CIE/USA-DFW Chapter 2023 Annual Convention VIP Reception

Individual Outstanding Community Service Award (iOCSA)



CIE/USA-DFW Chapter has two main core values: 1) to promote community awareness of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and 2) to promote community service and contributions to society. The Annual Convention aligns with our core value of promoting awareness of STEM and the VIP Reception celebrates and honors our Program Speakers, Sponsors, Industry and Community dignitaries.

The purpose of the reception is to provide a <u>networking opportunity with a short program to</u> honor the 2023 Individual Community Service Award recipients.

Guests include representatives from various company sponsors, community sponsors, universities, and local government officials. CIE shows appreciation for their support of the 34th anniversary of the CIE/USA-DFW chapter by hosting this event.

Four (4) special 2023 Individual Outstanding Community Service honorees were recognized at the VIP Reception for their significant impact and important contributions to the communities. Their certificates of recognition were presented by CIE/USA-DFW's most honored guest, the City of Richardson Mayor pro tem, Arefin Shamsul.



The 2023 Individual Outstanding Community Service (iOCSA) awardees:

Dr. Chris Koh, 2023 Chairman of the Board CIE/USA-DFW
 Dr. Koh was selected as an Outstanding 50 Asian Americans in Business in 2014. He has served as a board member of several academic and engineering organizations (UC Davis – Chemical Engineering, University of North Texas – Engineering and CIE/USA-DFW. In 2023,

he is spearheading the DFW CIE Chapter's re-engineering efforts to sustain our momentum to meet our long-term mission.

 Gaurav Shekhar, Assistant Dean, Graduate Programs, Naveen Jindal School of Management, University of Texas at Dallas

Gaurav is a key member of CIE-DFW's Re-engineering Task Force, helping to design and develop the Strategic Plan for the organization. Gaurav also aggressively leads efforts to create platforms for under-represented minorities, single mothers, and disadvantaged individuals to pivot their lives through skill development and career guidance. He is a champion of making education available to those who cannot afford the cost.

- Xin Wang, 2023 President of Dallas Fort Worth Chinese IT Association (DCIA)
 Xin's passion is to help young volunteers grow and become community leaders. She is modeling sustainability for DCIA. She consistently puts her heart into her volunteer work.
 Xin led an initiative to establish the "Online TECH seminar for All" program, a series of tech seminars aimed at equipping underprivileged youth with popular IT skills. These sessions offered hands-on experience in coding, software development, and IT fundamentals.
- Dr. Tiger Zhou, Sr. Applications engineer at Texas Instruments AND 2023 CIE Co-President Since 2016, Tiger has served in multiple roles at CIE: 2021 President, 2022 Chairman and 2023 Co-President. He has personally recruited volunteers who are filling today's leadership roles for CIE/USA-DFW. Tiger loves to innovate. He built a Google Workspace for CIE, greatly improving the organization operation and collaboration. Since 2017, Tiger has sponsored iTalk Gavel Club (open to the public) —a youth public speaking club for students. Because of his commitment, many students have improved their speaking and leadership skills.



Arefin Shamsul, City of Richardson; Jen Hoch, CIE Co-President and iOCSA Chair and iOCSA Awardees: Xin Wang, Gaurav Shekhar, Chris Koh, and Tiger Zhou

Congratulations!

Happy 34th Anniversary to CIE/USA-DFW Chapter and ALL who make this organization successful.