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FACULTY AND STAFF

AWARDS
Michelle Thompson
Assistant Professor

Michelle is being honored for her work as an EAPS departmental ombudsperson and for leading our Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee during the past year. She was a co-sponsor of our departmental Code of Conduct and instituted several new departmental activities in DEI. Without her leadership EAPS would not have made the progress it did during a year of social unrest.
LEADERSHIP AWARD

William “Bill” Fornes
Assistant Department Head

Bill is being honored for seeing the EAPS Department through a year of great transition which included retirements, a reallocation of staff responsibilities and several resulting new hires. He pulled a workload far in excess of what was expected in order to lead through this challenging year.
Steven Smith
Outreach Coordinator

Steven is being honored for being able to perform and actually expand outreach activities through a combination of online activities and social media platforms. Foremost amongst these is the wildly successful YouTube and podcast “Superheroes of Science” which has become one of the leading ways our department and college disseminate our findings.
Emjai is being recognized for her support of graduate student recruitment and assistance. This was a challenging year as we were not able to have our traditional on campus Expo for prospective graduate students as well as complicated travel and visa restrictions. She seamlessly navigated these obstacles and was able to help EAPS admit a record breaking class in terms of quality and number.
Cheryl Pierce
Communications Specialist

Cheryl is being recognized for her prompt and creative efforts to put both the EAPS and Physics & Astronomy talents in the best light possible.
CONGRATULATIONS

Thank you to all of our honorees for your persistent efforts to create a culture of respect, inclusion, innovation and growth.

We appreciate you!