SIGADA

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2009 SIGAda Awards — Awarded at SIGAda 2009 in St. Petersburg, Florida on November 3rd.

Dear SIGAda Members:

In 1994, ACM SIGAda established an award program to recognize individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the Ada community and to SIGAda. The two categories of awards are:.

Outstanding Ada Community Contribution Award

For broad lasting contributions to Ada technology and usage

ACM SIGAda Distinguished Service Award

For exceptional contributions to SIGAda activities and products

SIGAda awards, in the form of the statuette of Lady Lovelace, pictured on the right, are typically presented at the SIGAda conference each year, with nominations closing shortly before the conference. SIGAda has established a process where nominees are solicited from the international community. An Award Committee processes the nominations and presents the names of the nominees along with the nominating statements to the previous recipients of the award. The previous recipients of the award can vote for those nominees who are most deserving of the award. The awards for 2009 were presented at the SIGAda 2009 Conference on November 3rd in St. Petersburg, Florida.

The **Outstanding Ada Community Contribution Award** was awarded to **Pascal Obry.**

The citation for Pascal reads:

- Pascal has been a long time user and promoter of Ada

- He is an active member of Ada-France

- He has contributed many outstanding Ada components like:
  - AWS for web applications in Ada
  - Template parser for generating web pages and practically anything that needs be dynamically generated
  - Ada Posix binding for windows
  - A multi-language style checker

The **ACM SIGAda Distinguished Service Award** is awarded to **Ricky E. "Ranger" Sward**

The citation for Ranger reads:

- As SIGAda Vice Chair for Meetings and Conferences, he was instrumental in organizing several highly technically and financially successful ACM SIGAda Conferences

- Elected as ACM SIGAda Chair due to his outstanding services to the SIGAda

- Conducted state-of-the-art popular Tutorials at SIGAda conferences
  - SOA

- Presented important papers at SIGAda conferences
  - SOA
  - Unmanned aircraft projects at the USAFA

- Retired from the USAF after 21 years of service

Ricky E. "Ranger" Sward (right) receiving his award from John McCormick

I would like to add my own thanks to Pascal and Ranger for their many contributions to SIGAda and the Ada community. I would also like to thank the members of the SIGAda Award Committee who made these presentations possible: Hal Hart, Ed Colbert, and Clyde Roby.

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