Science

Victoria Perez
Master of Business Admin
INTERDIVISIONAL COLLABORATION
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Winner to be Announced

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS  **SPRING 2021**
Alexander Zavala  
BS in Health Sciences

Barret Flaminio  
Bachelor of Arts

Felicia Munoz  
BS in Health Sciences

Ginnesica Lawler  
Master of Science

Grace Martin  
Bachelor of Business Administration

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS  **SUMMER 2021**
Diana Del Angel  
Doctor of Philosophy

Huyen Bui  
Master of Science

PARADE OF ACHIEVERS  **FALL 2021**
Angelia Alaniz  
Bachelor of Business Administration

Daniela Bergmann  
Master of Science

Hannah Bueltel  
Bachelor of Science

SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS  **10 YEARS**
Alexandra Janney  
Alison Marks  
Amy Perry  
Anna De La Garza  
Betty Mounts  
Brandy Gutierrez  
Brenda Buckner  
Chriss Shope  
Christopher Bird  
Darren Brunson  
David Bridges  
David Hill  
Denver Ang  
Diana Gaona  
Dominic Burch  
Feiqin Xie  
Felimon Gayanilo  
George Herrera  
Heather DeGrande  
Jack Esparza  
Jennifer Wetz  
Johanna Evans  
Karen Lanasa  
Kellie Smith  
Kenneth Hayes  
Lorena Barrera  
Lynn Hemmer  
Mayra Orozco  
Melinda Martinez  
Melissa Hernandez  
Meng Zhao  
Michael Starek  
Michael Van Den Eijnden  
Miguel Munoz  
Mohan Rao  
Noelia Rios-Belmontes  
Risha Dulip  
Roxanne White  
Royce Chadwick  
Steven King  
Thomas Lupher  
Toni Nerren  
Trent Gannon  
Valerie Serna  
Xinping Hu

SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS  **15 YEARS**
Alissa Mejia  
Amanda Horne  
Anabel Garcia  
Anita Reed  
Danette Hibner  
Daryl Roberts  
David Burk  
Dugan Um  
Guang Zeng  
James Dalton  
James Gibeaut  
Jennifer Pollack  
Johanna Dubose  
Julee Murphy
**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 15 YEARS continued**
- Karen McCaleb
- Karen Pressley
- Niall Durham
- Paul Montagna
- Riccardo Mozzachiodi
- Scott Malone

**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 20 YEARS**
- Beatrice Blomquist
- Carmen Hernandez
- Corinne Valadez
- David Yoskowitz
- Linda Buckley
- Joanell Saldanas
- Kent Byus
- Linda Buckly
- Linda Sipes
- Donald Berchik
- Linda Tucker
- Raquel Cutshall
- Robert Cutshall

**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 25 YEARS**
- Frank Lucido
- Ben Soto
- Cristina Ortiz
- Deidre Williams
- Linda Rodriguez
- Maria Martinez
- Martha Simcik
- Penny Long

**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 30 YEARS**
- Melissa Perkins
- Roy Coons
- Steven Seidel
- Velma Garza

**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 35 YEARS**
- Carey Rote
- Margaret Dechant
- Dr. Sandrine Sanos, College of Liberal Arts - Winner
- Dr. Mikaela Boham, College of Education & Human Development - Runner-up

**SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS 40 YEARS**
- Philip Rhoades
- Dr. Katherine Taken Smith, College of Business - Winner
- Dr. Andrew Johnson, College of Business - Runner-up

**STAFF EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

**Islander Leadership**
- **Lieutenant George Herrera**, University Police - Winner
- Susan La Torre, Student Activities
- Candace Martinez, College of Nursing & Health Sciences
- Morgan "Taylor" Myers, Performing Arts Center
- Elizabeth Palacios, Academic Advising

**Islander Inclusion**
- **Elvia Aguilar**, Alumni Relations - Winner
- Danette Hibner, Office of Admissions
- James "Wes" Jones, College of Liberal Arts
- Jamiu "Abbey" Opolo, Harte Research Institute

**Islander Impact**
- **Leisha Martin**, College of Science & Engineering - Winner
- Diana Avila, College of Science & Engineering
- Nicole Edgar, Financial Aid
- Callie Walker, External Relations

**FACULTY EXCELLENCE AWARDS**

**Excellence in Teaching**
- **Dr. Sandrine Sanos**, College of Liberal Arts - Winner
- Dr. Mikaela Boham, College of Education & Human Development - Runner-up

**Excellence in Teaching Innovation**
- **Ms. Heather DeGrande**, College of Nursing & Health Sciences - Winner
- Dr. Christopher Andrews - Runner-up

**Excellence in Research & Scholarly Activity**
- **Dr. Katherine Taken Smith**, College of Business - Winner
- Dr. Andrew Johnson, College of Business - Runner-up
THANK YOU

TO ALL OF OUR AWARD RECIPIENTS AND NOMINEES

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi is very fortunate that you have provided such dedicated and effective service to the University. Each of you have contributed to the University’s efforts to thrive as the leading center of higher education in the Gulf of Mexico region. Thank you for sharing the University vision to invigorate and strengthen the region and state through its educational programs, research initiatives and outreach efforts.