

Mass Technology Leadership Council Announces 2008 Technology Leadership Award Winners

Awards Recognize Outstanding Individuals and Corporations in Technology Development,
Implementation and Leadership

Boston, MA, October 24, 2008 —The Massachusetts Technology Leadership Council announced the winners of the 2008 Technology Leadership Awards at its 11th annual Awards Gala yesterday evening at the Sheraton Boston Hotel. These awards recognize the best and brightest technology innovators and leaders in the Bay State. Awards are given to companies and individuals that either develop or implement innovative technology solutions. The recognition highlights recent and significant contributions to companies or the broader industry.

“The winners of the 2008 Technology Leadership Awards highlight the creativity and success of companies and individuals that define and exemplify our technology community,” said Tom Hopcroft, executive director of the Mass Technology Leadership Council. “The awards are a reflection of Massachusetts’ tradition for innovation and leadership in the technology industry.”

The 2008 Technology Leadership Award winners include:

CORPORATE CATEGORIES:

WINNER:

Emerging Innovative Company of the Year

ZINK Imaging

Private Sector Company of the Year

Constant Contact

Public Sector Organization

UMass Online

INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES:

WINNER:

CEO of the Year

Robert Keane, VistaPrint

CIO of the Year

Rebecca Rhoads, Raytheon Company

CXO of the Year

Jon Pilkington, Metatomix, Inc.

CTO of the Year

Paul English, Kayak.com

*Investor of the Year - tie
Catalyst*

Jim Matheson, Flagship Ventures & John Simon, General
Partners

Innovator

Paul Graham, Y Combinator

Commonwealth Award Organization

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (accepted by Desh
Deshpande)

Commonwealth Award Individual

Paul Maeder, Highland Capital Partners

New this year the Council introduced the Commonwealth Award honoring the technology industry constants that drive innovation in Massachusetts.

Specifically, the Commonwealth Award recognizes the fundamental forces that have driven, are driving, and will drive our technology economy. Its purpose is to honor the leaders that contribute to the technology industry in overwhelming ways that are impossible to understate. The recipients represent the reasons why we are all working in technology, why we all thrive on innovation, and why we are all here tonight.

More than 160 high-quality nominations were generated this year. The Council's Board of Trustees reviewed the nominations and narrowed the field to 41 finalists. Over the summer, the Council held two executive networking sessions to give Council members, Trustees and the Selection Committee the opportunity to get to know the finalists. A select group of leaders and influencers in the Massachusetts technology community selected the 10 winners.

The Council's 2008 Awards Program Selection Committee included:

Don Dodge, Microsoft; Cindy Bouthot, UKTI; Doug Banks, Mass High Tech, Steve O'Leary, General Catalyst; Dean Petracca, PricewaterhouseCoopers; Martin Bradley, Invest Northern Ireland; Gary Beach, CIO Magazine.

Premier sponsors included Invest Northern Ireland, Jeffries, Microsoft, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Ropes&Gray, and SVB. Gold sponsors included Akamai, Businesswire and Raytheon.

For more information about the Council or the Awards, visit www.masstlc.org.

About The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc.

The Mass Technology Leadership Council, Inc. is the only association that addresses the critical leadership issues of innovative software and technology-enabled companies. It is dedicated to fostering entrepreneurship and promoting the success of companies that develop and deploy technology. The Council conducts educational programs; hosts industry events; facilitates networking; sponsors research; advocates in favor of technology policies that promote innovation, entrepreneurship and competition; and recognizes industry-leading companies and people.

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