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Flame Award

The USENIX Lifetime Achievement Award ("The Flame") recognizes and celebrates singular contributions to the USENIX community of both intellectual achievement and service that are not recognized in any other forum.

Winners of the USENIX Lifetime Achievement Award

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1996: The Software Tools Project

Almost two decades ago, three computer scientists at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory popularized a suite of software tools that many computing professionals considered revolutionary and maybe even subversive. On January 24, 1996, their work was recognized with Lifetime Achievement Awards by one of their profession's most prestigious associations.

Dennis Hall (Berkeley, CA), Deborah Scherrer (Castro Valley, CA) and Joseph Sventek (Oakland, CA) were presented with Lifetime Achievement Awards.



At the USENIX conference in 1996, Steve Johnson (r), then President of USENIX, presents the "Lifetime Achievement Award (The Flame)" to Joe Sventek (l), Deborah Scherrer (2nd from left), and Dennis Hall (2nd from right) "to honor profound intellectual achievement and unparalleled service to the community" because of their Software Tools Project.

THE USENIX ASSOCIATION PRESENTS THE 1996

Lifetime Achievement Award
to *The Founders and Major Participants*
in the *Software Tools Users Group*

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and unparalleled service to the community.

Before the general availability of Unix, the Software Tools project
popularized a new vision of operating system software, offering a bridge to portability
and power for those beleaguered by limited, proprietary operating systems.

With its extraordinary focus on building clean, portable, reusable code shared amongst
multiple applications and runnable on virtually any system, the Software Tools movement
established the tradition of empowering users to define, develop, control,
and freely distribute their computing environment.

We hereby recognize the following Software Tools Users Group
founders and major participants:

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENTS & KEEPERS OF THE FLAME

Dennis Hall Deborah Scherrer Joseph S. Sventek

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And the many others who wrote software, engineered ports,
and otherwise contributed to and participated in the Software Tools movement.

