

Press Release

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NTC Recognizes Technology Leaders at Awards Gala

Over 500 people attend Tech Awards Gala honoring 12 Individuals & Companies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – October 27, 2011 – The <u>Nashville Technology Council</u> presented technology awards to twelve individuals and companies at its sold out Technology Award Gala held at the Schermerhorn Symphony Center on October 27th. The annual gala attracts nearly 500 attendees and honors Middle Tennessee's top technology companies, leaders and innovators. The <u>2011 Technology Awards Gala</u> featured a "red carpet" entrance, VIP reception, dinner, awards presentation, and After Party.

Mark Rowan, President of Griffin Technologies, kicked off the evening with timely and relevant keynote remarks. Each recipient of a prestigious award received a custom Gibson guitar, designed by NTC's own Jessica Hill, and provided by Gibson and Epiphone Guitars. The Awards Gala depends on sponsors for its success and this year XO Communications was the Platinum sponsor, in addition to sponsors for each category, an After Party sponsor and VIP sponsor.

Honorees at the Gala included:

CIO of the Year - Andy Flatt, Healthspring

CISO of the Year – Craig Zimberg, BMI

CTO of the Year - Janice Malaszenko, Nissan

Green Company of the Year – Dsi

Innovator of the Year - Stephen Hau, Shareable Ink

IT Student of the Year - Rachelle Holloman, Belmont

Programmer of the Year - Rickey South, CHS

Social Media/Blogger of the Year - Lyndsay Rush, Centresource

Start-up Company of the Year – Healthcare Productivity Automation (HPA)

Tech Company of the Year - Qualifacts

Tech Volunteer of the Year – Andy Flatt, HealthSpring

Technology Lifetime Achievement – Beth Chase, C3 Consulting

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View the full list of Nominees <u>here</u>.

View the Award winners here.

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