

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Monica Villafaña, Esq.
Director of Professional Programs
Great Minds in STEM
(323) 262-0997 Ext. 103(O)
mvillafana@greatmindsinstem.org

Great Minds in STEM™ Announces 2015 HENAAC Luminary Honorees

Great Minds in STEM™ is proud to announce the 2015 HENAAC Luminary Honorees. This year's class of 19 STEM role models, is comprised of leaders who represent professionals from industry, government, military and academic institutions. This recognition honors their efforts leading, collaborating and initiating key programs and research within their respective organizations.

Luminary awards will be presented during the 27th HENAAC STEM Career Conference, "Ignite, Inspire" taking place October 14-18, 2015 in Pasadena, CA.

Commander John F. Barresi, P.E.
Civil Engineering Unit Juneau
U.S. Coast Guard

Paloma A. Diaz Candelas
Lead Supplier Quality Engineer
Gas Turbines
Power & Water
General Electric Company

David D. Campaña
Vice President
Systems Development
Retirement Information Technology Solutions
Prudential Financial

Jose Renato Cartagena
Manager – Project Engineering
Walt Disney Parks and Resorts

Christina G. Deoja
Electrical Engineer/Test Director
Energy Systems Test Branch
NASA Johnson Space Center

Paco Steve Freire
F-16 Engineering Program Manager
Electronic Systems
Northrop Grumman Corporation

Martin B. Garcia Jr., Ph.D.
Manager III, Systems Engineering
Chief Engineer H-60
Space and Airborne Systems
Raytheon

Victor M. Garcia, BSME, P.E.
Project Manager
Protection and Restoration Office
Programs and Projects Management Division
New Orleans District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Judith C. Gomez, Ph.D.
Engineer IV
Buildings & Thermal Systems Center
National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Nicolas J. Huerta, Ph.D.
Research Scientist
National Energy Technology Laboratory
U.S. Department of Energy

Francisco A. Lopez-Linares, Ph.D.
Senior Chemist
Petroleum Material Characterization Unit
Chevron, Energy Technology Company

Maite Mandakovic
Director
SaaS Strategy and Platform
Product Management
IBM

1st Lt Arcenio M. Muniz
Executive Officer
Rocket Propulsion Division
Aerospace Systems Directorate
Air Force Research Laboratory
U.S. Air Force

Charles Parkhurst
Senior Analog IC Designer- HiRel
Texas Instruments

Ismael Rodriguez, P.E.
Chief Engineer
Cyber Security Solutions
Advanced Information Sharing Concepts
Boeing Defense, Space & Security
The Boeing Company

Fernando J. Rosario
North America Talent Acquisition
Diversity Lead
Accenture

Adriana S. Santos
Operations Leadership Development Program
Missiles and Fire Control
Lockheed Martin Corporation

Rosalyn H. Santos-Ebaugh, P.E.
Lead, Remediation Program Management
Environmental Assurance Branch
NASA Kennedy Space Center

Jennifer Tarin, Ph.D.
Operations Research Analyst
Cost Estimating & Analysis Directorate
Missile Defense Agency

For more information on the 27th Annual HENAAC STEM Career Conference or the Great Minds in STEM™ organization please visit www.greatmindsinstem.org.

Great Minds in STEM™ Vision

Be a national leader in keeping America technologically strong by promoting Science, Technology, Engineering and Math careers especially in underserved communities.