# 2022 CREST-Jane Goodall Science Symposium Regional and CREST Special Awards

## Outstanding Project in Atmospheric Science

The Outstanding Project in Atmospheric Science, sponsored by the American Meteorological Society, awards a Certificate of Outstanding Achievement for creative scientific endeavor in the areas of atmospheric and related oceanic and hydrologic sciences. Each year the AMS publishes the names of science fair winners in the December issue of the *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*.

Rubi Martin, Claire Keith How do pollutants affect lichen?

## Outstanding Research in Psychology

The Outstanding Research in Psychology award, sponsored by the American Psychological Association, awards a certificate recognizing outstanding research in the category of behavioral and social sciences or any category related to psychology

Annamika Konkola Semantic change as an indicator of comprehensive and social understanding in the digital age

Sienna Reiner, Dylan Englund, Emily Newton What is social media's effect on teenagers brains?

## Most Outstanding Exhibit in Materials Science

The projects that receive Most Outstanding Exhibit in Materials Science award demonstrate exceptional use of materials-related concepts and some aspect of the materials paradigm: structure - processing - properties - and performance relationships. The winners of this award receive a certificate and ribbon.

Melania Kitsis Put a cap on single use plastic

Shea Lang, Dakota Blevins *Bullet race* 

#### Mu Alpha Theta Award

The Mu Alpha Theta Award certificate is for the individual or group project that demonstrates the most challenging, original, thorough, and creative investigation of a problem involving mathematics.

#### Evelyne Knight, Camryn Lau

Using carbon sequestration density in a mixed-conifer forest to model potential implications of wildfire and best practices for resource allocation

#### NASA Earth System Science Award

The NASA Earth System Science Award Certificate is given to the projects that best demonstrate insight into Earth's interconnected systems. The projects incorporate studies of the different components of Earth systems, their interactions and their evolution over time.

Evelyne Knight, Camryn Lau Using carbon sequestration density in a mixed-conifer forest to model potential implications of wildfire and best practices for resource allocation

Hector Baltazar Hydrogen revitalization

## NOAA Taking the Pulse of the Planet Award

The Taking the Pulse of the Planet award honors projects selected from among all the general award categories whose research emphasizes NOAA's mission of Science, Service, and Stewardship: "To understand and predict changes in climate, weather, oceans, and coasts, to share that knowledge and information with others, and to conserve and manage coastal and marine ecosystems and resources."

Katie Glynn, Ella Ganey How do different colors hold and reflect heat?

Sydney Taylor The detrimental effects of salinity changes on zooxanthellae health

#### Naval Excellence in Science and Engineering Award

The Naval Science and Engineering Award recognizes 4 exceptional projects. The Office of Naval Research is pleased to support the education of future scientists and engineers of America and presents each project with a \$50 gift certificate.

Lauren Gault Quantum computing and the traveling salesman problem

Charlie An How is the survival rate in ladybugs affected by natural deterrents?

Michael Bartholomew Which plant extracts kill the most bacteria?

Katerina Kitsis Climate change and teen's mental health

#### Ricoh Sustainable Development Award

Ricoh USA Certificate recognizes projects that demonstrate a technical innovation that offers the greatest potential for increasing our ability to grow environmentally friendly and socially responsible businesses.

Evyenia Kitsis Bioengineering sustainably made menstrual pads

Sophia Gordon, Ava Katz Maximization of plant microbial fuel cells for LED use on green roof

## In Vitro Biology

This award recognizes the best 11th grade students exhibiting in the areas of plant or animal in vitro biology or tissue culture. A formal letter of congratulations will be sent and publicity of the winner's achievement will be included in the society's online newsletter

Zhehan Jia, Faye House Antibiotic resistant bacteria in local waterways

Gannon Strand, Imo Udoh Coliphage T4r+ bacteriophage efficiency at killing bacteria colonies found on bathroom door handles

#### USAID

The US Agency for International Development is pleased to offer the Science Champion Award Certificate to recognize exceptional projects that have the potential to make an impact on addressing international development challenges.

Liam Ottum Space debris capture and defense system

Eden Pepos How thinopyrum intermedium could alter the future of wheat

## Metric System: Best Use of the SI

The Best Use of the Metric System award, sponsored by the US Metric Association, is a certificate to recognize the project that has used metric measures and expresses those measures consistently and correctly.

Aubrey Carter, Naomi Oltmans Effect of volatilized hydrocarbons on drosophila movement

Sara Henry Reproductive tumors of C. elegans at different temperatures

#### Stockholm Junior Water Prize

The Stockholm Junior Water Prize, sponsored by the Water Environment Federation, is awarded to the best water-related projects at the fair. It is aimed at enhancing the quality of life through improvement in water quality, water resource management or water and wastewater treatment. The recipients of this prize get a certificate, a free year-long membership to the WEF, and the opportunity to apply to the state level WEF competition.

Alexander Tye Beaver dam analogs

Cara-Lee Biggs, Claire Johnson Recycled plastic ice platforms

Isabella Buzzelli Could eelgrass save the ocean?

#### Corina Ounaphom, Aydan Pritchard Spirulina and how it can help our earth

### US Air Force

The Air Force Research Laboratory is proud to support science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. This certificate recognizes projects with Air Force applicability in science and technology.

Thomas Pierce, Drayton Nimz Cost-effective secondary mobility aid using tactile feedback to improve the spatial comprehension of the visually impaired in real-world situations

Thabela Fashu-Kanu, Abbie Jalili Synthetic food dye effect on Drosophila melanogaster

## Yale Science and Engineering Association

The Yale Science and Engineering Association sponsors a certificate and a medallion awarded to the best 11<sup>th</sup> grade computer science, engineering, physics, or chemistry project.

Cadence Tillman What diamond powder grit size is the most effective for use in thermal paste?

## Oregon Environmental Health Association

The Excellence in Scientific Research in Environmental Health award, sponsored by the Oregon Environmental Health Association, recognizes a student who helps promote environmental health and safety with a certificate and \$60.

Caroline Nielsen CO2 concentration in the classroom

## Best Project Display

The best digital project display board is organized, lacks errors, draws readers in, and is comprehensive. This award comes with \$25.

Lauren Gault Quantum computing and the traveling salesman problem

Jesse Hayworth, William Baarsch MOD-VFSystem

## Noteworthy Logbook

The Noteworthy Log book contains documentation of project's process from beginning to end (evidence the logbook has been used throughout the project). The logbook documents thought process of student through all phases of project. This award comes with \$25.

Uma Grover, Melinda Lin What are the effects of cyanobacteria blooms on the taxa diatomea?

## Green Chemistry Award

The Green Chemistry award recognizes a project that has addressed the area of sustainable chemistry with emphasis on reducing chemical waste or remediating hazardous substances. This award comes with \$25.

#### Grace Sato

DRINC - Design to Remove Impurities and Noxious Chemicals

#### **Promising Young Scientist**

To the 9th grade students who present thoughtful, well-conducted experiments that show promise of greater things to come. Each project that receives this award wins a \$25 check made possible thanks to generous support from community members.

Kalysta Caitlyn Castillo, Jillian Rutherford Tea for thought

Haruka Sakiyama Computer air-gap hacking prevention

Reed Jordan A plan for a successful habitation on the moon

Suhaani Garg A novel device that detects and regulates dog barking, a sign of dog anxiety

Cara-Lee Biggs, Claire Johnson *Recycled plastic ice platforms* 

Eric Golgotiu, Julia Golgotiu Impact of soil burn (wildfires) on early seedling performance

Alexander Denney Impacts of the pandemic lockdown on the myopia of teens

Aasha Patel Optogenetics & bacteria: utilizing natural genetic light recombinases to impact biofilm formation of E. coli

Matthew Tence How test structure contributes to stress

Miles Miller Carbon footprint - What is your carbon footprint?

#### Field Knowledge

To the students who indicate the best understanding of their topic and who can have related their work to other research in the field. This award comes with a \$25 cash prize provided by an anonymous community partner!

Jack Cunningham Arduino-based electrochemical impedance spectroscopy to model molten salt solution corrosion

## **Experimental Design**

The best experimental design award is given to the project which demonstrates the best practices of experimental design. This award comes with a \$25 cash prize provided by an anonymous community partner!

#### Isabella Scalise

Inhibiting Streptococcus mutans with antibacterial and antioxidant hibiscus polyphenolic compounds

### Most Creative Project Idea

The Most Creative Project award goes to a project that takes a unique approach to solving a scientific or technical problem and makes use of readily available materials to collect data or address a need. This award comes with a \$25 cash prize provided by an anonymous community partner!

#### Alana Ryan

Trapping microplastics with synthetic jellyfish mucus

## Intelligent Machines

The Intelligent Machines award recognizes a student who visually and verbally convey how their project, involving intelligent machines or artificial intelligence, will improve the human experience. This award comes with a \$25 cash prize provided by an anonymous community partner!

#### Anish Goswami

Autonomous disaster damage assessment using machine learning

## Paul Sherman Award

This award commemorates Paul Sherman, whom we lost to cancer in 2005. During his 24-year career at West Linn High School, he started both the Advanced Biology class and the boys' varsity soccer program. Although Paul felt he was not a natural teacher, his effort and creativity and driving, sustaining enthusiasm for science fooled them all. Paul was an honored teacher but that meant much less to him than sharing his love of learning with his students. He was known for doing special extra things like dressing up as various famous scientists who came and delivered "guest" lectures (and staying in character all day!), telling a joke of the day, leaping around the classroom demonstrating molecular action, and also always urging his students to have family time. The students who receive the Paul Sherman award exhibit passion and enthusiasm for their project and scientific and/or engineering research. The winners receive a \$25 gift card to Powell's Books.

Chase McQueeney Humor, what the heck?!

Emma Huberty, Evelyn Morlan The effect of music therapy on bipolar disorder

Alan Kolesnikov Procedural failures in agricultural field research

Angel Cruz Different qualities between burned soil and commercial soil

# Best Use of Statistical Analysis

The Best Use of Statistical Analysis Award recognizes a student who conveys an exceptional understanding and interpretation of the results of their statistical analyses. The project who receives this certificate also receives a brand new Texas Instruments-84 Graphing rechargeable calculator.

#### Aasha Patel

Optogenetics & bacteria: utilizing natural genetic light recombinases to impact biofilm formation of E. coli

Isabella Scalise Inhibiting Streptococcus mutans with antibacterial and antioxidant hibiscus polyphenolic compounds

## Best Multi-Disciplinary Research Award

The Best Multi-Disciplinary Research Award is given to a project that demonstrates outstanding achievement combining 2 or more distinct scientific/engineering disciplines, synthesizing these different perspectives to provide a more whole-system approach to a problem. The project that receives this award gets a certificate and \$125 thanks to an anonymous community member.

### Suhaani Garg

A novel device that detects and regulates dog barking, a sign of dog anxiety

#### Women in Engineering Award

The Women in Engineering Award is given to a project that demonstrates excellence in applied engineering in any field by a female student. This award comes with a \$125 gift certificate – we'd like to extend special thanks to the anonymous community partners who made this possible!

#### Aditi Bhaskar

Invisible blues novel device for detection and measurement of nitrogen traces in a soil sample

## That's Geography! Cultivating Empathy for the Earth Award

This award recognizes a project that focuses on issues of oceans, land, wildlife, human history & cultures, and human ingenuity; this project brings geographic concepts and skills to life in new, non-traditional ways and brings innovation to the space and place. This award comes with a certificate and \$100.

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#### **Biomedical Science Award**

This project, from within the biomedical and health sciences meets: "The Regeneron Way." The Regeneron way says Lead with science, take on big ideas, make it happen, be great together, and do what's right. This award comes with a certificate and \$500.

#### Victoria Garcia

The effects of b-12 and omega-3 fatty acids on the recovery of concussed drosophila melanogaster

## Oregon State University (\$2000, one time)

This Oregon State University scholarship is a one-time \$2,000 general scholarship to an exceptional project in any category.

Sophia Gordon, Ava Katz Maximization of plant microbial fuel cells for LED use on green roof

# Category Awards

## Behavioral and Social Sciences

#### **First Place**

Summer Tan, Julia Hernandez Gender and environmental stewardship

### Second Place

Grace Boyer, Lily Walsh Implicit bias throughout age groups

## Third Place

Ayushi Mallick Early diagnosis of epilepsy by assessing causes of cerebral hemispheric dominance

#### Honorable Mention

Kaylie Blodgett The relationship between personality and conscious thought

### Honorable Mention

Madeline Santoso Participant-based simulations in predicting behavior in an economic crisis

#### **Bioengineering and Materials Science**

#### **First Place**

Eden Pepos How thinopyrum intermedium could alter the future of wheat

## Second Place

Clover Marshall Finding the most affordable and sustainable moisturizer

#### Third Place

Shea Lang, Dakota Blevins Bullet race

## Honorable Mention

Reed Jordan A plan for a successful habitation on the moon

## Computer Sciences and Robotics

#### **First Place**

Anish Goswami Autonomous disaster damage assessment using machine learning

### Second Place

Sabrina Zhang Facial recognition system to help people with visual impairment or prosopagnosia

## Third Place

Lauren Gault Quantum computing and the traveling salesman problem

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## Electrical and Mechanical Engineering

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# Energy and Environmental Engineering

## First Place

Grace Sato DRINC water- Design to Remove Impurities and Noxious Chemicals from water

# Second Place

Sophia Gordon, Ava Katz Maximization of plant microbial fuel cells for LED use on green roof

#### Third Place

Cara-Lee Biggs, Claire Johnson *Recycled plastic ice platforms* 

#### Honorable Mention

Jackson VanGordon, Benjamin Garcia A solution to increase clean power production

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## Life Sciences

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#### Second Place

Zoe Black, Avery McCormick Plant effect on carbon dioxide levels in classrooms

## Third Place

Simone Del-Carlo Growing rice with and without azolla fern to determine if it affects rice yields in a typical indoor environment

## Honorable Mention

Charlie An How is the survival rate in ladybugs affected by natural deterrents?

## Medicine and Health Sciences

## First Place

Victoria Garcia The effects of B-12 and omega-3 fatty acids on the recovery of concussed drosophila melanogaster

### Second Place

Caroline Nielsen CO2 concentration in the classroom

## Third Place

Sanjana Mahesh Using alu insertion polymorphism to study heredity in human populations of oregon

#### Honorable Mention

Claire Sousley *Kidney health at home* 

## Chemistry

#### **First Place**

Oaklyn Hill Extracting quinones from diesel exhaust

## Second Place

Kalysta Caitlyn Castillo, Jillian Rutherford Tea for thought

## Third Place

Aaryan Ilanchelian, Siddharth Sundaram

## Advancing to the Northwest Science Expo

Summer Tan, Julia Hernandez Grace Boyer, Lily Walsh Ayushi Mallick **Kaylie Blodgett** Madeline Santoso Eden Pepos **Clover Marshall** Shea Lang, Dakota Blevins Anish Goswami Sabrina Zhang Lauren Gault Aditi Bhaskar Thomas Pierce, Drayton Nimz Jesse Hayworth, William Baarsch Grace Sato Sophia Gordon, Ava Katz Cara-Lee Biggs, Claire Johnson Uma Grover, Melinda Lin Evelyne Knight, Camryn Lau Sydney Taylor

Isabella Scalise Payton Heth Aasha Patel Aubrey Carter, Naomi Oltmans Zoe Black, Avery McCormick Simone Del-Carlo Victoria Garcia **Caroline Nielsen** Sanjana Mahesh Suhaani Garg Zhehan Jia, Faye House Claire Sousley Charlie An Isabella Buzzelli Jack Cunningham Angel Cruz Liam Ottum Jackson VanGordon, Benjamin Garcia Alana Ryan Oaklyn Hill

# 2022 Best of Fair

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