HONORS AND AWARDS

November, 2011: Janet N. Zadina, Ph.D.
Recipient of SfN Science Educator Award

SOCIETY FOR NEUROSCIENCE SCIENCE EDUCATOR AWARD

The Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Science Educator Award honors an outstanding neuroscientist who has made significant contributions to educating the public about neuroscience.

The Award, presented by the SfN President at the Annual Meeting in Washington DC on November 11, 2011, included a $5000 honorarium and opportunity to write a feature commentary on science education in The Journal of Neuroscience, the premier journal for Neuroscience.

The award committee cited the following:

"Janet Zadina has demonstrated a profound commitment to the emerging field of neuroeducation and has affected the lives of teachers and students on both domestic and international levels. She began her career in education and transitioned into neuroscience after developing an interest in MRI studies of dyslexia. Her efforts include developing resources to debunk common misconceptions about the brain, and keeping educators informed about credible brain research. Zadina also co-founded the Butterfly Project, a program intended to help teachers affected by natural disasters. She is currently an adjunct assistant professor at Tulane University School of Medicine."

ABOUT SOCIETY FOR NEUROSCIENCE

The Society for Neuroscience is a nonprofit membership organization of scientists and physicians who study the brain and nervous system. Since its inception in 1969, the Society has grown from 500 members to over 40,000. Today, SfN is the world's largest organization of scientists and physicians devoted to advancing understanding of the brain and nervous system. The SfN annual meeting is the premier venue for neuroscientists from around the world to debut cutting-edge research on the brain and nervous system. It is the world's largest source of emerging news about brain science and health.
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FACTS

Tulane University is one of the nation’s most prestigious educational and research institutions. Founded in 1834 in New Orleans, Tulane offers degrees in architecture, business, law, liberal arts, medicine, public health and tropical medicine, the sciences and engineering, and social work.

MOTTO

Non sibi, sed suum, translated as "not for one's self, but for one's own."

FOUNDING DATES

- 1834, as Medical College of Louisiana
- 1847, Medical College merges with University of Louisiana
- 1884, Louisiana Legislature authorizes the Tulane Educational Fund to reorganize the University of Louisiana as a private institution and rename it Tulane University of Louisiana

Tulane History

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Did You Know?

Janet Zadina, a neuroscientist and adjunct associate professor at Tulane's School of Medicine, received the 2011 Science Educator of the Year Award from the Society for Neurosciences.

Only in New Orleans. Only at Tulane.
On February 1, 2012 Dr. Zadina gave a prestigious TEDx talk. Her video will be available on the TED site in the future, possibly by Fall, 2012. The title was Using Brain Research to Energize School Reform.
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We believe passionately in the power of ideas to change attitudes, lives and ultimately the world. So we're building here a clearinghouse that offers free knowledge and inspiration from the world's most inspired thinkers, and also a community of curious souls to engage with ideas and each other.

The TEDx program gives communities, organizations and individuals the opportunity to stimulate dialogue through TED-like experiences at the local level. TEDx events are planned and coordinated independently.
The Council of Learning Assistance and Developmental Education Associations (CLADEA) mission is “to foster mutual support among national and international organizations dedicated to postsecondary learning assistance or developmental education.” CLADEA member associations—Association for the Tutoring Profession (ATP), College Reading and Learning Association (CRLA), National Association for Developmental Education (NADE), National Center for Developmental Education (NCDE), and National College Learning Association (NCLCA)—are pleased to announce that Dr. Janet Zadina has been selected as a 2010 CLADEA Academic Fellow.

Selection as a CLADEA Fellow represents the highest honor conferred upon professionals in learning assistance, tutoring, and developmental education. The title of Academic Fellow is a prestigious recognition of an academician’s leadership, research, and publications in his or her field of expertise. Dr. Zadina is now one of a small group of 40 of the estimated 100,000 developmental educators, tutoring, and learning assistance professionals selected for this recognition of lifetime contributions and national and international influence.

One hallmark of a profession is that it formally recognizes, endorses, and rewards those leaders who have made outstanding contributions. The most commendable members of a profession are awarded the title of “Fellow” in fields such as medicine, science, psychology and education. It is important for our members and the public to readily identify individuals that have made the most lasting contributions. Naming CLADEA Fellows is our way of formally recognizing excellence of our very best practitioners, policy makers, researchers, teachers, and administrators.

Not only have these individuals exhibited outstanding leadership within our field, they have made long-lasting contributions, transforming our profession for the betterment of all. And most importantly, they have freely, and without personal gain—shared their expertise with others.

A CLADEA Fellow is a person to whom leaders turn to for ideas, advice and counsel. We know them best as our top mentors— or if you will, the mentors of our mentors. The CLADEA Fellows program was originally conceived by the distinguished researcher and scholar Dr. Martha Maxwell. With approximately 100,000 educators within our field—to date only 41 individuals have received this most impressive distinction. Today, we add three more names to our list. Individuals selected as Fellows must be nominated by a current Fellow of a member association. Once nominated, CLADEA Fellows review each nominee’s lifetime accomplishments and then vote to determine who will be selected as a new Fellow.
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TEDx Talk, Enola, 2012
Science Educator Award, Society for Neuroscience, 2011
Fellow, Council of Learning Assistance and Developmental Education Associations (CLADEA), 2010
Outstanding Dissertation Award for Region C, Phi Delta Kappa International, 2004
Distinguished Dissertation Award, College of Education and Human Development, University of New Orleans, 2004 (for 2003)
Outstanding Doctoral Graduate, Dept. of Curriculum and Instruction Faculty Award, University of New Orleans, 2004
Distinguished Finalist for the Outstanding Dissertation of the Year Award, International Reading Association (IRA), 2004
Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society, University of New Orleans
Phi Delta Kappa Honor Society, University of New Orleans
Principal Leadership Center of New Orleans research grant award, 2001
Grant reviewer, Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE), U.S. Dept. of Education, 2000