**The Hans Severiens Award**

***Honoring individuals who advance angel investing***

**2017 Nomination Information**

**Sponsored and presented by:**

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**Award Criteria**

Nominations are currently being sought for the 2017 Hans Severiens Award, presented annually to one person to recognize their work in advancing the field of angel investing. Consideration for nomination is intentionally broad and includes all influencers in North America, from legislators to industry leaders to academia, in recognition of the extensive impact of angel investing. The winner will be selected from among nominees **who have influenced 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**

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 continues as one of the most active in the world. Hans freely shared his wisdom in angel investing to help others understand the value of angel investing and the model he developed for the Band of Angels; his mentoring activities encouraged and supported the establishment of many other angel groups.

**Award Recognition and Benefits**

The recipient of the Hans Severiens Award will be recognized and honored at the 2017 Angel Capital Association Summit to be held April 26, 27, and 28 in San Francisco, at the awards ceremony on April 27th. All expenses will be paid for the recipient’s trip to the Summit. The recipient will be announced publicly in a press release on that date, and information about the Hans Severiens Award and recipients will included on the ACA Web site.

**Award Timeline**

March 15, 2017 Nominations deadline

March 25, 2017 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 in North America. Membership in the Angel Capital Association is not required for consideration for the award, nor is it a factor in judging.

**Judging Criteria**

The Hans Severiens Award Committee consists of 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 March 15, 2017. 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

1. Electronically at:

sdickey@angelcapitalassociation.org

1. By fax at:

(913) 894-4707

1. [Online Nomination Form](https://angelcapitalassociation.wufoo.com/forms/2017-hans-severiens-award-nomination/)

**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 Newby, Golden Seeds

2009 – Bill Payne, and Frontier Angels

2010 – John May, New Vantage Group

2011 – James Geshwiler, Catalyze Partners, LLC

2012 -- John Huston, Ohio TechAngels

2013 -- Robert Wiltbank, Galois Inc.

2014 – Jean Hammond, Launchpad Venture Group, Golden Seeds

2015 – Susan Preston, Seattle Angel Fund

2016 – Brad Feld, Foundry Group

**Hans Severiens Award**

**2017 Nomination Form**

Name of nominee: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact information for nominee: Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee’s organizational affiliation, if any: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of nominator: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact information for nominator: Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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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)

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Contact information: (phone and email):

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: (phone and email):

Please note that any additional supporting letters may be provided to Sarah Dickey, ACA Membership Director – sdickey@angelcapitalassociation.org. These must be received by the March 15 deadline.