

“Last November, I traveled to Japan with a delegation of San Diego community leaders to participate in an annual celebration of innovators and their impact on the world. Our presence at the Kyoto Prize ceremony was a reminder to the international community that San Diego exemplifies the transformative power of ingenuity.



“[At the Symposium], San Diego takes center stage. When the three new Kyoto Prize laureates visit with us to deliver free public lectures at three local universities, they should cause us to reflect on how our region, like the laureates themselves, has defied the odds in its accomplishments. This is a story of inspiration that deserves to be told each year, especially to the talented students who have become an integral part of this now 11-year San Diego tradition.”

—David C. Doyle,
Chairman of the Kyoto Symposium Organization
“Kyoto Prize Symposium Celebrates Bold Ingenuity”
Commentary, San Diego Union-Tribune, March 14, 2012

NOTABLE PAST LAUREATES

ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY

John McCarthy, Computer Scientist, (1988)
Sydney Brenner, Molecular Biologist (1990)
Alan Curtis Kay, Computer Scientist (2004)
Richard Manning Karp, Computer Scientist (2008)
Isamu Akasaki, Semiconductor Scientist (2009)
Shinya Yamanaka, Stem Cell Scientist (2010)

BASIC SCIENCE

Jane Goodall, Primatologist (1990)
Mario Renato Capecchi, Molecular Geneticist (1996)
Walter Munk, Oceanographer (1999)
Peter & Rosemary Grant, Evolutionary Biologists (2009)
Rashid Sunyaev, Astrophysicist (2011)

ARTS AND PHILOSOPHY

Akira Kurosawa, Film Director (1994)
Roy Lichtenstein, Expressionist Painter (1995)
Tadao Ando, Architect (2002)
Pina Bausch, Dance-Theater Choreographer (2007)
William Kentridge, Visual Artist (2010)



Clockwise from Upper Left: Pina Bausch; Hiroo Kanamori; Shinya Yamanaka; 2011 Kyoto Presentation; William Kentridge.

“It is a privilege to host this prestigious event. Gala support funds the Scholarships and encourages these students to pursue a college education in the fields of the Kyoto Prize categories: Advanced Technology, Basic Sciences, and Arts and Philosophy. To date, the Kyoto Symposium Organization has awarded more than half-a-million dollars in scholarships.”

— Ian Campbell, General and Artistic Director,
San Diego Opera, and Master of Ceremonies,
Kyoto Prize Symposium Gala

“It’s not just another social event; it’s an intellectual event of international stature; and to be part of the Kyoto Prize adds depth to San Diego beyond promoting the sun and beaches.”

— The late Tom Fat,
Co-founder of Kyoto Symposium Organization – San Diego Magazine

“The Kyoto (Prize Symposium) Scholarships create stronger relationships and understanding between the U.S., Japan and Mexico. By rallying our community around this worthy cause, I believe the Kyoto Prize Symposium will become an enduring legacy for our region.”

— Malin Burnham,
Founding chairman of Kyoto Symposium Organization

“The annual Kyoto Prize ceremonies in Japan rank among the world’s most auspicious events for recognizing outstanding human achievement. The Kyoto Prize Symposium is an undeniable indicator of San Diego’s rising prominence on the world stage.”

— The Hon. Ron Roberts,
San Diego County Board of Supervisors

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“The Kyoto Prize Scholarships allow students to dream big and not just for themselves, but for society as a whole.”

— Bob Kelly, President, the San Diego Foundation

“Considered among the world’s leading awards for lifetime achievement”

— Elizabeth Malloy, San Diego Transcript

“It’s an icon that represents the entrepreneurial spirit that characterizes San Diego”

— Jessie Knight, EVP, Sempra Energy – San Diego Magazine

“The Kyoto (Prize) Symposium shines the international spotlight on San Diego and reaps long-term benefits for the community.”

— San Diego Magazine, April, 2006

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Dr. Kazuo Inamori

San Diego's Kyoto Prize Symposium is a three-day celebration of the lives and works of those receiving the Kyoto Prize, Japan's highest private award for lifetime achievement. The Kyoto Symposium Organization is a California non-profit corporation dedicated to promoting education and expanding the mission throughout North America of the Inamori Foundation, which awards the Kyoto Prizes.

The Symposium lectures by the Kyoto Prize Laureates are hosted by San Diego's major universities and are open to the public at no charge. This prestigious event provides an opportunity for an international audience to learn about the achievements of the Laureates and to discuss the relationship between their esteemed work and the common quest for peace and harmony among peoples, cultures, and nations.

Dr. Kazuo Inamori, Founder and President of the Inamori Foundation, established the Kyoto Prizes in 1984, the year that marked the 25th anniversary of his launch of the Kyocera Corporation. In announcing the new prizes, Dr. Inamori said:

"It has been my lifelong belief that a human being has no higher calling than to strive for the greater good of humanity and the world. In keeping with this conviction, I have decided on this occasion to create the Kyoto Prize as a means of recognizing persons who have made outstanding contributions to the progress of science, the advancement of civilization, and the enrichment and elevation of the human spirit."

Dr. Inamori has become an esteemed friend and a source of inspiration to the San Diego community. Dr. Inamori attends each year's Kyoto Symposium in San Diego.



President Elliot Hirshman, Ph.D.
San Diego State University

We are pleased the Inamori Foundation has honored San Diego with the Kyoto Prize Symposium. What makes our support of this event meaningful is a common mission that San Diego State University shares with the Kyoto Prize and our co-hosts. We all exist to promote human growth and development through a balanced and holistic philosophy that spans cultures.



Chancellor (Ret.) Marye Anne Fox, Ph.D.
University of California, San Diego

Our mission of higher education, research and public service is consistent with Dr. Inamori's belief that there is no higher calling than to work for the greater good of all humankind. We are grateful to the Inamori Foundation for promoting global understanding by honoring those who contribute greatly to scientific progress, cultural advancement and human betterment.



President Mary E. Lyons, Ph.D.
University of San Diego

Together with our colleagues at UC San Diego, San Diego State University, and Point Loma Nazarene University, we welcome the opportunity to present the outstanding individuals who are honored for their life's work by the Inamori Foundation. We congratulate the Laureates and scholarship winners, who will carry forward the quest for knowledge.



President Bob Brower, Ph.D.
Point Loma Nazarene University

We are inspired and motivated by the great work of the Laureates. The Inamori Foundation's belief in balance between scientific development and spiritual depth also resonates deeply with Point Loma Nazarene University. We are honored to pursue a better future for our world in partnership with our fellow host universities, the Kyoto Prize Laureates, and the Inamori Foundation.

KYOTO PRIZE SYMPOSIUM SCHOLARSHIPS

The Kyoto Prize Symposium Scholarships, administered through The San Diego Foundation, are awarded to San Diego/Tijuana-area high school seniors who have been inspired by one of the three annual Kyoto Prize Laureates in Advanced Technology, Basic Sciences, or Arts and Philosophy. Proceeds from the annual gala, *The Kyoto Prize: "Celebrating Outstanding Lifetime Achievement"*, fund the Kyoto Prize Symposium Scholarships and serve to inspire students and the community.

STUDENT TESTIMONIALS

Ian Goodfellow, Recipient

2004 Kyoto Scholarship for Advanced Technology

"The Kyoto Scholarship was very helpful in paying for my undergraduate studies. Also, I'm doing more or less what I wrote about wanting to do in my essay for the scholarship. I said I was interested in artificial intelligence because it allows computers to learn to do things that humans don't even know how to do... My work on perceptual inference has a lot of applications for learning to do perception with sensors that humans are completely unfamiliar with, like laser depth scans."

Efan Wu, Recipient

2006 Kyoto Scholarship for Arts and Philosophy

"I received the Kyoto Scholarship in 2006, and I graduated from Yale in 2010. I am grateful to the Kyoto Foundation for awarding me the scholarship, and my involvement in public interest work since receiving the scholarship has remained unchanged. At Yale, I participated in a number of civic-oriented activities. I was a co-director of the Yale Hunger and Homelessness Action Project (YHHAP), an umbrella organization... that works to alleviate hunger and homelessness in the New Haven community through direct service, advocacy, fundraising, and awareness campaigns."

Taylor Yi, Recipient

2007 Kyoto Scholarship for Advanced Technology

"I am very appreciative of the Kyoto scholarship and what it has been able to do for me. For one, it was a very significant amount of money and made a definite impact on my family's choice/ability to send me to Harvard, despite the great financial cost. Harvard, and as a result, the Kyoto Scholarship, has definitely opened up doors for me not only for my future, but also for my understanding of the world around me."

Kristina Bohl, Recipient

2009 Kyoto Scholarship for Advanced Technology

"I am so grateful for the inspiration and generous support that the Kyoto Scholarship provided me which have enabled me to pursue my wildest dreams—at Stanford, in solar energy technology, and in rocket science. The Kyoto Symposium also motivated me to pursue a professional degree and to expose myself to cutting-edge technology around the world... I am very excited to see where my career path takes me, and I am so thankful for those who have made this journey possible."



2011 Kyoto Prize Scholarship Recipients



2010 Kyoto Prize Scholarship Recipients with Ian Campbell

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