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AGENDA

5:00 pm Silent Auction, Cocktails & Networking
7:00 pm Guest Seating - Program Begins
7:05 pm Invocation
7:15 pm Dinner Served
7:45 pm Awards Presentation - Master of Ceremonies, Rick Crandall
8:00 pm Silent Auction Closes
9:00 pm Dancing and Celebration
9:00 pm Silent Auction Available for Pick Up
   (Items will not be available before this time)

CONGRATULATIONS  
2023 RECIPIENTS

Ken Melcher Ambassador of the Year
Chartashia Miller, TT Coaching With Results

Humanitarian of the Year
Marlo Alston, Ready to Work Aurora

Chamber Leadership
Sharlene Fairbanks-Kyte

Community Leadership
State Representative Rhonda Fields

Small Business of the Year
Legends of Aurora Sports Grill

Business Person of the Year
Danny Moore, DeNOVO Solutions

Business of the Year
Visit Aurora

Woman of the Year
Aurora City Councilwoman Françoise Bergan

Man of the Year
Aurora City Manager Jason Batchelor

Arts + Business Connection Award
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Rick Crandall has been a 30-year staple of the Denver-Aurora broadcast community through his former role as Program Director and very popular morning host at KEZW-AM 1430. During his unprecedented run on AM 1430 Rick received a number of awards. In 2003 he and his station were honored with the Aurora Chamber Business for the Arts award for their long-time support of community arts programs. He's also been honored by the United Veteran’s Committee of Colorado, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Regis University. Regis bestowed on him their prestigious Civis Princips Award for his work with seniors and military veterans. He received the 2006 Spirit of Colorado Voice of Volunteerism Award presented by Lt. Governor Jane Norton. In 2012 Rick received the highest honor awarded by the Colorado Broadcasters Association when he was named the Broadcaster of the Year.
PAST RECIPIENTS

The Ken Melcher Ambassador of the Year

2002 Ken Melcher
2003 Cheryl Braunschweiger
2004 Ann Mangelsen
2005 Steve Morin
2006 Cheryl Derman
2007 Ken Preuss
2008 Scott Mueller
2009 Brian Molitoris
2010 Judy Booth
2011 Mark Werner
2012 Teri Karjala & Howie Metz
2013 Ken Melcher
2014 Rick Hatfield
2015 Cheryl Rotkovich
2016 Gina Kaelin-Wescott
2017 Michael Long
2018 Brian Sowl
2019 Benjamin Martin
2021 Sanjay Tyagi
2022 Kristine Minty

Arts+Business Connection Award

1993 Aurora National Bank
FirstBank of Aurora
Norwest Bank
1994 Aurora Sentinel
Community College of Aurora
1995 Mario Waller
1996 Kaiser Permanente
1997 Mary Schnese-Smith
1998 Amy Holyfield
1999 Aurora Credit Union Alliance
2000 Joan Balin
2001 Mary Lou Hamaker
2002 KEZW
2003 Commerce Bank
2004 Aurora Sentinel
2005 Art in Public Places
2006 Suss Pontiac
2007 FirstBank
2008 Shadow Theatre
2009 Dwight Taylor
2010 Jason Altsuler
2011 Charlie Packard
2012 Ed Duggan
2013 DAVA
2014 Fairmount Mortuary & Cemetery
2015 Colin Spencer Productions
2016 Aurora Singers
2017 Aurora History Museum
2018 Brian Molitoris
2019 Town Center at Aurora
2021 Milender White
2022 Fitzsimons Credit Union

Humanitarian of the Year

1974 Tom & Margo Bond
1975 Patricia Kirk
1976 Almond Brunkow
1977 Vern Coverdell
1978 Steve Mowrer
1979 Olen Bell
1980 Mildred DeYoung
1981 Mary Duty
1982 Edward L. Lord
1983 Charles J. Krumenacker
1984 Ruth Whitmore
1985 John P. Thomas
1986 Margaret Thomas
1987 Walt Pleger
1988 Kate Tauer
1989 Mary Eagan
1990 Richard Barnhill
1991 Dorothy Nakaoka
1992 Jim Kauffman
1993 Elroy J. Kelzenberg
1994 David Hartenbach
1995 Judge Loretta Huffine
1996 Vince Schmitz
1997 Joe Bradley
1998 Anne Ayers
1999 David Myers
2000 David McFann
2001 Terry Campbell
2002 Everton Sequeira
2003 Melissa Francis
2004 Steve Kimsey
2005 Danny Wilcox
2006 Carol O’Shea
2007 Robert Galinas
2008 Bob Waples
2009 Michael Mangino
2010 Rich McLean
2011 Jim Seneca
2012 Chief Mike Garcia
2013 Jan Gordon
2014 Gene Roncone
2015 Peter Lee
2016 James Gillespie
2017 Randy Stith
2018 Denise Denton
2019 Hassan Latif
2021 Rodeo Dental and Orthodontics
2022 Hands of the Carpenter
Chamber Leadership
1982 Clower F. “Chick” Ashley
1983 William J. Wiggins
    John L. Anna
1984 William Usher
    Nai-Kwang Chang
    Paul Dickinson
1985 Fred Swenson
1986 Gordon E. Schieman
    John T. Kennedy
    Perry Ford
1987 Stanley Whitaker
1988 William K. Atkinson, ll
    Sherry Kantor
1989 Larry Carter
    Norman Sheldon
1990 Jim Wilson
1990 George Titus
    Karen Sowell
1991 Mark Schaefer
1992 Chuck Coble
1993 Norine Domenico
    Ray Barnes
    Gene Tomczak
1994 Dale Mingilton
1995 Tom Bowman
    Sara Suckling
1996 Teri Mingilton
    Steven Pfeifer
1997 Paul Suss
    Heidi Tackett
1998 Bob Barké
    Cindy Bohl
1999 Bob Steine
2000 Lynnette Woodbury
2001 Jeannie Davis
2002 Dave Frazier
2003 Jo Ellen Snell
2004 Bob Barké
2005 Celeste Delahanty
2006 Ken & Sandie Pruess
2007 Jim Suss
2008 Suzanne Pitrusu
2009 Ron Miller
2010 Mark Isenbarg
2011 Dennis Heap
2012 Councilman Ron Weidmann
2013 Lisa Buckley
2014 Dave Gruber
2015 Steve Sundberg
2016 Jason Altshuler
2017 Jennifer Evans
2018 Jim Bickford
2019 Chad Nielsen
2021 Rebecca Kelley
2022 Alan Antolak

Community Leadership
1989 Frank Mineo
1990 Pat Lord
1991
1992 Phil Herre
    Pam Wilson
1993 Steven Rider
    Tom Ashburn
    Kevin Hougen
1994 Elsie Lacy
1995 Sandy Sweeney
    Don Lindemann
1996 Steve Hogan
    Dick Anderson
1997 Doug Evans
    Larry Grandison
    Helen Littlejohn
1998 Tom Griswold
    Ben Lewis
1999 Pat Landaker
    Chuck Truzinski
2000 Ana Maria Peters-Ruddick
2001 Stephan Peck
    Mark Moses
2002 Dale Mingilton
    Madolyn Paroske
    Teri Mingilton
2003 Ken Melcher
2004 Jack Lynch
2005 Rob Rudloff
2006 Dr. Jay Gershon
2007 Rotary Club of Aurora
2008 Tom Tobiassen
2009 Tim Huffman
2010 Barbara Shannan-Banister
2011 Jim Abendschand
2012 Chief Dan Oates
2013 Michelle Wolfe
2014 Jane McGrath
2015 Louis Salazar
2016 Guy Bellville
2017 Aurora Police Department
2018 South Metro Fire Rescue Authority
2019 Kynnie Martin
2021 Yvonne Valdez
2022 Dr. Mordecai Brownlee
Small Business of the Year
1993 Barbara Brown
1994 Stan Fossum
1995 Norma Nunez
1996 Stephen Brunston
1997 Hugh Sweeney
1998 Richard B. Doby
1999 Shelia Martin
2000 Stephan Peck
2001 Lois Tafoya
2002 Norm Teltow
2003 Rob Rudloff
2004 Cheryl Twesme
2005 Bob Jamieson
2006 Frances Scott
2007 Lee Cooperman
2008 Frank Loner
2009 Steve Sowin
2010 Gary Boesel
2011 Bill Smith
2012 Yvonne Costin
2013 David Barber
2014 Donna Thiel
2015 Brenda Eisenhauers
2016 Kristi Kleinholz
2017 Brian Arnold
2018 Mario Waller
2019 Bye Aerospace
2021 Dion’s Pizza
2022 Launch Pad Brewery

Business Person of the Year
1969 Mel Moore
1970 George Friend
1971 Wendell Glass
1972 Harvey Kleiner
1973 Herb “Doc” Rider
1974 Bart Bartholomew
1975 Ben Wilburn
1976 Esther Zeeb
1977 Lois Martin
1978 Bob Solomon
1979 Helen Kahn
1980 Frank Mineo
1981 Victor G. Barker
1982 Lyall E. Engelstad
1983 Thomas A. Butler
1984 William J. Wiggins
1985 Bill L. Walters
1986 Vincent N. Schmitz
1987 Jim Lewien
1988 William E. Gabbard
1989 William K. Atkinson II
1990 Tom Jaques
1991 William Sanko
1992 Karen Sowell
1993 Carl Hicks
1994 Dennis Johnson
1995 Michael Peterson
1996 Paul Suss
1997 Sylvia Young
1998 Steve Rider
1999 Randy Hertel
2000 Dennis Brimhall
2001 Sandy Neves
2002 Joe & Janine Little
2003 Diane & Francisco Garcia
2004 Wendy Mitchell
2005 Mark Moses
2006 Kelly Leid
2007 Al Liu
2008 Aagje Barber
2008 John Barry
2009 Dumitri Palea
2010 Kevin DeLange
2011 Cindy Kreutz
2012 Rick Crandall
2013 Joyce Rocha
2014 Jeff Thompson
2015 Dick Hinson
2016 Barry Gore
2017 Mandy Young
2018 Dave Ruppel
2019 Bruce Dalton
2021 Chris Fasching
2022 Karen Lovett
Business/Program of the Year

2000 Lynn Gamber
  Brad Mikel
2001 Raytheon
2002 Suss Pontiac
2003 Rural/Metro Ambulance
2004 Sam’s Club
2005 Adolfson & Peterson Construction
2006 Advantage Security, LLC
2007 Pinnacol Assurance
2008 Southlands
2009 Outback Steakhouse
2010 YMCA of Aurora
2011 The GEO Group
2012 Advanced Circuits
2013 Beverage Distributors
2014 Citywide Banks
2015 Doubletree by Hilton—Aurora
2016 Stanley Market Place
2017 Mesa Moving and Storage
2018 Gaylord Rockies Resort and Convention Center
2019 The Medical Rockies Resort Center
2020 Aurora-South Metro Small Business Development Center
2022 Space Base Delta 2, Buckley Space Force

Woman of the Year

1966 Eleanor Foley
1967 Chy Harris
1968 Julie Garvin
1969 Helen Rose
1970 Jan Grace
1971 Glenda Hiatt
1972 Mary Brown
1973 Ruth Fountain
1974 Ellen Mrachek
1975 Beverly Koch
1976 Beverly Scherling
1977 Mary Duty
1978 Annabelle Dunning
1979 Dorothy Grisinger
1980 Molly Link
1981 Alice Dudlich
1982 Linda W. Capra
1983 Anita Krumenacker
1984 Molly Link
1985 Donna A. Shear
1986 Molly Markert
1987 Barbara Shannon-Banister
1988 Peggy Kerns
1989 Robin Pilus
1990 Katherine Montgomery
1991 Debbie Lynch
1992 Alice Lee Main
1993 Patricia L. Kuskie
1994 Commissioner Polly Page
1995 Barbara Brown
1996 Councilmember Ingrid Lindemann
1997 Councilmember Edna Mosley
1998 Ruth Fountain
1999 Councilmember Barb Cleland
2000 Councilmember Nadine Caldwell
2001 Linda Bowman
2002 Commissioner Lynn Myers
2003 Sheila Anthony
2004 Elen Belefi
2005 Diane Simard
2006 Suzanne Williams
2007 Gayle Jetchick
2008 Cindy Kreutz
2009 Kate Tauer
2010 Representative Nancy Todd
2011 Mayor Cathy Noon
2012 Councilmember Marsha Berzins
2013 Judy Emery
2014 Commissioner Nancy Jackson
2015 Representative Su Ryden
2016 Nita Mosby Tyler
2017 Gayle Jetchick
2018 Theresa Bailey
2019 Mayor Stephanie Piko
2021 Beth Braaten
2022 Dr. Kelly Phillips-Henry
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