

The Hans Severiens Award

Honoring individuals who advance angel investing

2012 Nomination Information

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Award Criteria

The Hans Severiens Award is presented annually to one person to recognize their work in advancing the field of angel investing. Previous winners include angel group founders and academic researchers. Last year's winner was James Geshwiler, managing director of CommonAngels in the Boston area. Nominations for the 2012 Award are currently being sought. Consideration for nomination is intentionally broad, from legislators to industry leaders to academia, in recognition of the broad reach and impact of angel investing. We are seeking your nomination of **individuals who have impacted angel investing and contributed time and intellect to the advancement and awareness of angel investing**. Individuals may be self or third-party nominated.

Honoring Dr. Severiens

In many ways, Hans Severiens was one of the fathers of angel investment organizations. He founded the Band of Angels in 1994, one of the first angel investment groups in the United States, and which is still one of the most active. Band of Angels has grown to 127 members in the Bay area who actively invest in early-stage companies. The Band completed 12 financings in 2010. Since inception, Band members have invested more than \$208 million in 241 deals. To date, 9 of these companies have achieved liquidity through IPOs and 45 have been acquired at a profit to the angel investors. Hans also gave of his time to help others understand the value of angel investing and the model used for Band of Angels; his mentoring activities encouraged and supported the establishment of other angel groups around the United States.

Award Recognition and Benefits

The recipient of the Hans Severiens Award will be recognized and honored at the 2012 Angel Capital Association Summit to be held March 6 to 8, 2012 in Austin Texas, with an awards dinner on the evening of March 7th. All expenses will be paid for the recipient's trip to the Summit. The recipient will be announced publicly in a press release, and information about the Hans Severiens Award and recipients will included on the ACA and ARI Web sites.

Award Timeline

February 17, 2012	Nominations due
February 24, 2012	Review of nominations and reference calling complete
February 24, 2012	Notification of winner (to recipient only)

Eligibility

The criteria for nominee qualification are intentionally broad in recognition of the diversity of individual contributions to promotion and support of angel investing. Membership in an Angel Capital Association member group is not required for consideration for the award, nor is it a factor in judging.

Judging Criteria

The Hans Severiens Award Committee consists of members of the ACA and ARI Boards of Directors and former winners of the award. Decisions of the Award Committee will be final. The Committee will make its selection based on a number of criteria including:

1. Depth and breadth of individual's impact on advancement of angel investing.
2. Leadership in bringing awareness to the vital role of angel investing in the support of entrepreneurial companies.
3. Contribution to the knowledge base on angel investing.
4. Respect and recognition by peers for contributions to the angel investment industry.
5. General accomplishments which have influenced or benefited the angel investment industry.

Nomination Application

To receive consideration for the award, all parts of the nomination form must be completed and received no later than February 17, 2012. Nominees may be self-nominated or nominated by another party.

Nomination forms may be submitted by the following mechanisms to Sarah Dickey:

1. In print form at:
Sarah Dickey
Angel Capital Association
10977 Granada Lane, Suite 103
Overland Park, KS 66211
2. Electronically at:
sdickey@angelcapitalassociation.org
3. By fax at:
(913) 894-4707

Previous Winners

Hans Severiens Award winners have included:

- 2005 – Bob Goff, Sierra Angels
- 2006 – Jeffrey Sohl, Center for Venture Research, University of New Hampshire
- 2007 – Luis Villalobos, Tech Coast Angels
- 2008 – Stephanie Hanbury-Brown, Golden Seeds
- 2009 – Bill Payne, Vegas Valley Angels and Frontier Angels
- 2010 – John May, New Vantage Group
- 2011 – James Geshwiler, CommonAngels

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Nomination Form

Name of nominee: _____

Contact information for nominee: Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Nominee's organizational affiliation, if any: _____

Name of nominator: _____

Contact information for nominator: Email: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Background on nominee: (This can include education, professional career, professional accomplishments, and copy of resume/bio is welcome)

Nominee is deserving of receipt of the Hans Severiens Award because....

Others who can speak to worthiness of nominee: (must have 2 references)

1. _____
Contact information: (phone and email): _____

2. _____
Contact information: (phone and email): _____