



ATCA Announces 2017 Award Recipients

The Air Traffic Control Association (ATCA) is pleased to announce its 2017 Award Winners. The goal of ATCA's awards program is to give special recognition to those persons and/or organizations engaged in the development, operation, or maintenance of the worldwide air traffic control system for outstanding achievement.

The following recipients will be honored at the 2017 Awards Luncheon during the ATCA Annual on Tuesday, October 17, at the Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland.

ATCA Annual Safety Award

Alvin Sipe, The Boeing Company

Andy Pitas Aircraft Safety Award

Eric Knight and Ross Leshinsky, FAA

Jeffrey Rawson, FAA

Ian Selin and Mark Smith, NAV CANADA

YFC, NAV CANADA

ZFW, FAA

ATCA Annual Team Award for Outstanding Achievement Winner

SCT Metroplex Design and Implementation Team, FAA

3-58th Airfield Operations Battalion, US Army

ATCA Annual Industry Award

Frequentis

ATCA Annual Outstanding Achievement for Small & Disadvantaged Business

DTIS

ATCA Annual Outstanding Achievement for Small Business

Infina, Ltd.

ATCA Outstanding ATC Manager of the Year Award

Harry Rivera, CI² Aviation
CW2 Jason Christie, US Army

ATCA Military ATC Technician of the Year Award

Sgt Richard Robinson, US Marine Corps
ET1 Marcus Kruse, US Navy
SSG Joseph Bourassa, US Army

ATCA Military Air Traffic Controller of the Year Award

SrA Richard Smith, US Air Force
Sgt Andres Eraszabala, US Marine Corps
AC1 Nikita Zellner, US Navy
SGT Robert Charity, US Army

ATCA Airway Transportation Systems Specialist of the Year Award

RAMP Radar Team, NAV CANADA

ATCA Annual Aviation Systems Specialist Safety Award

Nico Nguyen, FAA

ATCA Life Cycle Management Award

CHIP Infrastructure Team, NAV CANADA

David J. Hurley Memorial Award for Aviation Traffic Management

Greg Juro, FAA

The Chairman's Citation of Merit Award

NASA Aeronautics Leadership Team, NASA
Dr. John Cavolowsky, NASA
Robert Graham, EUROCONTROL
Massimo Garbini, SESAR Deployment Manager

ATCA Ambassador Award

Tom Styc

The President's Citation of Merit Award

Dr. Ned Reese, WCG
Dr. Parimal Kopardekar, NASA
Margaret Jenny, RTCA

Don Thoma, Aireon
Ben Marcus, AirMap
Jim Eck, FAA

The Glen A. Gilbert Memorial Award

Richard Anderson, Delta Air Lines, Inc. / Northwest Airlines, Inc.*

**To be honored at the Glen A. Gilbert Memorial Awards Banquet Oct. 17*
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Join ATCA on Tuesday, October 17, 2017, during the 62nd ATCA Annual Conference & Exposition's Awards Luncheon to recognize the above award winners. Lunch is included with full conference registration; individual tickets are also available. To purchase tickets, register online at www.atca.org/62annual as an Exhibit Hall visitor and then follow the prompts to add an Awards Luncheon ticket. For more information on award categories and descriptions, please visit www.atca.org/atca-awards-program.

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About ATCA

The Air Traffic Control Association (www.atca.org) is dedicated to the progress and safety of air traffic control and works to advance the technology and professionalism of the industry. Founded in 1956 by a group of air traffic controllers, ATCA serves more than 3,5000 members from throughout the world—individual air traffic controllers as well as aviation associations, educational institutions, the government and military, and companies managing and providing equipment and services in the aviation community.