

CENDI Meritorious Service Awards

Annual Award Winners chosen by CENDI peers

CENDI Awards Program

The **CENDI Award of Meritorious Service** is given periodically, but not more than annually, to an individual or team who has made a noteworthy contribution to CENDI through its events, publications, administration or outreach. It may be given for a particular contribution in the year previous to the award or for an outstanding history of service. [CENDI Award of Service Procedure](#)

FY13 Award

The Meritorious Award Committee gave two awards to recognize both leadership and “in the trenches” service.

- Jerry Sheehan, Assistant Director for Policy Development, National Library of Medicine, for dedicated and productive leadership roles in CENDI as well as for leadership and expert contributions to CENDI information policy programs.
- William Adams, Associate Deputy General Counsel (Acquisition) in the Office of the General Counsel, Headquarters, Department of the Army and long-time participant on the CENDI Copyright Working group, was selected for his outstanding history of service and invaluable technical contributions to the Copyright working group.



William Adams, left, and Jerry Sheehan



Past Years' Awards



FY12 Award

The Meritorious Award Committee selected

- Annie Simpson, USGS Alternate and Science.gov co-chair, for bringing enthusiasm, creativity, and unbelievable persistence and determination to the revitalization project.
- Lisa Weber, Director of the Information Technology Policy and Administration Division at the National Archives and Records Administration and former Chair of CENDI, received recognition of her tireless and inspiring leadership of CENDI as it grew in strength during two years of dramatic change.



Lisa Weber with Don Hagen, CENDI Chair



Annie Simpson accepting award from Mike McDermott, CENDI Principal



Sharon Jordan pictured with Walter Warnick and Eleanor Frierson

FY11 Award

The FY11 Award was presented to

- Sharon Jordan, Assistant Director for Program Integration at DOE's Office of Scientific and Technical Information and DOE-OSTI CENDI Alternate, for her service and support of CENDI and Science.gov. For a year and a half, she served as the Deputy Chair of CENDI.

FY10 Award

Two awards were presented.

- The Operations Level Award was awarded to Vakare Valaitis, DTIC, in recognition of her service as the Multiagency Coordinator and her continued enthusiasm for CENDI activities.
- Dr. Walter Warnick, Director of the Office of Scientific and Technical Information (OSTI) and DOE CENDI Principal, received the Leadership Level Award for his long-standing history of service and support of CENDI and, in particular, CENDI's Science.gov initiative.



Vakare Valaitis, left, CENDI's Chair Lisa Weber in center, with Walter Warnick, right.



Vicki Allums receiving Award from CENDI Chair, Ellen Herbst. Nancy Kremers Not Pictured.

FY09 Award

This award was presented to two recipients honored for leadership in producing the "Frequently Asked Questions About Copyright and Computer Software" published in Fall 2009, to address Federal Government issues about Copyright and Computer Software, particularly about Open Source Software.

- *Ms. Vicki Allums*, Associate General Counsel with the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA)
- *Ms. Nancy Kremers*, Assistant General Counsel (Intellectual Property & Acquisition Instruments) with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)

FY08 Award

John Sykes received the FY08 Meritorious Award for his service as Deputy Chair (2005-2008), his efforts to promote CENDI within EPA and his enthusiasm for learning from and sharing with his colleagues with the goal of improving EPA and the federal Scientific and Technical Information environment.

FY07 Award

The FY07 Meritorious Award was awarded to *Marjorie (Tanny) Franco* in recognition of her long-term service as the chair of the Content Management & Access Working Group since 1997 and Multi-Agency Coordinator where she helped to identify issues of interest at the operational level, developed activities around these interests, presented the proposed activities to the CENDI principals and alternates, worked with the agencies to ensure staff participation, and monitored and reported on progress.

FY07 and FY08 Winners Not Pictured

FY06 Award

Eleanor Frierson was awarded the FY06 Meritorious Award for her leadership in developing Science.Gov, a gateway to authoritative selected science information provided by U.S. Government agencies that includes research and development results.



Eleanor Frierson



Valerie Allen and Sharon Jordan accepting award on behalf of Science.gov Team

FY05 Award

The FY05 Award was given to the Science.gov Leadership Team consisting of *Valerie Allen (DOE/OSTI)*, *Jean Bowers (formerly, NTIS)*, *Sharon Jordan (DOE/OSTI)*, and *Ken Lanfear (USGS)* for their overall contributions to the establishment, growth, and success of Science.gov. The Science.gov Team brought significant recognition to member agencies participating in the Science.gov Alliance and to the CENDI organization in general.

FY04 Award

Bonnie Klein, DTIC, and CENDI Copyright and Database Protection Working Group Chair, was awarded the Meritorious Award for work done on behalf of CENDI in Copyright and Database Protection and for the best selling publication on FAQ's for Copyright.

Simon Liu, NLM and CENDI IT Security & Privacy Working Group Co-chair, received the Award for his work in bringing cooperation, lessons learned, and education to the CENDI community on issues related to security and privacy, exemplifying the CENDI mission.

Bonnie Klein receiving Award from CENDI Chair, Walter Warnick.



Simon Lui pictured with NLM Principal, Betsy Humphries.