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**HENAAC'S 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY STEM AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED**

HENAAC is proud to announce the 2008 Award Winners in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. For twenty years, HENAAC has recognized the achievements of America's best and brightest engineers and scientists within the Hispanic community. They were selected by the HENAAC Selection Committee which is comprised of representatives from industry, government, military and academic institutions. The Selection Committee convened in Houston, TX on July 18, 2008, and was chaired by Dr. Sallie Keller-McNulty, Dean of the George R. Brown School of Engineering at Rice University, HENAAC's 2008 Conference Academic Host. The winners will be honored at the HENAAC Awards Show Gala on October 11, 2008, and throughout other events at the Hilton Americas Hotel in Houston, TX during the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Career Conference & Awards Show, October 9-12, 2008.

**Hispanic Engineer of the Year**

Ellen Ochoa, Ph.D.  
Deputy Director  
NASA Johnson Space Center

**Executive Excellence**

—*Corporate*—  
Thaddeus Arroyo  
Chief Information Officer  
AT&T

—*Military*—  
Rear Admiral Patrick H. Brady  
Deputy Director, Submarine Warfare Division (N87B)  
Commander  
Naval Undersea Warfare Center

**Chairman's Award**

Alvio S. Barrios  
President, Caribbean and Latin America  
Nortel

**Pioneer Award**

Ronald W. Moya  
Security Systems and Technology Director  
Center 6400  
Sandia National Laboratories

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## Outstanding Technical Achievement

—*National Laboratory*—  
Miguel A. Contreras, Ph.D.  
Senior Scientist II and Supervisor  
National Renewable Energy Laboratory

—*Corporate*—  
Alicia Abella, Ph.D.  
Research Executive Director, AT&T Labs-Research  
AT&T

## Education

Nayda G. Santiago-Santiago, Ph.D., P.E.  
Associate Professor, Electrical and Computer  
Engineering Department  
University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez

## Professional Achievement

—*Corporate*—  
Lisa G. Ramos  
GPS III Vehicle Manager and Deputy Director  
Lockheed Martin

—*Military*—  
Luis D. Villarreal  
Industrial Capabilities and Warstopper Program Manager  
Defense Logistics Agency, DOD

## Most Promising Engineer

—*Graduate*—  
Robinson E. Pino, Ph.D.  
Advisory Engineer/Scientist Development  
IBM

Wilmel Varela-Ortiz  
Research Civil Engineer  
U.S. Army Engineer R&D Center  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

## Santiago Rodriguez Diversity Award

David Gregory (Greg) Moore  
North Texas Regional Diversity Manager  
Raytheon

## Information Technology

Raul Cosio  
STG Vice President Technical Sales & Support  
IBM

## Civil Engineering

Jose M. Rosado  
Chief, Antilles Construction Office  
Jacksonville District  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

## Lifetime Achievement

Alfredo Larre  
Project Director for Polyurethanes, Specialty  
Chemicals, Licensing, and Oil & Gas  
The Dow Chemical Company

—*Government*—  
Adabelle Narvaez-Legeza  
Chief Engineer, Ares 1-X Program  
NASA Glenn Research Center

—*Undergraduate*—  
Noramay J. Cadena  
Build Integration 747/767/777 ; Hardware Manager  
The Boeing Company

Carlos L. Enllanche  
Mechanical Turnaround Engineering Supervisor  
Chevron

## Community Service

Yamaris Soto  
Senior Multi Discipline Engineer T3  
Northrop Grumman Corporation