

24 New Members Make It To The Cable TV Pioneers Top of the Class of 2021

New York, NY – June 9, 2021 – Twenty-four new members have been selected for the Cable TV Pioneers 55th Annual Induction.

“Just as our industry rose to the challenge of keeping America connected this past year, these men and women continued to make significant contributions on their business, home and community fronts,” stated Pioneer chairman, Dave Fellows, adding, “The Class of 2021 exemplifies the Pioneer spirit and commitment to do the best no matter the circumstances.”

The 24 members of this year’s class include a strong array of men and women from CEOs and company founders, to techs and journalists who have made a positive impact on the growth and innovation that are unique to our business. Each has demonstrated and proven, their value as a cable pioneer.

“We think it will be a wonderful induction, and we hope to incorporate some of the unique elements of the 2020 event that C-SPAN generously broadcast and streamed, like the engaging and fast-paced inductee videos,” stated Pioneer co-chair, Yvette Kanouff.

This year’s class members are:

Mark Adams	Cox Communications
Michael Adams	Broadband Semantics
Richard Amell	Bright House Networks
Peter Barton	(Posthumous)
Patricia Baughman	Cable One (Sparklight)
Tracy Baumgartner	Comcast/NBC Universal
Jack Caparrell	Service Electric
Sherita Ceasar	Comcast
Kristin Dolan	605
Dale Elifrits,	Comcast
Diego M. Gastaldi	Vmware, Inc.
John Higginbotham	ACA Connects
Jim Holanda	Astound Broadband
Richard (Dick) Kirsche	Kirsche Consulting
Chris Lammers	CableLabs®
Filemon Lopez	Comcast
Wonya Lucas	Crown Media Network
Amy Maclean	Cablefax
Jim McCauley	DB Communications
Tom McMillin	Nevis Advisors
John E. Roos	Insp
Robert (Bob) Scanlon	Shelter Cove, LLC
Patricia (Patsy) Smullin	California Oregon Broadcasting Inc.
R. Thomas (Tom) Umstead	Broadcasting + Cable Multichannel News

The Pioneers intend to hold its 2021 Annual Induction in conjunction with this year’s [SCTE Cable-Tec Expo®](#).

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About the Cable TV Pioneers

The Cable TV Pioneers was founded in 1966 during the NCTA Convention in Miami, Fl. The original group of 21 entrepreneurs has grown to more than 700 men and women over the past 50 years. Photos, articles and video of the 54th Anniversary celebration, previous banquets, as well as member rosters, are available at the site Cabletvpioneers.com.

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