



## VGTC Visualization Awards

Chuck Hansen, VGTC Visualization Awards Program Chair



# IEEE VIS 2021 Awards

- VGTC Visualization Awards Program Chair
- Changes in 2021 to VGTC Visualization Awards
  - Dissertation Award (was headed by VIS Pioneers)
  - Significant New Researcher (early career award) up to 2 per year
  - Technical Achievement Award
  - Lifetime Achievement Award (was Career)
  - Service Award to include conference and VGTC service
  - Transparency of awards committee, nominations and process
    - Diversity / Inclusiveness – nominations wanted, anyone can nominate!
    - Consistency – published criteria
    - Process – 6 voting members, Chairs don't vote, 3 year appointment for Chair and committee members, 2 new voting members each year

# IEEE VGTC Visualization Dissertation Award

- Chair: Heike Leitte

Committee: Michael Gleicher   Marti Hearst   Alex Lex  
Stephen North   Cagatay TurkeyRüdiger Westermann

- Process

- 6 nominations, 3 valid nominations (3 were not in the specified time-frame)
- Each dissertation reviewed by 3 members of the committee and inspected by everyone else
- Consensus reached in zoom meeting via discussion between all members



## IEEE VGTC Visualization Dissertation Award



**Dr. Arjun Srinivasan**, Ga Tech University, USA

*Combining Natural Language and Direct Manipulation  
for Human-Data Interaction through Visualizations  
Advisor: Professor John Stasko*

# VGTC Visualization Significant New Researcher Award

- Chair: Shixia Liu

Committee: Jeff Heer      Hanspeter Pfister    Huamin Qu  
                 Nathalie Riche   Claudio Silva    Anna Vilanova

- Process

- 10 nominations
- COIs were recognized and top 3 rank-ordered votes were sent to the Chair
- The Chair anonymized / normalized (based on COIs) ranking and emailed to committee.
- First vote narrowed the choices to three, Second vote decided awardees
- Consensus reached through zoom



## VGTC Visualization Significant New Researcher Award

Michelle Borkin



Benjamin Bach



*In recognition of her work on visualization memorability, visualization evaluation methods, and their application to astrophysics and medicine.*

# VGTC Visualization Technical Achievement Award

- Chair: Tom Ertl

Committee: Sheelagh Carpendale      David Ebert      Eduard Gröller  
                 Kwan-Liu Ma      Catherine Plaisant      Heidrun Schumann

- Process

- 8 nominations
- COIs were noted and committee members did not vote in COI cases.
- First round each committee member ranked top 4 candidates emailed to Chair
- Chair sent anonymized / normalized (due to COIs) ranking to committee
- Second round involved committee discussion (Chair did not participate in the discussion due to COI) and a final ranking of the top candidates through private messages to the Chair during the zoom meeting.
- The Chair reported to the committee that unanimous consensus was reached.



## IEEE VGTC Visualization Technical Achievement Award

Daniel Weiskopf, VISUS,  
University of Stuttgart

*In recognition for his research  
on quantifiable approaches,  
which has led to deep, powerful,  
and influential contributions to  
the visualization of volumes,  
flows, ensembles, and graphs.*





# VGTC Visualization Lifetime Achievement Award

- Chair: Tom Ertl

Committee: Sheelagh Carpendale      David Ebert      Eduard Gröller  
                 Kwan-Liu Ma      Catherine Plaisant      Heidrun Schumann

- Process

- 6 nominations
- COIs were noted and committee members did not vote in COI cases.
- First round each committee member ranked top 4 candidates emailed to Chair
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## IEEE VGTC Visualization Lifetime Achievement Award

Jarke (Jack) J. van Wijk,  
Eindhoven University of Technology

*In recognition for his groundbreaking work in the field of data visualization, including fundamentally new approaches for trees, graphs, time series, and flows, for his extensive service to our community, and for his inspiring thoughts on the value of visualization.*



# VGTC Visualization Service Award

- Chair: Lisa Avila

Committee: Brian Fisher      Miriah Meyer      Jörn Kohlhammer  
                 Koji Koyamada      Kristi Potter      Giuseppe Santucci

- Process

- 7 nominations spanning service to VIS, EuroVis, PacificVis, TVCG and VGTC
- Pre-vote deliberations acknowledged the challenge of selecting just one candidate for the new award
- Consensus reached by first round of ranked order voting



## IEEE VGTC Visualization Service Award

Loretta Auvil, UIUC

*In recognition for the dedicated expertise and leadership she has provided to the visualization and visual analytics community through more than two decades of service as a finance chair of the VIS conference as well as her long-term service as finance chair of VGTC.*



# VGTC Visualization Academy Selection Committee

- **Chair: Arie Kaufman**

Committee:      Nan Cao      Jian Chen      Leila De Floriani  
                    Deborah Silver      John T. Stasko      Jarke J. van Wijk

- **Process**

- 12 nominations (including both web and committee nominations).
- COIs were noted and committee members did not vote in COI cases.
- First round: each committee member ranked top 4 candidates emailed to Chair.
- Chair sent anonymized / normalized (due to COIs) ranking to committee.
- Second round involved committee discussion and a final ranking through email to Chair.
- Consensus reached through email after zoom meeting.
- Diversity and inclusion was a high priority for committee. Committee successfully increased regional diversity and intensely reflected on the lack in other diversities.



# 2021 Visualization Academy Inductees



**Baoquan Chen**



**Issei Fujishiro**



**Klaus Mueller**



**Daniel Weiskopf**



# VIS 2022 Nominations

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Anyone can nominate

<https://tc.computer.org/vgtc/awards/vis-award-nominations/>

Please nominate candidates you believe should be recognized and who meet the award criteria

Visualization Dissertation Award

Visualization Significant New Researcher Award

Visualization Technical Achievement Award

Visualization Lifetime Achievement Award

Visualization Service Award

Visualization Academy

