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Michael H. Bruno TAGA Award For Outstanding Contributions to the Graphic Arts Industry

The Technical Association of the Graphic Arts is an international organization of technologists, scientists, technical, and production personnel in the printing and allied industries, as well as students in accredited graphic arts programs. It was established in 1948 as a forum for reporting on new research and technology in the graphic arts. It has a long history of distinguished annual conferences at which technical papers on graphic arts subjects are presented. The annual volumes of TAGA *Proceedings* are the published records of these papers by leading technical and scientific men and women who have contributed immeasurably to the progress of printing technology and graphic science throughout the world.

The Board of Directors of TAGA hereby recognizes a professional with a distinguished career to receive the 2019 TAGA Michael

H. Bruno Award in appreciation of his dedicated service and contributions to the advancement of graphic arts internationally.

Award

As evidence of this honor, the awardee will receive the Michael H. Bruno Award. This award is named for the late Michael H. Bruno. Printing was his vocation for his entire working life. He was a kind and gentle man who was passionate about printing and the people who produced it. In his own words, "I had the good fortune to be where the action was during the most active period since printing was invented." We, in turn, were very fortunate to know Michael. Everyone who knew him or knew of him respected him and his incredible knowledge of the industry. What a wonderful legacy to leave for the world.

Presented here is a summary of the accomplishments of this year's distinguished recipient of the Michael H. Bruno Award.



2019 Bruno Award Recipient: Dr. Don P. Duncan

Don Duncan is a native Texan and received his Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry from MIT in 1978. He then took a job as a research chemist with Westvaco Corporation and spent 18 years there, working in product development for rosin-based resins for printing inks and adhesives and spending the last 6 years of that time in an operating division as Technical Director.



In 1996 he joined Wikoff

Color Corporation, a multinational manufacturer of printing inks, as Director of Research. There, he managed an 18-person product development group creating printing inks and graphic arts coatings for lithography, flexography, gravure, and inkjet using UV, EB, water-based, solvent-based, and oil-based technologies. In addition to being the technical leader of the company, he was also the entrepeneur that started Wikoff in the inkjet business.

During his time with Wikoff, he twice served on the board of directors for RadTech North America and was the president of RadTech from 2012-2014. He also served on the board of directors for TAGA and was the president of TAGA for the same two year period, the only person to serve as president of both organizations at all, much less at the same time. He has served on the board of directors for the Sustainable Green Printing (SGP) Partnership and was also an active member of technical committees at ASTM and the Flexographic Technical Association.



Don travels around the world to speak at industry association meetings as well as with customers in private settings. He is known to have a thorough understanding of most printing ink technologies as well as being able to explain complex concepts clearly.

Don retired from Wikoff Color in December of 2016 after 20 years of service there. Since then he has spent his time as the owner/operator of Halcyon Hills Photography, a studio photography business founded in 2010, plus a second brand, Don Porter Photography, which covers only the fashion industry. Don has been the lead photographer for Charlotte Fashion Week since 2015 and has his fashion photos published in top fashion magazines.



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