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## **NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR 2021 CARNEGIE SCIENCE AWARDS**

### ***NEW AWARD CATEGORIES CELEBRATE SCIENTISTS, EDUCATORS, BUSINESS LEADERS, AND INNOVATORS MAKING A DIFFERENCE***

**PITTSBURGH, March 31, 2021**– Carnegie Science Center is now accepting nominations for the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Carnegie Science Awards, an annual awards program honoring our region’s most inspiring scientists, technologists, educators, business leaders, and innovators who are making a difference in western Pennsylvania and beyond. Nominations will be accepted through Mon., May 17, 2021, at [CarnegieScienceCenter.org/Awards](https://CarnegieScienceCenter.org/Awards).

This year, the Science Center has introduced several new award categories that will recognize leaders in education, sustainability, and equity.

“With new awards like Best Interdisciplinary Approach to STEM Education, Champion for Sustainability, Champion for STEM Equity, and others, we aim to recognize the inspiring innovators who are making a significant impact in our region’s science, education, and business sectors,” said Jason Brown, Henry Buhl, Jr., Director of Carnegie Science Center.

The Science Center is seeking innovators in the following eight categories:

- Most Inspiring Educator
- Best Interdisciplinary Approach to STEM Education
- Exemplary Educational/Corporate Collaboration
- Champion for Sustainability
- Champion for STEM Equity
- Entrepreneur
- Innovation

- Corporate Leadership

Carnegie Science Award winners are selected by a committee of peers—both past awardees and industry leaders—who rigorously review hundreds of nominations and select the most deserving individuals and organizations. Since 1997, Carnegie Science Awards have recognized the accomplishments of more than 600 innovators whose contributions in the fields of science, technology, and education have enhanced our region's industrial, academic, and environmental vitality.

Awardees will be honored at the Carnegie Science Awards: The Best of 25 Years celebration in November 2021 at Carnegie Science Center. As the Science Center's signature celebration of innovation and annual fundraiser, the event raises funds to support education programs that nurture the next generation of science and technology leaders.

Eaton is the presenting sponsor for the Carnegie Science Awards. Additional award sponsors include ALCOSAN; Allegheny Conference on Community Development; Braskem USA; Duquesne Light Company; FedEx; Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield; Kennametal Inc.; NOVA Chemicals; Pittsburgh Business Times; Pittsburgh Technology Council; PPG; and WTAE, Channel 4.

#### **About Carnegie Science Center**

Carnegie Science Center is dedicated to inspiring learning and curiosity by connecting science and technology with everyday life. By making science both relevant and fun, the Science Center's goal is to increase science literacy in the region and motivate young people to seek careers in science and technology. One of the four Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh, the Science Center is Pittsburgh's premier science exploration destination, reaching more than 700,000 people annually through its hands-on exhibits, camps, classes, and off-site education programs.

#### **Accessibility: Features for All**

Carnegie Science Center welcomes all visitors. We work to assist visitors with disabilities in obtaining reasonable and appropriate accommodations, and in supporting equal access to services, programs, and activities. We welcome visitors in wheelchairs on the deck of our USS Requin (SS 481) submarine. Below-deck visits require full mobility. Hearing assistance devices are available for The Rangos Giant Cinema. Please ask when you buy your ticket.

Please note that requests for accommodations should be made at least two weeks prior to your visit. For specific questions about wheelchairs, strollers, or other programmatic or equipment needs, see the ticket counter located on the first floor of the main building or contact Customer Service at 412.237.1641 or [info@carnegiesciencecenter.org](mailto:info@carnegiesciencecenter.org). Please contact Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh's Accessibility Coordinator with concerns regarding accessibility for visitors with disabilities at the museums. On weekdays, call 412.622.6578 or email [accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org](mailto:accessibility@carnegiemuseums.org).

#### **About Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh**

Established in 1895 by Andrew Carnegie, Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh is a collection of four distinctive museums: Carnegie Museum of Art, Carnegie Museum of Natural History, Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum. In 2017, the museums reached more than 1.4 million people through exhibitions, educational programs, outreach activities, and special events.

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