



The TxABA Awards Committee was established by the TxABA executive council in 2018. The goal of the awards committee is to establish awards provided by TxABA and recommend nominees for said awards. The awards committee is seeking recommendations for award recipients to be awarded at the 38th Annual Conference to be held in San Antonio April 27-30, 2023. The descriptions of the available awards and the past recipients can be viewed on the [awards committee webpage](#), or below.

Should you have any recommendations for 2023 award recipients, please email the following information to awards@txaba.org by **December 5, 2022**:

- **The name and contact information of the nominee**
- **The award for which you are nominating the individual**
- **A brief description (a few paragraphs) regarding why you believe the nominee deserves the award. If possible, please provide supporting documentation (e.g., a resume/CV, information regarding positions held, references to presentations/publications, awards received, products/reports [e.g., media reports] regarding their work).**

Award recipients and the individual nominating them will be contacted by mid-January.

Award Categories and Past Recipients

(Please note that awards are not given each year)

Pioneers Behavior Analyst in Texas

Awarded to persons who were actively involved in behavior analysis in Texas, contributing to the development of behavior analysis in the state, active in Texas in the 1960s and 1970s when the profession was just developing. This award is not necessarily given annually. Recipients need not reside in Texas at the time the award is given. They should be in good standing in the profession when the award is presented (or, if the award is presented posthumously, were at the time of death).

- 2011: Donald Whaley, PhD
- 2011: Joel Greenspoon, PhD
- 2011: James Kopp, PhD
- 2015: Sigrid Glenn, PhD
- 2016: John Mabry, PhD
- 2016: Jack Michael, PhD
- 2018: Sander Martin, PhD



Public Service Contributions to Behavior Analysis in Texas

Awarded to persons in Texas who engaged in activities effectively promoting public policy affecting behavior analysis. The efforts can involve advocacy in support of behavior analysis and behavior analysts. This award is not necessarily given annually. Recipients are not required to be behavior analysts. Recipients need not reside in Texas at the time the award is given.

- 2011: Jeffrey Enzinna, MS
- 2016: Representative Larry Gonzales
- 2016: Representative Eddie Lucio, Jr.
- 2016: Representative Ron Simmons
- 2017: Christina Enzinna, MA
- 2019: Laurie Snyder
- 2019: Carol Sloan
- 2022: Courtney Hoffman

Career Contributions to Behavior Analysis in Texas

Awarded to persons who have been engaged in behavior analysis in Texas and made notable contributions to the profession for numerous years, typically at least 20 years. The contributions might involve a variety of types of activities including: university instruction, clinical services (i.e., can include persons that predominately work as practitioners), research, and activities for behavior analysis organizations. This award is not necessarily given annually. Recipients need not reside in Texas at the time the award is given. They should be in good standing in the profession when the award is presented (or, if the award is presented posthumously, were at the time of death).

- 2011: Sigrid Glenn, PhD
- 2011: Donald Williams, PhD
- 2012: Janet Ellis, PhD
- 2013: Hillary J. Karp, PhD
- 2013: Gordon Bourland, PhD
- 2014: Richard G. Smith, PhD
- 2015: Deborah Grossett, PhD
- 2015: Robin Rumph, PhD
- 2016: Ed Hutchison, PhD
- 2016: Cloyd Hyten, PhD
- 2017: Terry McSween, PhD
- 2018: Dorothea Lerman, PhD
- 2019: Shahla Ala'i-Rosales, PhD
- 2021: Chris Ninness, PhD



Enduring Career Contributions to Behavior Analysis

Awarded to persons who over their career in behavior analysis have made major contributions to the profession recognized nationally and possibly internationally. This award typically is presented to deserving persons who are making presentations at the annual TxABA conference that are not otherwise directly connected to Texas or TxABA. It is not necessarily given annually. Recipients need not reside in Texas at the time the award is given. They should be in good standing in the profession when the award is presented (or, if the award is presented posthumously, were at the time of death).

- 2013: Nathan Azrin, PhD
- 2017: Brian Iwata, PhD

Distinguished Services to the Texas Association for Behavior Analysis

To be presented to persons who have made important contributions to the survival or functioning of the Texas Association for Behavior Analysis over several years. The recipient typically will be persons involved in organizational and administrative activities for the organization (e.g., planning and managing the annual conference, managing finances of the organization), doing so in an honest, effective, inclusive, and equitable manner, positively representing the organization in dealing with members and the public in general. Recipients need not reside in Texas at the time the award is given. They should be in good standing in the profession when the award is presented (or, if the award is presented posthumously, were at the time of death).

- 2019: Heather Barahona, MS
- 2021: Leslie Burkett, PhD
- 2022 Gordon Bourland, PhD