

Welcome

Over the past decade, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame has inducted 68 visionary inventors—those who dared to dream and had the determination to make their dreams a reality; ordinary people who became extraordinary because they did not let failure—or fear of failure—keep them from moving ahead. Each of them persevered in the face of countless challenges. That is the true spirit of an inventor.

Their immense contributions have advanced science, technology, product development, healthcare, education, communications, industry and manufacturing, the economy, the environment, safety and security, sustainable food and water, critical global issues, and much, much more. On this milestone anniversary, we honor the many pioneering innovators across Florida who, with each idea, each innovation, each patent, made a step forward in human progress; who have created solutions to improve our lives, transform our world, and reshape our future.

We also honor their commitment to inspire new inventors. Through our IGNITE program, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame brings together the collective power of world-class innovators from diverse fields and backgrounds, as well as from across the vibrant innovation community throughout the state of Florida, to inspire young innovators and IGNITE their own spark within.

These achievements are not ours alone to celebrate. We are honored to present our deepest thanks to our Corporate Partner, The Florida High Tech Corridor Council; our generous sponsors; and all of you, who make the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame a powerful statewide network connecting all Floridians to the power of innovation.

Tonight, as the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame celebrates the 10th Anniversary of our Induction Ceremony and Gala, it marks a decade of championing human ingenuity, bringing national attention to the innovative work being done throughout our state, recognizing the power of innovation within every individual and igniting a passion for innovation among new generations, and helping all Floridians realize that the future is limited only by our imagination. As we step forward into the next decade, we hope you continue to join us on this journey, recognizing those who have shaped the world as we know it, and engaging the trailblazers of tomorrow.

Happy 10th Anniversary to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame.

Paul R. Sanberg

Founder, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame



By Senator Brandes

A resolution recognizing the inaugural year of the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame, located at the University of South Florida in Tampa.

WHEREAS, Florida is a state where innovation, research, and discovery thrive and where great American inventors, such as Thomas Edison, have lived and worked, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame endeavors to encourage individuals of all ages and backgrounds to strive toward the betterment of Florida and society through continuous, groundbreaking innovation, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame is located at the University of South Florida in order to honor and celebrate the inventors from this state whose achievements have advanced the quality of life of all Americans, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame will be one of only seven state inventors halls of fame in the nation which will recognize the best and brightest inventors from their respective states, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame is led by an advisory board consisting of exceptional individuals from the private and public sectors and academia, and

WHEREAS, the inductoes to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame will be chosen by a selection committee composed of equally distinguished members, and

WHEREAS, the inaugural class of inventors inducted to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame will be recognized in September 2014, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame is recognized on the occasion of its inaugural year for its commitment to honoring inventors and celebrating innovation, discovery, and excellence in this state and that the University of South Florida is commended for founding this institution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame for display as recognition of the Senate's support of innovation in Florida.

> This is a true and correct copy of Senate Resolution No. 1756, adopted by the Florida Senate bril 30, 2014.

President of the Senate

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Senate





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FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME 2023

HON. KATHY CASTOR

OF FLORIDA

EXTENSIONS of REMARKS

Ms. CASTOR. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the ten inventors who have been selected as the 2023 Inductees to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame. To be named as an Inductee, these inventors were nominated by their peers nationwide and have undergone the scrutiny of the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Selection Committee. As a result, innovations have been identified as significantly impacting the quality of life, economic development, and welfare of their communities. the residents of Florida, and the United States.

The Florida Inventors Hall of Fame was founded in 2013 at the University of South Florida. It was recognized by the Florida Senate with Senate Resolution 1756, adopted on April 30, 2014. Its mission is to encourage individuals all backgrounds to strive betterment of Florida and society through continuous, groundbreaking innovation by celebrating the incredible scientific work that has been, or is being, accomplished in Florida and by

Nomination to the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame is open to all Florida inventors (living or deceased) who are or have been residents of Florida. The nominee must be a named inventor on a patent issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The impact of the inventor and his or her invention should be significant to society, and the invention should have been commercialized, utilized, or led to important innovations.

The 2023 Inductees constitute the ninth class to be inducted into the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame. Their groundbreaking discoveries have transformed medicine and healthcare, computer technology and semiconductors, optics and photonics, communications, nuclear energy, and modern color technology. They collectively hold more than 1,100 U.S. patents and come from across industry, academia, and government. Since its founding, the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame has inducted 68 inventors, who collectively hold over 5,100 U.S.

The 2023 Inductees of the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame are:

James L. Cairns: Founder and Executive Director of the Cairns Foundation, and CEO of Abyssal Systems, Inc., who is recognized for pioneering underwater electrical, fiber-optic connector technologies that allowed circuits to be successfully and seamlessly mated and demated reliably within the harsh environment of the deep ocean thereby revolutionizing subsea surveillance, anti-submarine warfare, and ocean energy production.

Jason Eichenholz: Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer of Luminar Technologies, who is recognized for trailblazing innovations in optics-enabled technologies, especially in lidar (light detection and ranging) applications advancing the self-driving vehicle industry; as well as fundamental product development and commercialization for early cancer detection, environmental studies, and military explosives detection, among others

David Flinchbaugh: CEO of Technology Applications International, and CTO of Advanced Medical Innovations, who is recognized for breakthrough technologies reducing fatalities from catheter-associated urinary tract infections affecting millions worldwide; developing the world's first Nuclear Service Robot to help maintain, decontaminate, and refuel nuclear reactors; and devising the first imaging laser radar system.

Ophir Frieder: Professor at Georgetown University Medical Center's Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics & Biomathematics and the Department of Computer Science: Lead Science and Technology Advisor for Aurora Forge; and Chief Scientific Officer of Invaryant, Inc. He is recognized for sustained and extensive innovations in scalable information processing systems, especially for developing behavioral health monitoring used to prevent selfharm/suicide, and predictive medical and wellbeing treatment methods to optimize treatment effectiveness while reducing negative side

William Hauswirth: University of Florida Professor and the Maida and Morris Rybaczki Eminent Scholar Chair in Ophthalmic Sciences at the University of Florida's College of Medicine, who is recognized for groundbreaking advancements in gene therapy to prevent blindness, especially through pioneering the first gene therapy drug, Luxturna®, to treat both adults and children with inherited retinal disease; as well as his work restoring vision to the functionally blind.

Daniel Joseph: Principal Illusion Integrator at Walt Disney Imagineering, who is recognized for landmark innovations in industrial design, special effects, and the integration of threedimensional illusions, creating immersive and interactive experiences for museums and theme parks, especially at Disney theme parks around the world.

Jonathan Rothberg: Founder and Chair, 4
Catalyzer Corporation, who is recognized for next-generation pioneering sequencing that enables low-cost decoding of the human genome, which transformed life science research, healthcare, agriculture, and the development of biofuels; and for the revolutionary Swoop™ Portable Magnetic Resonance Imaging System making MRI accessible to every patient, regardless of income or resources.

Deepika Singh: CEO of R&D Investment Holdings and former CEO of Sinmat, Inc., who is recognized for seminal discoveries chemical/mechanical polishing of a class of semiconductors, super-hard significantly the advancement enabling communications infrastructure and defense electronics, as well as the manufacture of smartwatches, smartphones, and components for electric vehicles

Krishna "Kris" Singh: Founder, President and CEO of Holtec International, who is recognized for extensive transformational innovations that provide the foundational structure for modern nuclear power energy, including systems and equipment, safe storage, transportation of spent fuel; as well as improved operations, safety and efficiency of nuclear power plants.

Gary K. Starkweather (Deceased): An American engineer who is recognized for inventing the world's first laser printer and leading the frontier of the field of color management technology, including Apple's ColorSync technology; as well as advancements in imaging for Microsoft and the film industry, especially as part of the digital effects team for the original Star Wars.

Innovation and invention are the building blocks of our nation. I applaud these highly accomplished individuals and the organizations that support them in their quest to change the world in ways that truly benefit humanity. It is because of the perseverance of these inventors that future generations are encouraged to reach beyond their limits and push the boundaries of

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ALLISON GODLOVE

Host, Tampa Bay's Morning Blend

Opening Remarks

SYLVIA WILSON THOMAS

Interim Vice President for Research & Innovation, University of South Florida Member, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Advisory Board

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RHEA LAW

President, University of South Florida Member, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Advisory Board

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Deputy Director of the United States

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Inductees

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Groundbreaking Wound Treatment

2023

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Revolutionizing Underwater Connector Technologies

Jason Eichenholz

Breakthroughs in Laser and Optics-Enabled Technologies

David Flinchbaugh

Lifesaving Technologies to Reduce CUTI Fatalities

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William Hauswirth

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Pioneering Next-Generation Human DNA Sequencing

Deepika Singh

Discoveries in Chemical Mechanical Polishing

Krishna Singh

Revolutionizing Modern Nuclear Power Structure

Gary K. Starkweather

(1938-2019)

Pioneering the World's First Laser Printer

Visit our Museum!



Learn about our remarkable Inductees and see their world-changing inventions at the Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Museum.





2023 Inaugural Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Pioneer Awards

FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME 2023 PIONEER AWARD



ELIZABETH LEA DOUGHERTY

Eastern Regional Outreach Director, United States Patent and Trademark Office Board Member, Selection Committee Member, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame

As the Eastern Regional Outreach Director for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Elizabeth Dougherty carries out the strategic direction of the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO, and is responsible for leading the USPTO's East Coast stakeholder engagement. Focusing on the region and actively engaging with the community, Dougherty ensures the USPTO's initiatives and programs are tailored to the region's unique ecosystem of industries and stakeholders. A 27-year veteran of the USPTO, Dougherty previously served as the Senior Advisor to the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO. She has also served in the USPTO's Office of Petitions, the Office of Innovation Development, and the Office of Government Affairs. Dougherty has dedicated much of her career to the USPTO's outreach and education programs focusing on small businesses, startups and entrepreneurs. In this effort she has developed, implemented, and supervised programs that support the independent inventor community, small businesses, entrepreneurs, and the intellectual property interests of colleges and universities. Similarly she has spearheaded a number of special projects with federal, state and local governments, and private organizations to promote and support invention and innovation in the United States.

FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME 2023 PIONEER AWARD



JUDY GENSHAFT

President Emerita, University of South Florida Co-Founder and Former Advisory Board Member, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame

During her historic 19-year presidency, from 2000 to 2019, Dr. Judy Genshaft catapulted the University of South Florida to statewide, national, and international prominence for student success, academic rigor, research and innovation, and economic development. As a result of her strategic vision, USF received the elite designation of "Preeminent State Research University" and was invited to become a member of the prestigious Association of American Universities in 2023. In 2019, the USF Honors College was re-named the Judy Genshaft Honors College in recognition of a historic gift. Dr. Genshaft has also played an instrumental role in driving economic development in the Tampa Bay region and across the state of Florida. She served on The Florida Council of 100 for 19 years. She also served as chair of The Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce, the Tampa Bay Partnership, the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100 and the Tampa Hillsborough Economic Development Corp. Nationally, Dr. Genshaft served as Chair for the American Council on Education (ACE) and was a member of the Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities (APLU) Board of Directors. Throughout her career, Dr. Genshaft earned recognition from professional organizations and community groups. Her honors include the 2023 Hillsborough County Women's Hall of Fame, the 2019 Tampa Bay Business Journal Lifetime Achievement award, and the 2008 Tampa Bay Business Hall of Fame, among others. Dr. Genshaft also received national and international honors, including APLU's Michael P. Malone International Leadership Award, ACE's Donna Shavlik Award and the Global Leadership Award from Her Royal Highness Princess Sirindhorn in Bangkok, Thailand, among many others.

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PAUL SANBERG

President, National Academy of Inventors Co-Founder, Advisory Board Chair, Selection Committee Member, Florida Inventors Hall of Fame Distinguished University Professor Executive Director, Center of Excellence for Aging and Brain Repair, University of South Florida

Paul R. Sanberg, Ph.D., D.Sc. is Distinguished University Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery and Brain Repair, Morsani College of Medicine; and Executive Director of the Center of Excellence for Aging and Brain Repair at the University of South Florida. His work has been instrumental in translating new pharmaceutical and cellular therapeutics to clinical trials and commercialization for stroke, ALS, Alzheimer's, Tourette's syndrome, and Parkinson's disease. He has significant experience with start-ups, venture capital and pharmaceutical companies. He is an inventor on 55 U.S. and >100 foreign patents; author of over 700 scientific articles and 14 books. He has served on numerous national advisory boards, and on the editorial boards for over 30 scientific journals. He is a Fellow of 16 national and international academic and scientific societies, and has been recognized with numerous awards. His industry experience includes service as a founder of Saneron CCEL Therapeutics, Inc. (an affiliate of CryoCell), Scientific Director for CytoTherapeutics, Inc. (now StemCells, Inc.), and CSO for Layton BioScience, Inc., all of which were involved in cell therapy for degenerative disorders. He is also President of the National Academy of Inventors.

Host



Allison Godlove

Host Tampa Bay's Morning Blend, WFTS Tampa Bay WUCF's Florida Road Trip Season 9

Allison Godlove is the host of Tampa Bay's Morning Blend. She's been in the broadcast industry for almost two decades. She was born and raised in Western New York and graduated from St.

Bonaventure University. She started her career in Beckley, West Virginia as a Weekend Weather Anchor and Reporter, then spent time in Charleston, West Virginia as an Anchor/Reporter and in Knoxville, Tennessee as an Anchor before moving here to Tampa Bay. Allison was an Anchor for the CBS affiliate for 10 years. During that time, she covered the RNC in Tampa, elections, hurricanes, and countless other stories of people who touched her heart that she'll never forget. Allison is a 2-time Emmy winner for Anchoring and Reporting. In October of 2021, Allison decided to go out on her own as a freelance host. She spent a year and a half traveling to different cities and countries. She also hosted "Florida Road Trip" on WUCF. She started with Tampa Bay's Morning Blend in July 2023. You can catch her weekdays at 10:00am. In March of 2022, Allison married her husband, CJ, who happens to be from the same hometown – but they met here in Florida! It's a small world! That also means she's now officially a dog mom to Beamer, a pocket Beagle who has stolen her heart. Allison loves hearing from you and learning about our community. Follow her on Instagram, Facebook or send her an email. She'd love to hear your story!

Speakers (in order of appearance)



Sylvia Wilson Thomas, PhD

Interim Vice President for Research & Innovation President & CEO of the USF Research Foundation, Inc. University of South Florida

Sylvia Wilson Thomas, PhD, was appointed Interim Vice President for Research & Innovation and President & CEO of the USF Research Foundation. Inc., in November 2021, and directs aspects of USF's research enterprise. Dr. Thomas is a Professor

in Electrical Engineering, leads the Advanced Materials Bio and Integration Research (AMBIR) laboratory at USF, and formerly served as Assistant Dean of the USF College of Engineering. She has contributed to USF's efforts for research innovation, strategic planning and renewal, faculty success, consolidation, justice-equity-diversity-and-inclusion (JEDI), and student recruitment and workforce development.



Rhea F. Law

President University of South Florida

Rhea Law became the University of South Florida's eighth president in March 2022. A proud fifthgeneration Floridian who is passionate about the success of the state, Law is actively involved in corporate, public policy, civic, and charitable

work. Over the course of her 35-year-plus career, she has held top leadership positions with many Florida-based organizations. Law is the first USF graduate to serve as president and has deep ties within the university community and throughout the state of Florida. She earned an undergraduate degree in management from USF, putting herself through school while working as the university research project administrator for the Office of Sponsored Research. She then earned her terminal degree in law at Stetson University College of Law. As one of the founding members of the USF Board of Trustees, she spent five years as vice chair and four years as the first (and only) female chair, contributing significantly to USF's growth and evolution as a high-impact, global research university. Law has held top leadership positions with many Florida-based organizations.



Derrick Brent

Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

Derrick Brent is the Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). As the Deputy Director, he serves as the principal advisor

to Kathi Vidal, Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO, managing a wide portfolio of programs and operations for one of the largest intellectual property (IP) offices in the world, with more than 13,000 employees and an annual budget of more than \$4 billion. His responsibilities include working with Director Vidal to lead the USPTO; advance IP policy and procedures for the benefit of the country; expand the USPTO's outreach efforts to incentivize and support more innovation and entrepreneurship nationwide; and execute the agency's policies, priorities, and programs.

Deputy Director Brent's career includes vast public service and private sector work, including significant experience in IP law and work to assist startups as well as those who are underrepresented. He served for six years as Chief Counsel for Senator Barbara Boxer. where he was responsible for a broad portfolio that included IP and constitutional issues, civil rights, telecommunications, and judicial nominations. During his time in the Senate, Deputy Director Brent was recognized as one of the most knowledgeable counsels on IP and a respected authority on 2011's America Invents Act and other impactful legislative initiatives. He worked closely with the IP community in the Senator's home state of California and across the country, including with prior USPTO directors and experts, forging consensus where possible, bringing important issues to the attention of the lead committee staff, researching and drafting proposals, and counseling and briefing constituents.

Prior to becoming a lawyer, Deputy Director Brent worked for General Motors as an engineer with the Powertrain Division. There, he managed the engineering and business activities for multiple subcontracted manufacturing facilities across the country.



Kathy Castor

U.S. Representative Florida's 14th Congressional District

Kathy Castor is Tampa Bay's voice in the U.S. Congress. She was elected in 2006 and represents Florida's 14th Congressional District, which includes Tampa and parts of Hillsborough

County and Pinellas County. She is the first woman to represent Hillsborough and Pinellas counties in the U.S. Congress.

Castor focuses on issues vital to Tampa Bay area families and businesses and is committed to building a stronger economy that works for everyone as Ranking Member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee's powerful Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee.

Castor is a leader in the Congress on initiatives to create jobs, protect the environment and consumers, improve schools, ensure veterans receive the benefits and care they have earned, provide access to affordable health care and defend protections for people with preexisting health conditions.

For more than 25 years, **The Florida High Tech Corridor** has been a force multiplier helping to unleash the *expotential* of the 23-county region we serve. We converge and catalyze the capacity of high tech, innovation and bright minds by aligning opportunities and resources in academia, industry and economic development.

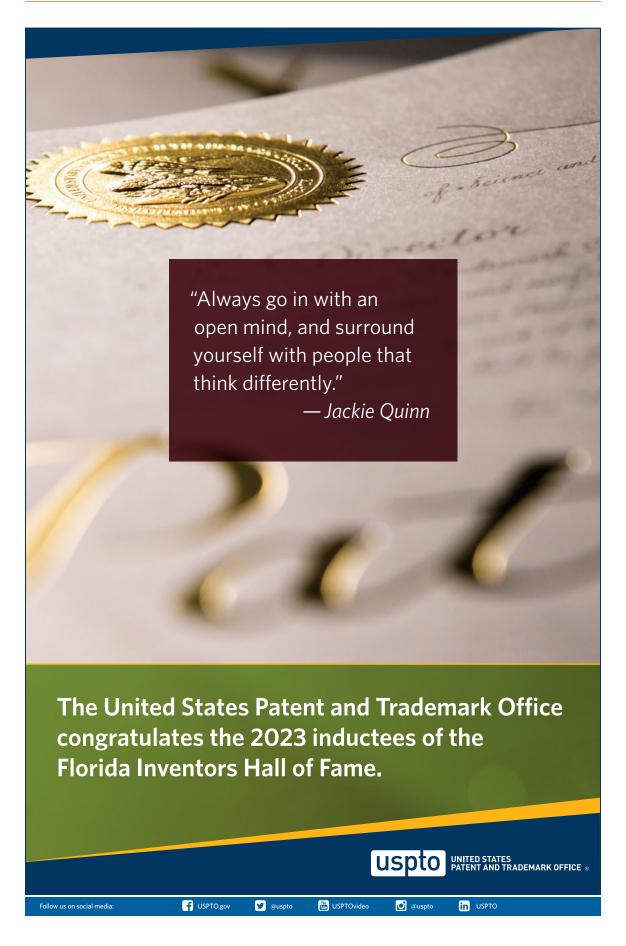


Through a constellation of industries, tech's potential drives the future of Florida beyond its borders and around the globe.

Explore our history and learn how we are influencing the future of Florida's techscape at FloridaHighTech.com.

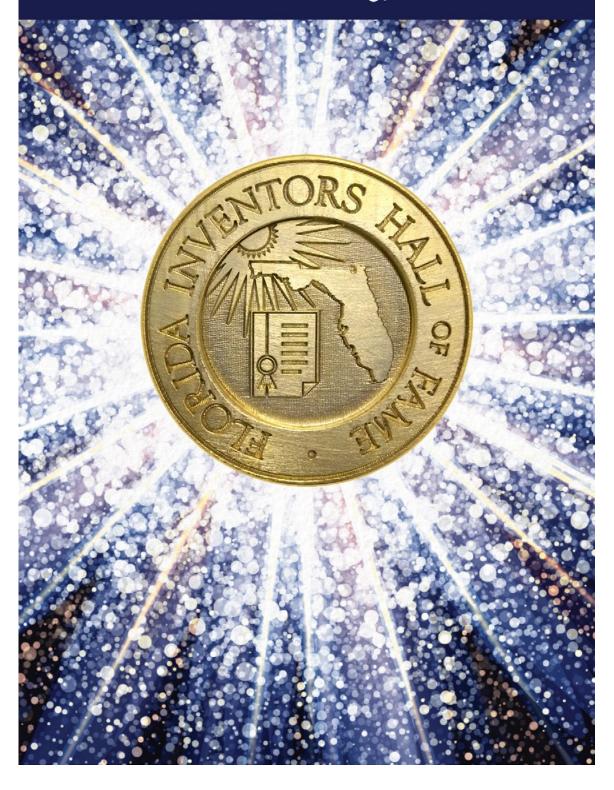






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2020 Inductee

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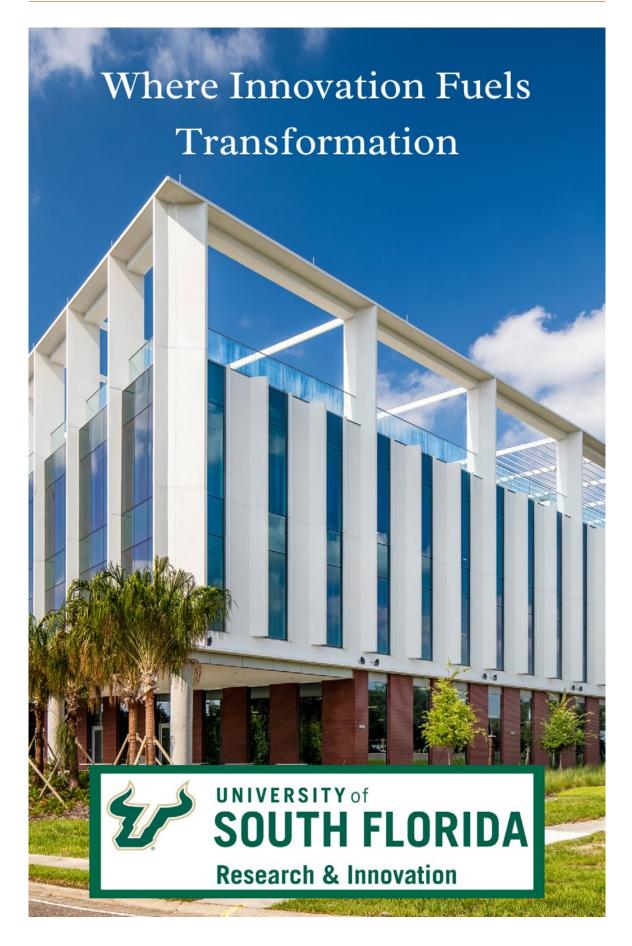


CHRISTOPHER BATICH, PH.D.

Professor Biomedical Engineering University of Florida Gainesville

65 U.S. PATENTS

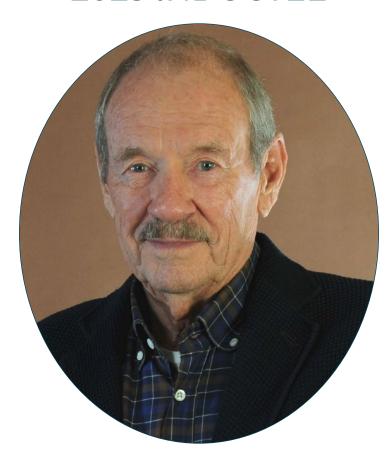
Professor Christopher Batich obtained a PhD in chemistry from Rutgers University, did a post-doc at the University of Basel in Switzerland, and then spent seven years at the DuPont Central Research Department before coming to the University of Florida (UF) in 1981. He has been involved in research related to the application of materials to create new biomedical devices in numerous collaborative projects with the UF Health Center. From 1997 until 2002 he was the founding director of the graduate Biomedical Engineering (BME) Program. From 2008 until 2010 he was founding associate director and chief operating officer of the new Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) at UF. A major focus for both groups is to leverage the science and engineering at UF to carry out research leading to improved patient care by healthcare professionals. Batich is a joint member of the UF BME Department as well as a professor in the Materials Science and Engineering Department. He has published about 160 peer reviewed papers and is an inventor or co-inventor on 62 issued patents which were developed while at UF. The most commercially significant technology is a bacterial barrier wound dressing called "Bioguard" that kills all bacteria tested on contact with no active agent being released. This type of dressing was so novel that it required a special "de novo" approval, or clearance, by the FDA before it could be marketed. It is now the standard dressing in the UF Burn Unit and several other burn units around the United States as well as in many nursing homes. In general, Batich has worked with surface modification and analysis of polymeric materials as well as drug delivery and in studying the role of reactive iron species in neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, Parkinson's and Huntington's. He has also expanded on drug delivery methods to create devices to protect against disease carrying mosquitoes by slow release of repellents in conjunction with the UF faculty in the Entomology Department and the local United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). A recent collaboration with the Cardiology Department at the Jacksonville UF Health Center has led to development of a device being tested with Johns Hopkins to prevent some of the possible complications associated with cardiac ablation.





2023 Inductees

FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME **2023 INDUCTEE**



JAMES L. CAIRNS, PH.D.

Chief Executive Officer Abyssal Systems, Inc. Ormond Beach

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James L. Cairns is CEO of Abyssal Systems, Inc., and the Founder and Executive Director of the Cairns Foundation. Dr. Cairns' pioneering electrical, fiber-optic connector technologies revolutionized subsea surveillance, anti-submarine warfare, and ocean energy production.

Dr. Cairns' electrical/electronic and fiber-optic connector technology allowed circuits for the first time to be mated and de-mated reliably within the extremely harsh environment of the deep ocean. The need for deep-ocean electrical connectors goes back to the World War II development of SONAR for antisubmarine warfare. Prior to the mid 1950's, the "dry mate" connectors existing then had to be assembled and disassembled in a dry environment before and after each submersion. In Dr. Cairns' seminal 1968 patent, the electric sockets were housed in sealed fluid-filled chambers where the pressures are balanced to the exterior environment by a movable portion of the chamber wall. His principle of oil-filled and pressure-balanced construction has become the universal standard for subsea connectors.

His innovations have revolutionized anti-submarine warfare and subsea surveillance by providing sophisticated subsea systems for homeland security and military surveillance; expanded the global area available for conventional deepwater oil and gas production in addition to facilitating the emerging and burgeoning industry of sustainable offshore windmill farms; and made possible real-time oceanographic observatories by providing internet access on the seafloor thereby enabling tsunami, volcanic and earthquake early warning systems for coastal communities around the world.

Dr. Cairns also co-founded two Florida technology companies which he later sold to Lockheed Corporation and Teledyne Technology Corporation, respectively. He holds 62 U.S. patents and received the Marine Technology Society's Compass-Rolex Distinguished Lifetime Achievement Award and Lockheed Martin Award for Excellence in Marine Science and Engineering. In 2017, he was inducted into the Offshore Energy Center Hall of Fame for Pioneering Technology. He earned his Ph.D. at the Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, University of California-San Diego, on a full Navy Fellowship.

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JASON EICHENHOLZ, PH.D.

Co-Founder and Chief Technology Officer
Luminar Technologies
Courtesy Faculty Member, CREOL,
The College of Optics and Photonics
University of Central Florida
Orlando

83 U.S. PATENTS

Jason Eichenholz Ph.D. is a serial entrepreneur, executive and pioneer in laser and photonics product development and commercialization. In 2012, he co-founded Luminar, a NASDAQ-listed global automotive technology company ushering in a new era of vehicle safety and autonomy.

Over the past twenty-five years, Eichenholz has led the development of hundreds of millions of dollars of revolutionary new photonics and photonic-enabled products spanning applications from autonomous vehicles, battlefield explosives detection, early cancer detection, new drug delivery systems and environmental studies from the depths of the oceans to the top of Mt. Everest and even on the Moon and Mars.

Eichenholz holds more than eighty U.S. patents and his products and various companies have been featured in The New York Times, Fortune. Wired and more. He is a Fellow of SPIE—the International Society for Optics and Photonics, and a Fellow of Optica (formerly the Optical Society of America), advancing optics and photonics worldwide.

An alumnus of the University of Central Florida's College of Optics and **Photonics**

(CREOL)—where he earned both M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Optical Science and Engineering, Dr. Eichenholz enjoys giving back to UCF by mentoring students and lecturing on campus as a courtesy faculty member at CREOL. He currently serves on the UCF College of Engineering and Computer Science Dean's advisory board and the CREOL undergraduate advisory board. Eichenholz holds a B.S. in Physics from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

In his free time, Eichenholz likes to give back to his community and is especially passionate as an advocate for autism awareness, housing and employment and has served for 25 years as a Reserve Lieutenant and Emergency Medical Technician with Orange County Fire Rescue.

FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME **2023 INDUCTEE**



DAVID E. FLINCHBAUGH, PH.D., P.E., C.MFG.E., C.E.M.

Chief Executive Officer **Technology Applications International** Chief Technology Officer Medventions Technologies Orlando

12 U.S. PATENTS

Dr. David Flinchbaugh is the CEO of Technology Applications International, CTO Advanced Medical Innovations and founder and former CEO of UroSolutions, Inc. Dr. Flinchbaugh is a trained nuclear physicist, health physicist and prolific inventor across a number of scientific sectors.

His most significant patents include seven which describe the UroCycler—a non-invasive, fully FDA Certified prosthetic urinary sphincter and bladder management system which restores normal recycling to the human urinary tract and which has been clinically proven to reduce by 90.9% fatal catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI) by 90.9%, a significant decrease considering CAUTIs kill an estimated 90,000 people each year.

His extraordinary developments also include the invention of the ROSA (remotely operated service arm) for deployment in nuclear power facilities. This high-tech robotic system is deployed for the maintenance. decontamination, and refueling of nuclear reactor electric power generation facilities, and can perform all operations required to keep the facility operating, without exposing the human workers to the extremely hazardous radiation environments. His successful work has been used in nearly all of the nuclear power systems around the world, including the recovery of the Japanese Fukushima system in the wake of the 2011 tsunami.

Dr. Flinchbaugh has also been a leader in the innovation ecosystem in Florida and across the nation. He founded four Florida companies as well as the Inventors Council of Central Florida—the second oldest inventors council in the nation. He also served as a Director of the National Council of Inventor Organizations.

Dedicated to helping his community, Dr. Flinchbaugh works almost daily with quadriplegics, wounded and disabled returning war combat veterans, and he has provided numerous innovations to help people with cancer and HIV. He enjoys working with young people and has created and taught courses in STEM for K-12 as well as college students.

Dr. Flinchbaugh holds two B.S. degrees from Union College; two Master's degrees, and a doctorate in quantum physics from the University of Connecticut. He went on to complete post-doctoral work at Harvard. He is a Life Fellow of IEEE; and a Fellow of the Laser Institute of America. Optica (formerly the Optical Society of America), and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers. He also received the Medical Excellence Award, the Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation Award, and the DaVinci Award.

FLORIDA INVENTORS HALL OF FAME 2023 INDUCTEE



OPHIR FRIEDER, PH.D.

Professor

Department of Biostatistics, Bioinformatics, & Biomathematics and Department of Computer Science, Georgetown University Former Harris Professor of Computer Science & Computer Engineering, Florida Institute of Technology Melbourne

118 U.S. PATENTS

Dr. Ophir Frieder, Ph.D. is a Professor at Georgetown University and Georgetown Medical Center. He is the former Harris Professor of Computer Science & Computer Engineering at Florida Institute of Technology. Dr. Frieder also serves as a scientific advisor to several companies.

Dr. Frieder's inventions in scalable information processing systems have transformed health informatics. In the medical arena, he is especially recognized for developing behavioral health monitoring used to prevent self-harm, and predictive medical and well-being treatment methods optimizing efficacy while minimizing adverse effects. His advances have been incorporated into national programs that have enabled services such as the 2022 update to the National Suicide Prevention Hotline.

mood/sentiment Frieder developed Dr. approaches for social media interaction and online marketing; an assortment of common telecommunications protocols; and medical and consumer electronic devices.

Dr. Frieder is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the Association for Computing Machinery, the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, IEEE and the National Academy of Inventors. He is a member of Academia Europaea and the European Academy of Sciences and Arts. He also was awarded the Association for Information Science and Technology (ASIS&T) Research in Information Science Award for medical informatics and the IEEE Edward J. McCluskey Technical Achievement Award for scalable information systems. He holds a B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. from the University of Michigan.

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WILLIAM W. HAUSWIRTH, PH.D.

Professor and Maida and Morris Rybaczki **Eminent Scholar Chair** Ophthalmic Sciences University of Florida College of Medicine Gainesville

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William W. Hauswirth, Ph.D., is a Professor and the Maida and Morris Rybaczki Eminent Scholar Chair in Ophthalmic Sciences at the University of Florida's College of Medicine. He is also the co-founder of Applied Genetic Technologies Corporation (AGTC), which develops gene therapies that transform the lives of patients worldwide.

Dr. Hauswirth's pioneering work in gene therapy over the past several decades has contributed to restoring vision to the functionally blind. Using the Adeno-Associated Virus (AAV) vectors as platforms for delivering DNA to targeted cells, Dr. Hauswirth has been able to develop novel gene therapies for disorders affecting essentially all parts of the eye. Most significantly, his groundbreaking development of Luxturna® was the first gene-therapy drug to treat children and adults with inherited retinal disease. His patents have been licensed to more than a dozen companies. He has also created five other gene therapies to treat different forms of genetic blindness that are currently undergoing human clinical trials.

Dr. Hauswirth has an extensive history of sustained discoveries in the delivery and testing of potentially therapeutic genes for Dominant, Recessive and X-Linked Retinitis Pigmentosa; Leber Congenital Amaurosis; Achromatopsia; Blue Cone Monochromacy; Usher Disease; Macular Degeneration; Diabetic Retinopathy; Glaucoma and Optic Neuropathies in natural and transgenic animal models for each of these human diseases. Moreover, he has been and currently serves as the Principal Investigator on dozens of National Institutes of Health and private foundation grants supporting this work. He also collaborates with more than 70 other researchers around the world to design specific AAV vectors (roughly 100 per year) to assist with global transdisciplinary research efforts.

Dr. Hauswirth has been recognized in numerous publications for his scientific breakthroughs. He was cited in Science Magazine's "A Decade of Breakthroughs"; he was featured in Time Magazine's Third Most Important Discovery of 2009; and that same year he was named Florida Scientist of the Year by Florida Trend Magazine. In 2016, Dr. Hauswirth received a Papal Invitation to the Vatican Conference on Regenerative Medicine. He is a Fellow of ARVO-Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology, and the recipient of numerous awards, including the Alcon Award for Vision Research, the Foundation Fighting Blindness Trustees Award, and the John Kayser International award for Retinal Research, as well as several Lifetime Achievement Awards.

Dr. Hauswirth holds a B.S. in Chemistry from Stanford University, and a Ph.D. from Oregon State University. He completed post-doctoral work at Johns Hopkins University.



DANIEL JOSEPH

Principal Illusion Integrator Walt Disney Imagineering Orlando

Mr. Daniel Joseph is a Principal Illusion Integrator at Walt Disney Imagineering, where he leads a team of designers and the "Illusioneering" Lab." A trained Industrial Designer, Mr. Joseph's advances in special effects revolutionized modern design and implementation of special effects, transforming them into three-dimensional, immersive and interactive experiences.

As a leader in the industry, Mr. Joseph helps to conceive, design, and install a range of special effects and illusions for Disney theme parks around the world. Most notably, he was one of the key team members who brought to life the Hatbox Ghost for the Haunted Mansion at Disneyland's 60th Anniversary. His pioneering innovations have also been incorporated into Sorcerers of the Magic Kingdom, Test Track, Magic Kingdom expansion, and both Trader Sam's tiki bars, to name a few.

In addition to his breakthrough patents in interactive special effects including Infrared projection for camera blocking; volumetric projection device; personal temperature regulator; two-dimensional media combiner for creating three-dimensional displays; and an autostereoscopic display system and method, he has also consulted on product development for medical equipment to improve safety and usability. One of his design patents was featured in PC Magazine's article called "The Best Inventions of 2011 - So Far."

Mr. Joseph has also designed and created cutting-edge interactive museum exhibits and new wayfinding devices for a number of prestigious museums, including The Franklin Institute. He also designed special effects and illusions for Universal Studios attractions, and at historic facilities and sites such as the Eastern State Penitentiary Historic Site, Inc.

A life-long inventor, Mr. Joseph started making special effects haunted houses in his basement as a young boy, charging 25 cents to his neighborhood friends and visitors—which he then donated to the local humane society. He has often said, "creating something that makes a person say, 'how did they do that?' is my daily goal."

Mr. Joseph holds an undergraduate degree in Industrial Design from the University of the Arts. He was featured in all three books of the late Disney legend Marty Sklar: Dream it! Do it! My Half-Century Creating Disney's Magic Kingdoms; One Little Spark! Mickey's 10 Commandments and the Road to Imagineering; and Travels with Figment on the Road in Search of Disney Dreams. In 2006, he won first prize in Walt Disney Imagineering's Imaginations Design Competition. Additionally, Mr. Joseph is an unwavering advocate for encouraging and mentoring future inventors, especially inspiring those with different abilities or who come from difficult circumstances, and he is a frequent speaker on this topic.



JONATHAN ROTHBERG, PH.D.

Founder, Chief Strategy Officer 4Catalyzer Incorporated Adjunct Professor of Genetics Yale University Miami

Dr. Jonathan Rothberg is known for inventing and commercializing nextgeneration DNA sequencing, for which he was awarded the National Medal of Technology and Innovation - the nation's highest honor for technological achievement – by President Obama.

Dr. Rothberg is the founder and chairman of the 4Catalyzer incubator, which has raised over \$2 Billion across its seven-life science and medical device companies. Jonathan's mission is to build technologies that save lives of people he loves and maximize societal impact.

He founded 454 Life Sciences, bringing to market the first new method for sequencing genomes since Sanger and Gilbert won the Nobel Prize in 1980. Dr. Rothberg sequenced the first individual human genome (James Watson's Genome, Nature), and with Svante Paabo initiated the Neanderthal Genome Project. Under his leadership, 454 undertook the first deep sequencing of a cancer, helped understand the mystery behind the disappearance of the honey bee, uncovered a new virus killing transplant patients, and elucidated the extent of human variation—work recognized by Science magazine as the breakthrough of the year for 2007. The New England Journal described Dr. Rothberg's innovation as "The New Age of Molecular Diagnostics", Science magazine called it one of the top 10 breakthroughs for 2008. Dr. Rothberg went on to invent semiconductor chip-based sequencing, and sequenced Gordon Moore (Moore's law, Nature), ushering in the age of the \$1,000 Genome.

In addition to founding 454 Life Sciences and Ion Torrent, Dr. Rothberg CuraGen Corporation, Clarifi, RainDance Technologies, 4Catalyzer, Butterfly Network, Hyperfine Research, Tesseract Health, Liminal Sciences, Detect, Quantum-Si, and Al Therapeutics.



DEEPIKA SINGH, D.SC.

Founder and Chief Executive Officer R&D Investment Holdings, LLC Gainesville

Dr. Deepika Singh the Founder and CEO of R&D Investment Holdings, LLC. A pioneer in chemical mechanical planarization or polishing (CMP). Dr. Singh developed and incorporated novel chemistries in the polishing of a class of super-hard semiconductors based on silicon carbide and gallium nitride.

In 2002, Dr. Singh founded Sinmat, a company she developed to commercialize Chemical Mechanical Planarization (CMP) technologies for the semiconductor chip industry. These technologies are currently being used by leading global suppliers in some of the fastest-growing markets involving the manufacturing of smart watches, phones, advanced silicon carbide (SiC) and gallium nitride (GaN) electronics for electric vehicles (EVs), 5G communications infrastructure, and advanced defense electronics.

Ultra-hard materials, such as SiC, GaN, diamond & sapphire, exhibit very low polish rates due to their extreme hardness and chemical inertness. Polishing these materials is extremely difficult without creating defects that can affect chip performance. The CMP processes developed by Dr. Singh incorporate novel chemistries and particles, which enhance polishing rates by 100 times over traditional methods while improving the finish and eliminating sub-surface damage. For SiC, this CMP process has decreased polishing times from greater than 50 hours to about 1 hour, and manufacturing costs by over 90%. In addition to the advances of CMP technology, it also addresses global warming challenges by advancing renewable energy and solid-state lighting.

Dr. Singh was recognized in 2009 by then President Obama at a White House press conference. The President commended her and Sinmat for serving the nation by "helping develop microchips that power smarter energy systems from more efficient hybrid cars to more responsive, efficient lighting for homes and businesses."

In 2020, Entegris Inc, a leading supplier of specialized materials and chemicals to the semiconductor industry, acquired Sinmat. Dr. Singh then went to found R&D Investment Holdings, where she is engaged in strategies to improve the educational outcomes of underrepresented minorities.

Dr. Singh earned her D.Sc. from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, her M.S. from the University of Florida, and her B.S. from North Carolina State University. She is the recipient of numerous additional awards, including four R&D100 awards—which are also known as the "Oscars of Invention—for developing the top 100 technology products, and the Manufacturing Business of the Year Award. In 2022, she was elected as a Member to the National Academy of Engineering.



KRISHNA SINGH, D.SC.

Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer Holtec International Jupiter

Dr. Kris Singh is the Founder, President and CEO of Holtec International. Established in 1986, Holtec is a premier multi-national energy technology company with an active presence in 11 countries on five continents. He is also a Professor at the University of South Florida's (USF) Institute for Advanced Discovery and Innovation, where he collaborates with the USF faculty in the areas of advanced thermal storage and efficient harnessing of solar energy.

Dr. Singh holds PhD and master's degrees from the University of Pennsylvania and a BS in Mechanical Engineering from BIT Sindri, India. He was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2013 for his seminal impact in the energy sector of mechanical engineering. He has received numerous awards and recognitions including the Edison Foundation's "Thomas Alva Edison Award," Rutgers University's "South Jerseyan of the Year" award, the George Washington Medal from Philadelphia's Engineer's Club, and was inducted in the "Walk of Fame" at the University City Science Center (Philadelphia). He is a fellow of the Pan American Academy of Engineering and Academy of Science, Engineering and Medicine of Florida. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Pennsylvania and Michigan, a member of the American Nuclear Society and a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Dr. Singh is a widely published author and a prolific inventor with 187 US patents, many of which have had a transformative impact on the global nuclear industry, propelling Holtec to the rank of America's largest exporter of capital nuclear equipment. Undergirded by these patents, Holtec is globally pre-eminent in the management of used nuclear fuel. decommissioning of retiring nuclear plants and development of small modular reactor technologies.

Dr. Singh is currently an Emeritus Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania and a member of the Board of Advisers for Penn's College of Engineering and Applied Science. He serves on the Board of the Nuclear Energy Institute, the Atlantic Council, Ukraine's Presidential "National Investment Council" and the Cooper Health System.

He chairs the KPS Foundation, a charitable Singh family foundation whose signature contribution to the advancement of science is the completion of the "Krishna P. Singh Center for Nanotechnology" at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia in 2013. The KPS Foundation is also active in improving child literacy and public health in developing countries.



GARY STARKWEATHER

American Engineer 1938-2019 Lake Mary

Gary K. Starkweather is an American physicist who invented the world's first laser printer and pioneered the invention of color management technology.

Mr. Starkweather got his start working for the Bausch & Lomb optical company. In 1964, he went to work for Xerox, and later he transferred to Xerox PARC in California, where he invented the first laser printer. As a result of his invention, in 1977, Xerox launched the 9700 laser printer, which would become one of Xerox's best-selling products. Making billions of dollars for Xerox, Starkweather's original laser printer was the most commercially profitable product to come out of the PARC facility.

During that time, he also became a consultant to the film industry, helping the digital effects team on the first Star Wars movie in 1977. He later received an Academy Award for his pioneering work on color film scanning with Lucasfilm and Pixar.

After more than 20 years at Xerox, Mr. Starkweather joined Apple Computer, where he spent about 10 years working on color imaging management, which led to the development of ColorSync technology. He then worked for Microsoft from 1997 until retiring in 2005. After retirement, he settled in Florida where he lectured at colleges such as the University of Central Florida and the University of South Florida, inspiring a new generation of innovators.

Mr. Starkweather received his B.S. in Physics from Michigan State University and his M.S. in Optics from the University of Rochester. He is a recipient of the David Richardson Medal. He was a Member of the National Academy of Engineering and a Fellow of Optica (formerly Optical Society of America), and he is a 2012 Inductee to the National Inventors Hall of Fame.

Mr. Starkweather passed away in Orlando, Florida on December 26, 2019.



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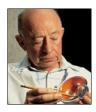
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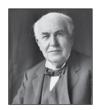
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