



The Athena Effect

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ATHENA'S 21ST ANNUAL **Pinnacle Awards**

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 | 5:30-8:30pm

Qualcomm's Irwin Jacobs Campus | 5775 Morehouse Drive, San Diego
5:30 Registration & Networking | 7:00 Awards Ceremony | 8:00 After Party

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Would you like to give back to the #WomeninStem community while spending an evening with 600+ STEM superstars? Here's your chance.

For more information, contact
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Meet the 2019 Pinnacle Awards Nominees

MEET Stephanie Paul, Master of Ceremonies for the 2019 Pinnacle Awards.

“It’s our honor to host the Athena Pinnacle Awards at Qualcomm this year.

Every day I have the pleasure of meeting and speaking with our extraordinarily talented technical women.

The work that Athena does is important - providing community and resources to women on their technical journeys. The Athena team is helping to create the success stories we’ll be celebrating on May 7th and we are delighted to be a part of it.”

PINNACLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Empowering the Next Generation of Women Leading in STEM

The Athena Foundation is proud to champion the next generation of women leaders in STEM through its *Annual Pinnacle Scholarships*. Five outstanding San Diego high school students will be awarded scholarships at the 2019 Pinnacle Awards on May 7. Pinnacle scholarships are awarded to high-school seniors planning to enter a four-year university to study in the STEM fields. Outstanding applicants are well-rounded women who've demonstrated academic excellence, leadership in school organizations, and community involvement.

DRIVEN BY COMMUNITY SUPPORT | When purchasing your ticket to the 2019 Pinnacle Awards, we invite you to donate to the Athena Foundation's Pinnacle Scholarship Fund, a 501(c)(3), which awards 5 merit-based STEM scholarships annually. Donations of \$1,000 or more will receive one admission to a VIP Meet & Greet in the Qualcomm Museum with the Scholarship Winners. Donors will be contacted by May 3rd with event details.

[Learn More About the Athena Foundation](#)

THANK YOU 2019 Pinnacle Scholarship Judges

Lola Adeyemo, *Thermo Fisher Scientific; Athena Board*

Claudia Baranowski, *Athena Board*

Praggya Garg, *Sony Electronics*

Deborah Linggi, *Intuit*

Constance Maples, *Lanyon Advisory Services; Athena Board*

Mary Nguyen, *Neox Clinical Research*

Ruchika Rastogi, *Illumina*

Sheri Willey, *Qualcomm*

We Would Like to Thank Our 2019 PINNACLE AWARDS JUDGES

Athena would like to thank the 2019 Pinnacle Award judges as they have graciously given their time to ensure this year's honorees represent the very best of the members and supporters of the women in STEM community. As previous Pinnacle winners, these judges have an in-depth and unique perspective of the Pinnacle Awards

Amy Bergen, *The Leadership Edge*

Nancy Hong, *RiverVest Venture Partners*

Dr. Ciara Kennedy, *Amplix Pharmaceuticals*

Dr. Lauren Lek, *Academy of Our Lady of Peace*

Shavon Lindley, *ion Learning*

Leena Patidar, *Coin Up*

Lisa Walters-Hoffert, *Daré Bioscience*

“Sony has actively supported Athena for two decades. Advancing the leadership of women is no longer a corporate social responsibility initiative; it’s a competitive imperative to reach cognitive diversity in innovation, where consumers and markets win.”

- Cheryl Goodman, Head of Corporate Communications and Corporate Social Responsibility for Sony Electronics, Inc. North America.

MEET THE BAND!
STREETLIGHT CADENCE

In keeping with the fun and lively theme of the 2019 Pinnacle Awards, Streetlight Cadence (SLC) will be providing the musical entertainment for the event.

[CLICK HERE](#) for a sneak peak.

SLC began on the streets of Waikiki as a means to pay for groceries and has grown into a full-time career for this group of friends.

The band has spent the last 9 years honing their craft as lauded songwriters and entertainers.

Although they come from a strict classical background of musical performance, the men of SLC are anything but your typical quartet.

Driven by their infectious storytelling and whimsicality, Streetlight Cadence brings nearly a decade of experience performing at every venue imaginable from local cafes and restaurants to televised stadium shows, destination weddings, and high-profile corporate events.

