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American Academy of Optometry Announces 2021 Award Recipients

ORLANDO – September 17, 2021 – Each year the American Academy of Optometry recognizes distinguished individuals who have made countless important contributions to advancing the profession of optometry.

“The Academy’s awardees are nominated by Fellows with respect and affection, then considered by the Awards Committee with great care and diligence. In Boston, we once again have the opportunity to honor the astonishing lives and achievements of our awardees, in person.” John G. Flanagan, PhD, FCOptom, FAAO, Awards Committee Chair.

The Academy is pleased to announce the 2021 award recipients:

Stephen A. Burns, PhD, FAAO
Charles F. Prentice Medal and Lecture Award

Konrad Pesudovs, OD, PhD, FAAO
Glenn A. Fry Award and Lecture
(American Academy of Optometry Foundation Award)

Bina J. Patel, OD, FAAO
AAO-Essilor Award for Outstanding
International Contributions to Optometry

Gang Luo, PhD
William Feinbloom Award

Robert E. Molter, Jr., OD, FAAO, and Kimberly S. Molter, OD
Brien Holden Humanitarian Award

Tawna L. Roberts, OD, PhD, FAAO
Irvin M. and Beatrice Borish Award

Raymond Kraker, MSPH
Carel C. Koch Memorial Medal Award

Hannah R. Gregory, OD, MS
Julius F. Neumueller Award in Optics
(American Academy of Optometry Foundation Award)

Paul Chamberlain, BSc (Hons), Sofia C. Peixoto-De-Matos, MSc, Nicola S. Logan, PhD, Cheryl Ngo, MBBS, MMed, Deborah Jones, BSc, FAAO, Graeme Young, PhD, FAAO
Garland W. Clay Award

Etty Bitton, OD, MSc, FAAO
Anne Mika Moy, OD, FAAO
Michael G. Harris Family Award for Excellence in Optometric Education
(American Academy of Optometry Foundation Award)

Awards of the Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies

Carolyn G. Begley, OD, MS, FAAO
Max Schapero Memorial Lecture Award

Joseph T. Barr, OD, MS, FAAO
Founders' Award

Awards of the Public Health and Environmental Vision Section

W. Howard McAlister, OD, MPH, FAAO
Henry B. Peters Award for Public Health and Environmental Vision
(American Academy of Optometry Foundation Award)

The Award Ceremony is by invitation only on Thursday, November 4 at 7:00 pm during Academy 2021 Boston. Presented separately, the Charles F. Prentice and Glenn A. Fry Lectures are Friday, November 5 from 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm in Room 254 ABC of the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center (BCEC).

The Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies Awards will be presented during the Section Awards Ceremony and Max Schapero Lecture on Wednesday, November 3 at 5:00 pm in Room 153 ABC of the BCEC.

The Public Health and Environmental Vision Section will hold their Section Awards Ceremony and Henry B. Peters Lecture on Thursday, November 4 at 6:00 pm.

About the American Academy of Optometry
The American Academy of Optometry (AAO) inspires excellence in optometric practice by fostering research and disseminating knowledge in vision science through its journal, *Optometry and Vision Science*, and the continuing education presented at its annual meeting. Fellows of the Academy are committed to the premise that learning is a lifelong obligation of a professional, as is the commitment to expand the profession's knowledge base through ongoing fellowship and exchange. For more information, visit the website: http://www.aaopt.org

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