

2021 Tech Titan Gala Categories

COMMUNITY HERO

The Tech Titans Community Hero award recognizes an individual employed by a North Texas technology company for outstanding achievements in community service to the North Texas area.

CORPORATE CEO AWARD

The Tech Titans Corporate CEO award recognizes the CEO or Division President of a technology company having a corporate headquarters or a division office in North Texas. The company has 2020 operating revenue of more than \$200 million.

CORPORATE CIO AWARD

The Tech Titans Corporate CIO award recognizes the Chief Information Officer of a North Texas 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. The company has 2020 operating revenue of more than \$200 million.

CORPORATE CTO AWARD

The Tech Titans Corporate CTO award recognizes the Corporate Technology or Science Officer of a North Texas based technology or non-technology company for exceptional technical leadership that fostered the development of new technology resulting in significant value for the company. The company has 2020 operating revenue of more than \$200 million.

CORPORATE INNOVATION AWARD

The Tech Titans Corporate Innovation award recognizes a company for outstanding innovation and unique accomplishments through recent or potential breakthrough technology or approach within the technology industry in North Texas for which the company owns the intellectual property or proprietary property/method OR innovated by adopting another company's intellectual property. The company must have a corporate headquarters or a division office in North Texas with 2020 operating revenues of more than \$200 million.

EMERGING COMPANY CEO AWARD

The Tech Titans Emerging Company CEO award recognizes the CEO of a technology company headquartered in North Texas with 2020 operating revenues of at least \$2 million but no more than \$200 million.

NEW! EMERGING COMPANY CIO/CTO AWARD

The Tech Titans Emerging Company CIO/CTO award recognizes the Chief Information Officer or Corporate Technology, or Science Officer of a North Texas based technology or non-technology company for exceptional technical leadership that fostered the development or deployment of new technology resulting in significant value for the company. The company must have 2020 operating revenues of at least \$2 million but no more than \$200 million.

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FAST TECH

Fast Tech, a Tech Titans Award, recognizes the fastest growing technology, telecommunications and/or life sciences company in North Texas. Fast Tech Award finalists are determined based on percentage fiscal year revenue growth from 2018-2020.

By submitting the nomination form, the company agrees to publicly disclose its percentage revenue growth. The percentage revenue growth is computed as $[(FY'2020 \text{ revenue} - FY'2018 \text{ revenue}) / FY'2018 \text{ revenue}] \times 100\%$. Tech Titans will not disclose actual current and base year revenue amounts.

HALL OF FAME AWARD

The Tech Titans Hall of Fame award honors a North Texas technology visionary for outstanding leadership in assisting, advancing and accelerating the performance of the technology industry and/or adoption of technology in North Texas; spanning more than one decade and reaching far beyond the individual's company/organization. Only individuals are eligible for induction into the Hall of Fame including corporate leaders and technologists, non-profit individuals, venture capitalists, educators, entrepreneurs, inventors and individual contributors. The award may be given posthumously. The frequency and selection of inductees is at the discretion of the Hall of Fame Selection Committee.

NEW! START UP COMPANY CEO AWARD

The Tech Titans Start Up Company CEO award recognizes the CEO of a technology company headquartered in North Texas with 2020 operating revenues of no more than \$2 million.

TECHNOLOGY ADVOCATE AWARD

The Tech Titans Technology Advocate award recognizes a North Texas 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.

TECHNOLOGY INVENTORS AWARD

The Tech Titans Technology Inventors award recognizes the pioneering accomplishments of a person, team or group responsible for the creation of technical breakthrough ideas, processes or products which have advanced the discipline. The nominee is with a North Texas company or institution.

2021 Tech Titans of the Future Award Categories

UNIVERSITY LEVEL AWARD

The Tech Titans of the Future University Level award recognizes an accredited educational institution in the North Texas area that encourages and supports students to choose engineering and technology related disciplines as a preferred career path. This award category spotlights North Texas higher educational institutions' technology related curricula and incentives to perpetuate tech-related knowledge transfer. The award finalists display creative, innovative approaches that reach out to students and other learning-minded professionals and related institutions. The nomination requires testimonials from two current or former students, educators or other individuals who have excelled or benefited from this program.

HIGH SCHOOL MATH/SCIENCE TEACHER AWARD

The Tech Titans of the Future High School Level Award recognizes a North Texas 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. The teaching technique or program must demonstrate opportunity for students to gain applied knowledge. Only one teacher per school may be nominated. A lesson plan may be included in the nomination. The nomination requires at least one testimonial from a current or former student.