

2012 SIGACT Distinguished Service Prize Call for Nominations

The SIGACT Distinguished Service Prize is given biennially to an individual who has made substantial service contributions to the Theoretical Computer Science community. It is presented at the ACM Symposium on Theory of Computing, and comes with a \$1,000 prize, a travel grant of up to \$700 to attend the conference, and complimentary conference registration.

Eligibility

The prize can be awarded to an individual for a single contribution or for a series of contributions over a career. All living individuals are eligible with the exception of previous awardees, the sitting SIGACT Chair (Lance Fortnow), an individual who nominated a majority of the current selection committee members, or a member of the current selection committee. Previous awardees are:

1997 David Johnson
1998 Ian Parberry
1999 Fred Roberts
2000 S. Rao Kosaraju
2001 Mike Langston

2002 Alan Selman
2004 Rocky Ross
2006 Tom Leighton
2008 Dick Karp
2010 Hal Gabow

Selection Committee

The winner is selected by a three-member committee. The SIGACT chair appoints the selection committee to serve staggered terms over three award cycles. The 2012 selection committee members are Dick Karp, Tom Leighton and Hal Gabow (chair).

Nominations

Nominations can be made by any member of the Theory of Computing community and should contain a statement of no more than 500 words explaining why the candidate deserves the award. The nomination can also include an additional separate listing of service activities. The nomination must include the name, postal address, phone number, and e-mail address of the nominator. Additional support letters may be submitted, although this is not a requirement.

Nominations are to be submitted electronically in PDF format by March 1, 2012, to the chair of the selection committee, Hal Gabow, at hal@cs.colorado.edu.