



## American Indian Alumni Tanner Award

The Tanner Award is given annually to a University of Arizona American Indian graduate who demonstrates significant success in their professional career. Nominees must describe personal contributions that provide a direct benefit to American Indian communities. Named after Clara Lee and John Tanner, who exhibited long-term devotion to the on-campus American Indian community, the Tanner Award continues to be the highest honor for American Indian alumni of the University of Arizona. AIA granted the first Tanner Award in 1981 and continues to recognize a new Tanner recipient each year. The Tanner recipient receives a commemorative award and joins the esteemed group of Tanner winners that spans three decades.

- 1981 **Christine Garcia** (Tohono O'odham), B.A.
- 1982 **Bahe Billy** (Navajo), M.S. Agricultural Chemistry and Soils; Ph.D.
- 1983 **Victoria Mary Stevens** (Apache), B.S. Microbiology; M.D.
- 1984 **Samuel H. Thomas** (Gila River), B.S.
- 1984 **Reverend Roe B. Lewis** (Pima, Tohono O'odham)
- 1985 **Lucille J. Watahomigie** (Hualapai), M.A. Education
- 1986 **Dottie Hobson** (Navajo), UA B.A. Elementary Education
- 1987 **Anita Bradley Pfeiffer** (Navajo), undergraduate and graduate studies
- 1988 **Trudie Narum** (Jemez/Navajo), Nursing Degree and M.A. in Education and Health
- 1989 **Victor Masayesva, Jr.** (Hopi), Post-graduate work at UA
- 1990 **Albert Alvarez** (Tohono O'odham), UA O'odham Linguistic Research
- 1991 **Raymond Endfield, Jr.** (White Mountain Apache), UA Bachelor's in Business Economics,
- 1992 **Alice Paul** (Tohono O'odham), B.A.; M.A. Elementary Education; Ph.D. Education
- 1993 **Reuben T. Howard** (Pascua Yaqui)
- 1994 **Margaret Sprague** (Ojibway), M.A. Education Administration; Ph.D. Higher Education Administration
- 1995 **Harold L. Doka** (Yavapai), B.S. Animal Science
- 1996 **Ofelia Zepeda** (Tohono O'odham); B.A., M.A., Ph.D. Linguistics
- 1997 **Robert Begay** (Navajo), B.S. Soil Science and Range Management
- 1998 **Emmett Francis** (Navajo), B.S. Public Administration; M.A. Urban Planning
- 1999 **Wayne Taylor, Jr.** (Hopi), B.A. General Studies/Economic Development
- 2000 **Emory Sekaquaptewa** (Hopi), J.D.
- 2001 **Derrick Watchman** (Navajo), UA Master's in Business
- 2002 **Dyron Murphy** (Navajo), B.S. Architecture
- 2003 **Leland Leonard** (Navajo), UA Bachelor's degree
- 2004 **Martha Sorrell Guy** (Navajo), B.A., Elementary and Special Education
- 2005 **John Lewis**
- 2006/07 **Vivian Juan Saunders** (Tohono O'odham), M A American Indian Studies 1992