

# Schmidt Laureates

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| 1948 – Leo C. Massopust, FBPA          | 1981 – I. Lloyd Matlovsky, RBP, FBPA |
| 1949 – Anne Shiras, FBPA               | 1982 – Leslie Bowcock, MD, AIMBI     |
| 1950 – Stella Zimmer, FBPA             | 1983 – H. Paul Newman, RBP, FBPA     |
| 1951 – Ralph P. Creer, FBPA            | 1984 – Percy Brooks, RBP, FBPA       |
| 1952 – Leonard A. Julin, RBP, FBPA     | 1985 – Leon J. LeBeau, FBPA          |
| 1953 – Oscar W. Richards, PhD, FBPA    | 1986 – Nile Root, RBP, FBPA          |
| 1954 – Ferdinand R. Harding, RBP, FBPA | 1987 – Martin L. Scott, FBPA         |
| 1955 – C. Graham Eddy, FBPA            | 1988 – Ralph J. Marshall, PhD        |
| 1956 – Mervin W. LaRue, Sr., FBPA      | 1989 – Thomas P. Hurtgen, FBPA       |
| 1957 – Lloyd E. Varden, RBP, FBPA      | 1990 – Raymond E. Lund, RBP, FBPA    |
| 1958 – Albert Levin, RBP, FBPA         | 1991 – Robert F. Sisson, RBP, FBPA   |
| 1959 – Paul H. Holinger, MD, FBPA      | 1992 – Nicholas M. Graver, RBP, FBPA |
| 1960 – H. Lou Gibson, RBP, FBPA        | 1993 – A. Robin Williams, FBPA       |
| 1961 – Warren Sturgis, RBP, FBPA       | 1994 – Will E. Renner, RBP, FBPA     |
| 1962 – Stanley J. McComb, RBP, FBPA    | 1995 – Dan Patton, RBP, FBPA         |
| 1963 – Marie E. Ikenberg, RBP, FBPA    | 1996 – Kenneth V. Michaels, FBPA     |
| 1964 – Peter Hansell, MD, RBP, FBPA    | 1997 – Ronald F. Irvine, RBP, FBPA   |
| 1965 – Howard E. Tribe, RBP, FBPA      | 1998 – Heather Angel, FRPS, FBIPP    |
| 1966 – John V. Butterfield, FBPA       | 1999 – Richard M. Williams, FBPA     |
| 1967 – not awarded                     | 2000 – Herbert R. Smith, Jr., FBPA   |
| 1968 – Chester F. Reather, RBP, FBPA   | 2001 – William J. Stenstrom, FBPA    |
| 1969 – Laurence B. Brown, RBP, FBPA    | 2002 – W. David Tredinnick, FBPA     |
| 1970 – Verlin Y. Yamamoto, RBP, FBPA   | 2003 – Joseph Ogrodnick, FBPA        |
| 1971 – Stephen P. Dittman, RBP, FBPA   | 2004 – Robert C. Turner, RBP, FBPA   |
| 1972 – Clifford L. Freehe, RBP, FBPA   | 2005 – Samuel Giannavola, RBP, FBPA  |
| 1973 – Stanley Klosevych, RBP, FBPA    | 2006 – Gigi Williams, FBPA           |
| 1974 – Roger P. Loveland, FBPA         | 2007 – Michael R. Peres, RBP, FBPA   |
| 1975 – E. Lynn Baldwin, RBP, FBPA      | 2008 – Norman J. Barker, RBP, FBPA   |
| 1976 – Charles P. Hodge, RBP, FBPA     | 2009 – Steven J. Harrison, FBPA      |
| 1977 – Lardner A. Coffey, RBP, FBPA    | 2010 – Andrew Davidhazy              |
| 1978 – John P. Vetter, RBP, FBPA       | 2011 – Gale E. Spring, FBPA          |
| 1979 – Donald H. Fritts, RBP, FBPA     | 2012 - James E. Hayden, RBP, FBPA    |
| 1980 – Fritz Goro, RBP, FBPA           | 2013 - John B. Hendrix, RBP, FBPA    |

## The 2013 Louis Schmidt Laureate



***John B. Hendrix, RBP, FBPA***

# The Louis Schmidt Award

**T**his Award – the highest given in the BCA – is named for our second President. It is awarded annually for “outstanding contributions to the progress of biological communications.” The selection of the recipient each year is made by a committee composed of the nine most recent winners. This selection is subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

Mr. Schmidt was in charge of photography at the Rockefeller Institute in New York City and was a founding member of the BPA in 1931. He had an abiding interest in sharing his photographic knowledge with his students and in promoting the highest technical standards in our association.

In 1943, on the occasion of his death, the BPA Journal commented, “In many ways, the BPA is a monument to Louis Schmidt.”

To give special distinction to the Award, those who receive it are known as “Louis Schmidt Laureates.”

The BioCommunications Association, Inc. is grateful to Mrs. Mary Lappan Vetter, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for the generous gift of a 100-year-old, gold-headed cane. It was received August 4, 1990, in Phoenix, Arizona. The cane is part of the BCA Louis Schmidt Award and was presented the first time to Robert F. Sisson on August 3, 1991, in Tampa, Florida.

The gold head is composed of heavy inlaid gold on a copper base. The principal value of the cane is due to the goldsmith’s ability to create and fashion a design of elegant beauty. The cane’s original owner was Dr. Goebel who received it in a presentation of unknown designation in 1902. It came into Mrs. Mary Lappan Vetter’s possession upon the death of her uncle, Father Thomas T. Lappan.

Many universities, colleges and hospitals in Great Britain and America have adopted the practice of awarding a gold-headed cane as the highest honor that can be bestowed on one of their staff members. The BioCommunications Association, through the generous gift of Mary Vetter, is pleased to present this special cane as its highest honor.

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*John B. Hendrix, RBP, FBCA*

John Hendrix served as Director of The Image Centre at Mount Sinai Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada from 1988-2005. During this time, he led the transition from silver-based technology to digital imaging. His department was the first in the hospital to network and use computers to manage accounts and workflow. He implemented video conferencing (with the Department of Surgery) for “real-time training” between the operating rooms and the University of Toronto Surgical Skills Training Center. This program was expanded globally to other hospitals and universities. He previously served as medical photographer at Toronto Western Hospital and research photographer for the Psoriasis Education and Research Centre at Women’s College Hospital in Toronto. He then was senior medical photographer at Women’s College Hospital in Toronto and at Mount Sinai Hospital.

He received an A.A. degree from Ferris State College and a B.Sc. from Eastern Michigan University. He became a Registered Biological Photographer in 1984 and a Fellow of the BioCommunications Association in 2000. In 1984, he served as a photographic consultant on a special project for Atomic Energy Canada, where he participated in the development of moiré interferometry to detect scoliosis. Hendrix also taught photography for medical illustrators in the Department of Art as Applied to Medicine and photography of gross specimens in the Department of Pathology, both at the University of Toronto.

John has been very active in both local chapter and association-wide roles. He served five years in the House of Delegates and held positions on both the Board of Registry and the Board of Governors, serving as Vice President and President of BCA. John was the recipient of the Creer Service Award in 2008. Because of his rich history of service, he was chosen to be a member of a six-person blue ribbon committee to establish guidelines for the BCA Maria Ikenberg Lindberg Trust endowment. Hendrix facilitated numerous learning opportunities for fellow professionals, chairing scientific programs at Chapter meetings and at the Association level. He has made presentations and published numerous papers.

His lifelong professional interactions have been supportive, thoughtful, and productive. Many have come to consider him a valued colleague of the highest order. John and his wife, Jocelyne, reside in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

