

Georgia Tech Faculty and Staff Receive Recognition

Associate professor **Christos Alexopoulos** and professor **David Goldsman** of the Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering were awarded the INFORMS Simulation Society's 2007 Outstanding Simulation Publication Award.

Ron Bohlander, Georgia Tech Research Institute fellow and director of commercial product realization, was awarded the Joseph A. Siegel Service Award by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers.

Jim Foley, interim dean of the College of Computing and professor in the School of Interactive Computing, was elected to the National Academy of Engineering.

Nancey Green Leigh, College of Architecture professor, was inducted into the College of Fellows of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

C. P. Wong, Regents' Professor in the School of Materials Science and Engineering, received the Society of Manufacturing Engineers' 2008 Total Excellence in Electronics Manufacturing Award.

Biomedical engineering professor **Brani Vidakovic** was named a Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Jim Meindl, director of the Microelectronics Research Center (MiRC), and **Muhannad Bakir**, MiRC research engineer, received the Outstanding Paper Award at the 57th IEEE Electronic Components and Technology Conference.

Biomedical engineering associate professor **Michelle LaPlaca** and Emory School of Medicine assistant professor David Wright were honored as "Healthcare Heroes" in the April 9 issue of the *Atlanta Business Chronicle*.

Mark Allen, senior vice provost for research and innovation, and Yan Zhu

Zhao, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering graduate student, received the Best Poster Paper Award at the 57th IEEE Electronic Components and Technology Conference.

UPS and Regents' Professor **Donald Ratliff** of the Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering was invited by the National Science Foundation to serve on the Advisory Committee for the NSF's Office of Polar Programs.

Frank Rothermel, associate professor of strategic management, and doctoral graduate Drew Hess, won the 2008 Sloan Industry Studies Best Paper Award.

College of Architecture interim dean **Douglas Allen** was honored with the Governor's Award for Historic Preservation Stewardship by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources.

Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering assistant professor **Erica Ryherd** won an American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers Top 5 New Faces of Engineering Award.

The **GTRI Communications Office** won a Technology Marketing Award from the Technology Association of Georgia and two Videographer Awards from the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals.

Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering professor **Jianmin Qu** won the 2008 IEEE Components, Packaging and Manufacturing Technology Society's Outstanding Sustained Technical Contribution Award.

C. F. Jeff Wu, Coca-Cola Chair in Engineering Statistics in the Stewart School of Industrial and Systems Engineering, received the 2008 Shewhart Medal from the American Society for Quality and the 2008 Pan Wen-Yuan Award.

"Power Wrap," an art installation created by architecture instructor **Amy Landesberg** and her students received an Award of Excellence for Public Art from the Atlanta Urban Design Commission and was named one of America's Best Public Arts Projects by Americans for the Arts.

Architecture instructors **Brian Bell** and **David Yocum** received an Award of Excellence for Adaptive Reuse from the Atlanta Urban Design Commission.

Nanogenerators developed by **Z. L. Wang**, Regents' professor in the School of Materials Science and Engineering, were named one of the most innovative products of 2007 in the MICRO/NANO 25 Competition.

Associate professor **Robert Black** of the School of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences received top honors as the #1 forecaster in the nation (out of 1,065 eligible forecasters) in the 2007-08 WxChallenge, a national weather forecasting contest.

Biomedical engineering professor **Barbara Boyan** received the Association of Rice Alumni's annual Distinguished Alumni Award.

Robert Butera, School of Electrical and Computer Engineering associate professor, was named a 2008 Jefferson Science Fellow by the U.S. Department of State.

Daniel Castro-Lacouture, assistant professor of building construction, won second prize in the Think Green Week Sustainability Poster Competition hosted by the Brook Byers Institute for Sustainable Systems.

The American Institute of Architects honored **Chuck Eastman**, professor in the College of Architecture, with a Technology in Architectural Practice Building Information Modeling Award.

Associate professor of operations

management **Mark Ferguson** won the Wickham Skinner Best Unpublished Paper Prize at the Production and Operations Management Society's 2008 annual meeting.

Cheryl Gaimon, Regents' Professor of operations management, received the Distinguished Fellow Award from the College of Production Innovation and Technology Management. She also became president of the Production and Operations Management Society this year.

School of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering professor **Paul Kohl** received the Thomas Callinan Award from the Dielectric Science & Technology Division of The Electrochemical Society.

Coulter Department of Biomedical Engineering assistant professor **Todd McDevitt** was selected for a 2008 U.K.-U.S. Stem Cell Collaboration Development Award.

David McDowell, the Carter N. Paden Jr. Distinguished Chair in Metals Processing and Regents' Professor, received the Khan International Medal.

MiRC research engineer **Azad Naeemi** received the IEEE Electron Device Society's 2007 Paul Rapaport Award.

Art Ragauskas, professor in the School of Chemistry and Biochemistry and the Institute of Paper Science and Technology, won the TAPPI 2008 Research and Development Technical Award and William H. Aiken Prize.

School of Materials Science and Engineering professor **Vladimir Tsukruk** won grand prize in the 2007 Pioneering Nanotechnology Competition sponsored by Masscal Scientific Instruments.

School of Interactive Computing Distinguished Professor **Gregory Abowd** joined the Computer Human Interaction Academy.