Awards in Neuroscience

Award for Education in Neuroscience
The Award for Education in Neuroscience recognizes individuals who have made outstanding contributions to neuroscience education and training. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Monday, November 5, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Bernice Grafstein Award for Outstanding Accomplishments in Mentoring
Support contributed by: Bernice Grafstein, PhD
The Bernice Grafstein Award is given to an individual who has shown dedication and success in mentoring female neuroscientists and facilitating their entry or retention in the field. The award will be presented during the Celebration of Women in Neuroscience Luncheon Tuesday, November 6, at noon in the Hilton Bayfront Hotel, Sapphire CD.

Chapter of the Year Award
The Chapter of the Year Award is given to an SfN chapter in recognition of its efforts to engage the local community in innovative activities that advance the mission of the Society for Neuroscience. Awardees are selected by the Global Membership Committee. The award will be presented at the Chapters Workshop and Reception Monday, November 5, at 6:45 p.m. in the Marriott Marquis, San Diego Ballroom A.

Donald B. Lindsley Prize in Behavioral Neuroscience
Support contributed by: The Grass Foundation
The Donald B. Lindsley Prize recognizes a young neuroscientist for his or her outstanding PhD thesis in the general area of behavioral neuroscience. The prize will be presented prior to the Albert and Ellen Grass Lecture Monday, November 5, at 3:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Jacob P. Waletzky Award
Support contributed by: The Waletzky Family
The Jacob P. Waletzky Award is given to a young scientist (within 15 years of his/her receiving a PhD or MD degree) who has conducted or plans to conduct independent research leading to significant conceptual and/or empirical contributions to the understanding of drug addiction. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Saturday, November 3, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Janett Rosenberg Trubatch Career Development Award
Support contributed by: The Trubatch Family
The Janett Rosenberg Career Development Award recognizes two individuals who have demonstrated originality and creativity in research and is intended to promote success during academic transitions prior to tenure. The awards will be presented during the Celebration of Women in Neuroscience Luncheon Tuesday, November 6, at noon in the Hilton Bayfront Hotel, Sapphire CD.

Julius Axelrod Prize
Support contributed by: Eli Lilly and Company Foundation
The Julius Axelrod Prize honors a scientist with distinguished achievements in neuropharmacology or a related area and exemplary efforts in mentoring young scientists. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Saturday, November 3, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Louise Hanson Marshall Special Recognition Award
The Louise Hanson Marshall Special Recognition Award honors an individual who has significantly promoted the professional development of women in neuroscience through teaching, organizational leadership, public advocacy, or other efforts not necessarily related to research. The award will be presented during the Celebration of Women in Neuroscience Luncheon Tuesday, November 6, at noon in the Hilton Bayfront Hotel, Sapphire CD.

Mika Salpeter Lifetime Achievement Award
The Mika Salpeter Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes an individual with outstanding career achievements in neuroscience who also has significantly promoted the professional advancement of women in neuroscience. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Monday, November 5, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20 and again recognized during the Celebration of Women in Neuroscience Luncheon Tuesday, November 6, at noon in the Hilton Bayfront Hotel, Sapphire CD.
Nemko Prize in Cellular or Molecular Neuroscience
Support contributed by: The Nemko Family
The Nemko Prize recognizes a young neuroscientist for his or her outstanding PhD thesis that advances the understanding of molecular, genetic, or cellular mechanisms underlying brain function, including higher function and cognition. The prize will be presented prior to the Albert and Ellen Grass Lecture Monday, November 5, at 3:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Next Generation Award
The Next Generation Award recognizes SFN chapter members who have made outstanding contributions to public communication, outreach, and education about neuroscience. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Tuesday, November 6, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Patricia Goldman-Rakic Hall of Honor
The Patricia Goldman-Rakic Hall of Honor is a posthumous award for a neuroscientist who pursued career excellence and exhibited dedication to the advancement of women in neuroscience. The award will be presented during the Celebration of Women in Neuroscience Luncheon Tuesday, November 6, at noon in the Hilton Bayfront Hotel, Sapphire CD.

Peter and Patricia Gruber International Research Award in Neuroscience
Support contributed by: The Gruber Foundation
The Peter and Patricia Gruber International Research Award in Neuroscience recognizes two young neuroscientists for outstanding research and educational pursuit in an international setting. The awards will be presented prior to the Peter and Patricia Gruber Lecture Sunday, November 4, at 2:30 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Ralph W. Gerard Prize in Neuroscience
The Ralph W. Gerard Prize, the highest recognition conferred by the Society, honors an outstanding scientist who has made significant contributions to neuroscience throughout his or her career. This prize is named for Ralph W. Gerard, who was instrumental in founding SFN and served as honorary president from 1970 until his death in 1974. The prize will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Sunday, November 4, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Science Educator Award
Support contributed by: The Dana Foundation
The Science Educator Award honors up to two outstanding neuroscientists who have made significant contributions to educating the public about neuroscience: one who conducts education activities full time, and/or one who devotes his or her time primarily to research while conducting outreach, policy, and education activities. The award will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Tuesday, November 6, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Swartz Prize for Theoretical and Computational Neuroscience
Support contributed by: The Swartz Foundation
The Swartz Prize honors an individual whose activities have produced a significant cumulative contribution to theoretical models or computational methods in neuroscience or who has made a particularly noteworthy recent advance in theoretical or computational neuroscience. The prize will be presented prior to the Presidential Special Lecture Saturday, November 3, at 5:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

Young Investigator Award
Support contributed by: Sunovion
The Young Investigator Award recognizes the outstanding achievements and contributions of a young neuroscientist who has demonstrated scholarly independence and received his or her advanced professional degree in the past ten years. The award will be presented prior to the Albert and Ellen Grass Lecture Monday, November 5, at 3:15 p.m. in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 20.

SFN Professional Development Awards
SFN/IBRO International Professional Development Awards
SFN/IBRO International Travel Awards recognize young investigators from developing countries. The awards are sponsored by SFN, and recipients are selected by the International Brain Research Organization (IBRO). This year, 34 awardees from ten countries will attend Neuroscience 2018.

SFN/JNS Professional Development Awards
Support contributed by: John Simpson
SFN and the Japan Neuroscience Society (JNS) sponsor a travel award exchange program allowing five trainees from Japan to attend the SFN annual meeting and five North American trainees who are members of SFN to attend the JNS meeting in Japan.

Trainee Professional Development Awards
Support contributed by: Amgen, Biogen, Burroughs Wellcome Fund, the Nancy Rutledge Zahniser Fund, Novartis Institutes for BioMedical Research, Sanoﬁ, Friends of SFN Fund, and the Society for Neuroscience
The Trainee Professional Development Award (TPDA) recognizes undergraduate and graduate students and postdoctoral fellows demonstrating scientific merit and excellence in research with the chance to present an abstract in a poster session, meet peers, network with senior scientists, and participate in learning opportunities at the annual meeting.