

DALLAS HISTORICAL SOCIETY
DALLAS HISTORY MAKERS
Awards for Excellence

An Award for Excellence is bestowed one time only in the lifetime of an individual or organization regardless of category. In exceptional circumstances, an award may be shared between two individuals. The categories are as follows:

Arts Leadership – to that individual who has enriched the cultural life of Dallas as a planner, organizer, fundraiser, collector or art historian.

Business – to that individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the business climate of the community.

Creative Arts – to that individual whose prominence as a practitioner of the fine arts as artisan, architect, writer, composer, producer or performer has enriched the cultural environment of Dallas.

Education – to that individual who has made an exceptional contribution to the field of education as a teacher, administrator or benefactor. (This award has been divided between Education – Teacher and Education – Administrator or Benefactor in previous years.)

Health/Sciences – to that individual who has made an outstanding contribution through prominence or public service in medicine, scientific research, the behavioral sciences or public health.

Humanities/History – to that individual whose active sense of civic duty has provided leadership in achieving specific community goals or who has researched and chronicled aspects of the history of Dallas and Texas.

Philanthropy – to that individual whose personal generosity has greatly benefited this city.

Sports Leadership – to that individual who has brought distinction or achievement to team or individual sports as an athlete, coach, journalist, promoter or sports advocate.

Volunteer Community Leadership – to that individual whose generous gift of self has enriched the community. (This award has also been divided between VCL – Individual and VCL – Non-Profit Organization or Agency.)

Jubilee History Maker – created in 1991 in recognition of **Jubilee Dallas!**, this award recognizes an individual whose achievements extend to more than one of the awards categories. Robert Decherd was the first recipient.