

The Hans Severiens Award

Honoring individuals who advance angel investing

2021 Nomination Information

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ANGEL CAPITAL ASSOCIATION

Award Criteria

Nominations are currently being sought for the 2021 Hans Severiens Award, presented annually to a person or connected persons 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/s of the Hans Severiens Award will be recognized and honored at the 2021 Angel Capital Association Summit to be held May 4-6, 2021, at the awards ceremony during the event.

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 12, 2021	Nominations deadline
April 9, 2021	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 12, 2021.

Nominees may be self-nominated or nominated by another party.

[Please complete the 2021 ACA Hans Severiens Award Nomination \(linked\)](#)

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
2017 – Catherine Mott, BlueTree Allied Angels
2018 – David Verrill, Hub Angels Investment Group
2019 – Marianne Hudson, ACA Executive Director Emeritus
2020 – Alicia Robb, Next Wave Impact

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2021 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: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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):

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 12 deadline.