

AFTA AWARDS 1981-2020

1981 Posthumous Distinguished Achievement in Family Therapy

Gregory Bateson
Milton Erickson

Distinguished Achievement in Family Therapy

Edgar Auerswald C.F. Midelfort
Ivan Boszormenyi-Nagy Virginia Satir
Murray Bowen John Spiegel
Jay Haley Carl Whitaker

Distinguished Achievement in Family Therapy Research

Denver Group: Carol DeYoung, Kalman Flomenhaft, David Kaplan,
Donald Langsley, Pavel Machotka, Frank Pittman

Nathan Epstein
Alan Gurman
Mental Research Institution (MRI) Group: Arthur Bodin, Richard Fisch,
Jules Riskin, Carlos Sluzki,
Paul Watzlawick, John Weakland

Margaret Singer
Lyman Wynne

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy Research

Peter Steinglass

1982 Distinguished Professional Contribution to Family Therapy

Donald Bloch

Distinguished Achievement in Family Therapy

Salvador Minuchin

Distinguished Achievement in Family Therapy Research

David Reiss
Bernice Rosman

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Milan Group: Luigi Boscolo, Gianfranco Cecchin, Mara Palazzoli, Guiliana Prata

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy Research

Timberlawn Group: Robert Beavers, John Gossett, Jerry Lewis, Virginia Phillips

Special Award for Contribution to Founding of Association & as its First President

Murray Bowen

1983 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy

Don Jackson (Posthumous)

Clifford Sager
Israel Zwerling

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research

David Olson
Robert Weiss

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Lynn Hoffman

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy Research

Neil Jacobson

1984 Special Tribute to:

Nathan Ackerman (Posthumous)

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy

James Framo

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research

Gerald Patterson

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Norman Paul

1985 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy

Carol Anderson

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research

Michael Goldstein

Pioneering Contribution to Family Therapy

Alice Cornelison (Posthumous)
Stephen Fleck
Theodore Lidz

1986 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy

Women's Project: Betty Carter, Peggy Papp, Olga Silverstein
Marianne Walters

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research

James Alexander

Pioneering Contribution to Family Therapy

Multiple Impact Group: Harold Goolishian, Eugene MacDonald,
Robert MacGregor, Agnes Ritchie, Frank Schuster,
Alberto Serrano

- 1987 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Carl Whitaker
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research
Peter Steinglass
- 1988 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Monica McGoldrick
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research
Constance Ahrons
- 1989 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Lyman Wynne
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Robert Beavers
- 1990 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory & Practice
Evan Imber-Black
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Research
Pauline Boss
- Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy & Systems Change in the Public Sector
Donald Brown
- 1991 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Peggy Papp
- Pioneering Contribution to the Application of Family Systems Theory and Practice
Nancy Boyd-Franklin
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Linda Bennett, Steven Wolin
- 1992 Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy and Systems Change
Ackerman Aids Family Project: Joan Gilbert, Laurie Kaplan, Ruth Mohr,
Carol O'Connor, John Patten, Joe Rosenthal,
Sippio Small, Nellie Vittegas,
Gillian Walker
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Harry Aponte

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Mavis Hetherington

1993 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Rachel Hare-Mustin

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Gayla Margolin

Special Contribution to Cultural Diversity as Researcher, Clinical Theorist and Mentor

Jose Szapocznik

Cultural And Economic Diversity Award

Luis Zayas

Honorees: Rhea Almeida
Peter Chang
Freida Hopkins
Carey Wright

1994 Innovative Contributions to the Field of Family Therapy

Lois Braverman

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research

John Gottman

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Braulio Montalvo

Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Matthew Mock

1995 Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Jose Luis Flores

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Harriette McAdoo

Innovative Contribution to the Field of Family Therapy

Richard Simon

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Froma Walsh

- 1996 Innovative Contribution to Family Research
Linda Burton
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Virginia Goldner
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Research
Howard Liddle
- Cultural and Economic Diversity Award
Ramon Rojano
- 1997 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Celia Falicov
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Duncan Stanton
- Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy
Jaime Inclan
- The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award
Deniece Reid
- 1998 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Betty Carter
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Anne Kazak
- Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy
Robert Mark and Buddy Portugal
- Special Award for Meritorious Service to the Field of Family Therapy
Kitty La Perriere
- The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award
Marietta Collins
- 1999 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Michael White
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Carolyn and Philip Cowan
- Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy
Founding Members of the Public Conversations Project:
Corky Becker, Laura Chasin, Richard Chasin

Margaret McCarthy Herzig, Sallyann Roth, Robert Stains, Jr.

Meritorious Service and Commitment to the American Family Therapy Academy

Morris Taggart

The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Lillian Comas-Díaz

2000 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Neil Jacobson

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Joan Patterson

Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy

Susan McDaniel

Meritorious Service to the Field of Family Therapy

Carlos Sluzki

The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

William Turner

2001 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

William Pinsof

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Robert-Jay Green

Innovative Contributions to Family Therapy

Judith Myers Avis

Lifetime Achievement Award

Elaine Pinderhughes

The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Paulette Moore Hines

2002 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Kaethe Weingarten

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Ira Glick

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Gladis D'Avila Brun

Lifetime Achievement Award

Marianne Walters

The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Maria Root

2003 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Rosmarie Welter-Enderlin

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

William R. McFarlane

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

C. Christian Beels

Lifetime Achievement Award

Olga Silverstein

The Cultural and Economic Diversity Award

Hugo Kamy

2004 Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Making Families Safe for Children: The Incest Project - Marcia Sheinberg,
Peter Fraenkel, Fiona True

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Daniel Santisteban

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Laura Markowitz

Lifetime Achievement Award

Ann Hartman

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Martha Adams Sullivan

2005 Lifetime Achievement Award

Herta A. Guttman

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Lee Combrinck-Graham

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Susan M. Johnson

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Kenneth V. Hardy

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Rhea V. Almeida

Distinguished Service to the American Family Therapy Academy

Anne C. Bernstein

2006 Lifetime Achievement Award

Karl Tomm

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Eliana Gil

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Jerry Gale

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Nydia Garcia-Preto

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

John Rolland

Distinguished Contribution to the American Family Therapy Academy

Jay and Joyce Lappin

2007 Lifetime Achievement Award

Irene & Herbert Goldenberg

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

David Epston

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Sandra M. Stith

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

The "Just Therapy" Team: Flora Tuhaka, Warihi (Wally) Campbell,
Taimalieutu Kiwi Tamasese, Charles Waldegrave

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Stephen Patrick Madigan

2008 Lifetime Achievement Award

Don-David Lusteran

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Harlene Anderson

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Howard Markman

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Jack Saul

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Patricia Minuchin

2009 Lifetime Achievement Award

Richard Chasin

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Charles Figley

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Guillermo Bernal

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Marlene Watson

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Jill Freedman and Gene Combs

2010 Lifetime Achievement Award

Ellen Berman

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Douglas Sprenkle

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Myrna (Micki) Friedlander and Laurie Heatherington

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Hinda Winawer and Norbert Wetzel

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Judith Landau

2011 Lifetime Achievement Award

Joan Laird

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Janine Roberts

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Roxana Llerena-Quinn

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Beatrice Wood

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Lorraine Wright, Wendy Watson & Janice Bell

Early Career Award

Jean Malpas

Distinguished Contribution to the American Family Therapy Academy

John Lawless

2012 Lifetime Achievement Award

Victoria Dickerson

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Laurie MacKinnon

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Jorge Colapinto

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Marion Forgatch

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Peter Fraenkel

Early Career Award

Amy Tuttle

2013 Lifetime Achievement Award

Braulio Montalvo

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

William Madsen

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Pilar Hernandez-Wolfe

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Scott Henggeler

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Arlene Istar Lev

Early Career Award

Jose Ruben Parra-Cardona

2014 Lifetime Achievement Award

Jay Lebow

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Wai-Yung Lee

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
thandiwe Dee Watts-Jones

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Ivan Eisler

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy
Marsha Mirkin

Early Career Award
Andraé Brown

Distinguished Contribution to the American Family Therapy Academy
Jane Ariel

2015 Lifetime Achievement Award
Fred Piercy

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Cheryl Storm & Thomas Todd

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
CharlesEtta Sutton

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Michael Rohrbaugh & Varda Shoham

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy
Martha Edwards

Early Career Award
Karni Kissil

2016 Lifetime Achievement Award
Maurizio Andolfi

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Jochen Schweitzer

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
Bruce Koff and Jeff Levy

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Melanie M. Domenech Rodriguez

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy
Michal Shamai

- Early Career Award
Deborah Coolhart
- 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award
William Doherty
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Carmen Knudson-Martin
- Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
Michael LaSala
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Frederick Wamboldt and Marianne Wamboldt
- Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy
Khawla Abu-Baker
- Early Career Award
Yajaira Curiel
- 2018 Lifetime Achievement Award
Paulette Moore Hines
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
Jaakko Seikkula and Tom Erik Arnkil
- Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
Jean Malpas and Ben Davis
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research
Andrew Cherlin
- Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy
Michele Scheinkman
- Early Career Award
Laurel Salmon
- 2019 Lifetime Achievement Award
Lois Braverman
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice
The Multicultural Family Institute Group
- Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice
America Bracho
Promotores of Latino Health Access
- Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Barbara H. Fiese

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Mary Jo Barrett

Early Career Award

Lana Kim

2020 Lifetime Achievement Award

Douglas Breunlin

Distinguished Contribution to Family Therapy Theory and Practice

Eve Lipchik

Distinguished Contribution to Social Justice

Elijah Nealy

Distinguished Contribution to Family Systems Research

Laurence Kirmayer

Innovative Contribution to Family Therapy

Gonzalo Bacigalupe

Early Career Award

Ottar Ness