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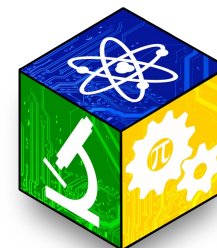


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The 78th Fair

Virtual and Quinnipiac University
March 1-14, 2026

Finalist Awards Ceremonies

Middle School 9 am
High School 12 pm
March 14, 2026

Quinnipiac University
Hamden, CT

The Connecticut Science Fair Association remembers Bob Erickson (1940-2025), long time volunteer and board member.



2026 Connecticut Science and Engineering Fair Finalist Awards Ceremonies

Master of Ceremonies

Dr. Frank LaBanca, *Fair Director*, Area Cooperative Educational Services

Welcome

Brad Guilani, *Connecticut Science Fair Association President*, OTIS

Awards Program

Megan Rader, *Chief Judge*, Manchester Public Schools (retired)

Brad Guilani, *Physical Sciences Judging Chair*, OTIS

Steve Kerr, *Life Sciences Judging Chair*, Boehringer Ingelheim (retired)

Longevity Awards

Scholarship Awards

Quinnipiac University

University of Hartford

University of New Haven

University of Connecticut

Special Category Awards

Applied Technology Awards

Mitchell Charkiewicz, *Chair*, Central Connecticut State University

The Jackson Laboratory Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Awards

Jon Hill, *Chair*, Boehringer Ingelheim

Infosys Foundation USA Computer Science Awards

Elizabeth Peterson, *Chair*, General Dynamics/ Electric Boat

EnergizeCT Alternative and Renewable Energy Awards

Diana McCarthy Bercury, *Chair*, Earth Forward Group

CT Association of Conservation & Inland Wetlands Commissioners

Environmental Science Awards

Dr. Charles Dimmick, *Chair*, CACWIC

Alan Siniscalchi, *Chair*, CACWIC

EnergizeCT Future Sustainability Awards

Alice Martin, *Chair*, Avangrid

Mathematics Awards

Matthew Buchta, *Chair*, Darien Public Schools

Petit Family Foundation Women in Science and Engineering Awards

Robert Epstein, *Chair*, IBM

EnergizeCT Technical High School Awards

Peter Carlson, *Chair*, Earth Forward Group

Alexion Biotechnology Awards

Kristi Moore, *Chair*, Alexion AstraZeneca Rare Disease

Katilin Cahill, *Chair*, Alexion AstraZeneca Rare Disease

Engineering Awards

Peter Hoover, *Chair*, Raytheon Corporation (retired)

Urban School Challenge with Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering and OTIS

Maya Geradi, *Chair*, Yale University

Regular Fair Awards

Boehringer Ingelheim Cares Foundation Life Sciences Awards

Steve Kerr, *Chair*, Boehringer Ingelheim (retired)

Physical Sciences Awards with CMS/Dorothy Minervino

Brad Guilani, *Chair*, OTIS

Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge

Maya Geradi, *Awards Coordinator*, Yale University

Regeneron International Science and Engineering Fair Winners

Ann Frattalone, *Coordinator*, Henry Abbott Technical School (retired)

Connecticut Science Teachers Association Marty Tafel Student Research Awards

Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering

Middle School Urban School Challenge Award

H. Joseph Gerber Medal of Excellence

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