



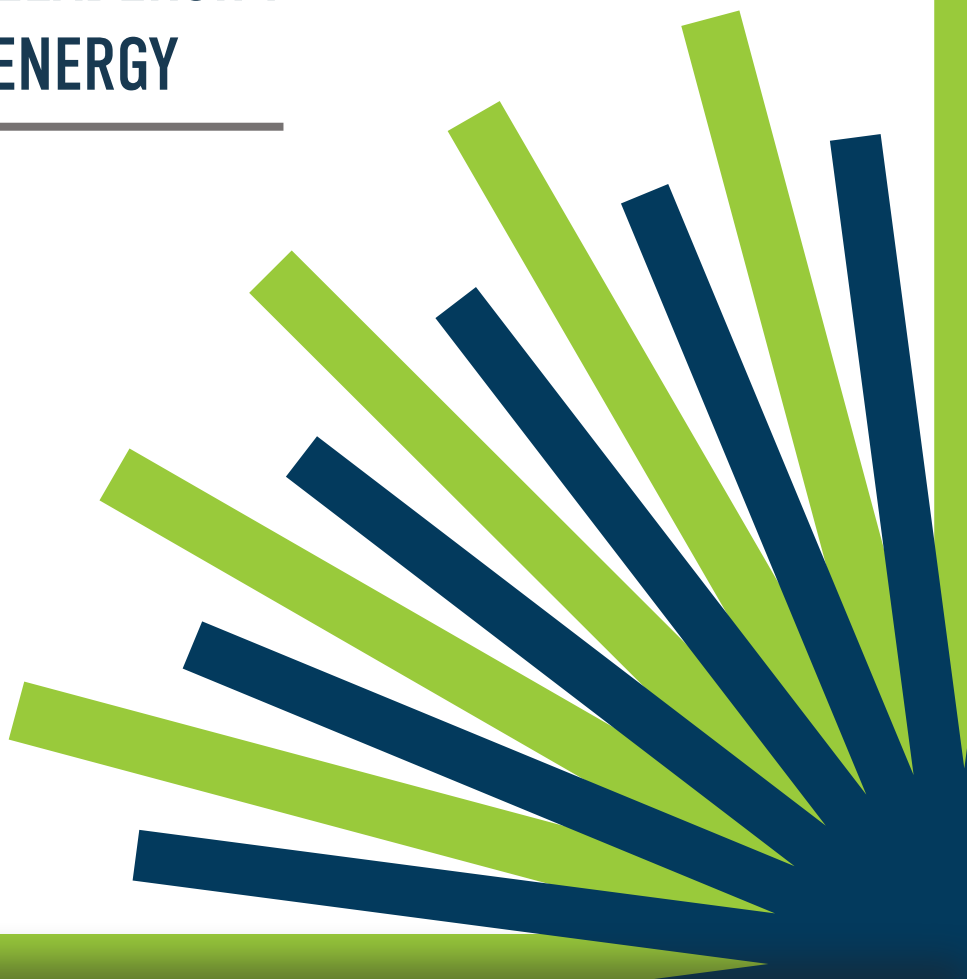
# C3E

Clean Energy Education &  
Empowerment Initiative

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**ADVANCING  
WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP  
IN CLEAN ENERGY**

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The Clean Energy Education & Empowerment (C3E) Initiative advances the contributions and leadership of women across the clean energy sector. The initiative is led by the U.S. Department of Energy, in collaboration with the MIT Energy Initiative, Stanford's Precourt Institute for Energy, and Texas A&M Energy Institute.

## OUR MISSION

**TO CLOSE THE GENDER GAP AND INCREASE THE PARTICIPATION, LEADERSHIP, AND SUCCESS OF WOMEN IN THE CLEAN ENERGY FIELD**

## OUR CORE PILLARS

### AMBASSADORS

The C3E Ambassadors are distinguished senior executives, academics, and thought leaders who serve as role models and advocates for women in clean energy. Many of them faced formidable obstacles as pioneers in their field, and now work to strengthen the recruitment, retention, and advancement of highly qualified women in the clean energy sector. They voluntarily devote time and resources to support the success of the initiative.

### AWARDS

The C3E Awards recognize and honor mid-career women leaders who have demonstrated outstanding leadership and accomplishments in clean energy across diverse fields. Nominations are solicited nationwide and vetted by the Ambassadors. Awardees are announced at the annual C3E Women in Clean Energy Symposium, where they receive high-level recognition and a cash prize.

### SYMPOSIUM

The C3E Women in Clean Energy Symposium is an annual professional conference to recognize women's outstanding work in the clean energy industry. Eight mid-career awardees and a lifetime achievement honoree are recognized at this annual event. The Symposium explores new ideas for closing the gender gap and for advancing clean energy broadly. A student poster competition is also held. Attendees include government representatives, researchers, entrepreneurs, corporate leaders, and university students.

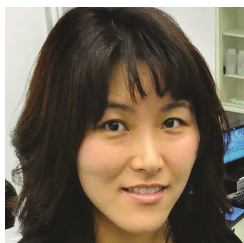
### COMMUNITY

The C3E Initiative is active on social media platforms to connect women working in clean energy with information, insight, inspiration, and an opportunity to engage with peers and mentors. Many C3E Ambassadors and other professionals around the country share news and opportunities on C3E social channels.

LEARN MORE AT [C3E.ORG](https://www.c3e.org)

## BUILDING ON SUCCESS

# PAST C3E AWARDEES SHARE HOW RECOGNITION HAS ENHANCED THEIR OPPORTUNITIES AND VISIBILITY IN THE CLEAN ENERGY COMMUNITY.



### Ah-Hyung Alissa Park

Lenfest Earth Institute  
Professor of Climate Change  
and Director of Lenfest  
Center for Sustainable Energy  
Columbia University

#### RECIPIENT

2018 C3E  
RESEARCH  
AWARD

*"In recent years, we are talking about diversity, equity, and inclusion, but I think C3E has already made headway, providing venues for us to all get together and talk about our vision, challenges, and opportunities."*



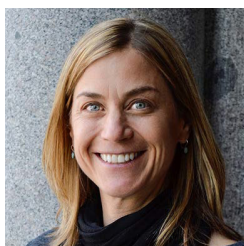
### Anya Cherneff

Co-Founder and Director  
Pollinate Group

#### RECIPIENT

2015 C3E  
INTERNATIONAL  
AWARD

*"Being a part of the C3E network feels like being home. I always leave the symposium feeling inspired and energized. The connections I've made here have been some of the most valuable and genuine of my career."*



### Nicky Phear

Director, Climate Change  
Studies Program University  
of Montana

#### RECIPIENT

2016 C3E  
EDUCATION  
AWARD

*"I feel very proud of the C3E Award I received and the network of which I am a part. It has inspired me to expand my work with women in leadership development. Also, being recognized with a national award from the U.S. Department of Energy got me a promotion and a raise."*



### Suzanne Singer

Executive Director and  
Co-Founder Native  
Renewables Inc

#### RECIPIENT

2019 C3E  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
AWARD

*"I was so honored to receive the 2019 C3E Entrepreneurship Award. It has helped me use my technical skills to return home to be able to help tens of thousands of families of the Navajo and Hopi Nations to get access to electricity in their homes for the very first time."*

## WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP MATTERS

TRANSFORMING THE WORLD'S ENERGY SYSTEMS REQUIRES THE TALENT, INNOVATION, AND COMMITMENT OF ALL MEMBERS OF SOCIETY. GREATER GENDER DIVERSITY IN THE CLEAN ENERGY SECTOR WILL ENRICH THE TALENT POOL AND HELP SHAPE A ROBUST AND SUSTAINABLE CLEAN ENERGY FUTURE.

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## PAST C3E AWARDEES

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

- 2023 *Gina McCarthy* AMERICA IS ALL IN  
2022 *Lisa Jackson* APPLE  
2021 *Cheryl A. LaFleur* ISO NEW ENGLAND  
2020 *Bobi Garrett* NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY (RETIRED)  
2019 *Denise Gray* LG CHEM  
2018 *Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Moler* EXELON CORPORATION  
2017 *Maria Cantwell* U.S. SENATOR, WASHINGTON  
2017 *Lisa Murkowski* U.S. SENATOR, ALASKA  
2016 *Sarah Kurtz* NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY  
2015 *Mary Nichols* CA AIR RESOURCES BOARD  
2014 *Sue Tierney* ANALYSIS GROUP  
2013 *Maxine Savitz* NATIONAL ACADEMY OF ENGINEERING  
2012 *Mildred Dresselhaus* MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

## ADVOCACY

- 2023 *Jameka Hodnett* CHISHOLM LEGACY PROJECT  
2020 *Cristina Garcia* BUILDING ELECTRIFICATION INITIATIVE  
2019 *Sonia Aggarwal* ENERGY INNOVATION  
2018 *Melanie Santiago-Mosier* VOTE SOLAR  
2017 *Anna Bautista* GRID ALTERNATIVES  
2016 *Rebecca Pearl-Martinez* THE FLETCHER SCHOOL, TUFTS UNIVERSITY  
2015 *Dawn Lippert* ELEMENTAL EXCELERATOR  
2014 *Dorothy Barnett* CLIMATE + ENERGY PROJECT

## BUSINESS

- 2023 *Raisa Lee* CLEARWAY ENERGY GROUP  
2022 *Phoebe Wang* AMAZON CLIMATE PLEDGE FUND  
2021 *Meghan Nutting* SUNNOVA ENERGY CORPORATION  
2020 *Elizabeth Kaiga* DNV GL  
2019 *Mira Inbar* ROYAL DUTCH SHELL  
2018 *Elizabeth Wayman* BREAKTHROUGH ENERGY VENTURES  
2017 *Shelee Kimura* HAWAIIAN ELECTRIC COMPANY  
2016 *Leslie Marshall* GENERAL MILLS, INC.  
2015 *Grace Overlander* TESLA MOTORS  
2014 *Zadhya Mohammed* SIEMENS

## CORPORATE IMPLEMENTATION

- 2013 *Kirstin Gunderson* WALMART STORES, INC.  
2012 *Liz Porter* LOCKHEED MARTIN

## DEVELOPING WORLD

- 2013 *Katherine Lucey* SOLAR SISTER  
2012 *Laura Stachel* WE CARE SOLAR

## EDUCATION

- 2023 *Evangelina Galvan Shreeve* PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIONAL LABORATORY  
2020 *Lindsay L. Dubbs* COASTAL STUDIES INSTITUTE  
2019 *Valerie Karplus* MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
2018 *Lilo Pozzo* UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
2017 *Nicole Lautze* UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MANOA  
2016 *Nicky Phear* UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA  
2015 *DaNel Hogan* OFFICE OF THE PIMA COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT  
2014 *Debra Rowe* OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY

- 2022 *Angelica Ramdhari* SOLAR ONE  
2021 *Marina Badoian-Kriticos* HOUSTON ADVANCED RESEARCH CENTER (HARC)

## EDUCATION AND MENTORSHIP

- 2013 *Kristen Graf* WOMEN OF WIND ENERGY  
2012 *Tracey Holloway* UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- 2023 *Piper Foster Wilder* 60HERTZ ENERGY  
2022 *Shannon Miller* MAINSPRING ENERGY, INC.  
2021 *Steph Speirs* SOLSTICE  
2020 *Kathy Hannun* DANDELION ENERGY  
2019 *Suzanne L. Singer* NATIVE RENEWABLES  
2018 *Molly Morse* MANGO MATERIALS  
2017 *Emily Kirsch* POWERHOUSE  
2016 *Maria Kingery* SOUTHERN ENERGY MANAGEMENT; KINGERY & COMPANY  
2015 *Erica Mackey* OFF GRID ELECTRIC  
2014 *Lisa Dyson* KIVERDI, INC.  
2013 *Erica Mackie* GRID ALTERNATIVES  
2012 *Judy Dorsey* BRENDELE GROUP

## FINANCE

- 2023 *Erin Davis* ENDURING PLANET

## GOVERNMENT

- 2023 *Leuwam Tesfai* CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
2022 *Sylvia Louie* NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY  
2021 *Faith Corneille* U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, BUREAU OF ENERGY RESOURCES  
2020 *Natalie Meyer* CITY OF BOZEMAN, MT  
2019 *Larissa Johnson* MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION  
2018 *Aimee Barnes* OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR EDMUND G. BROWN JR.  
2017 *Chris LaFleur* SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES

- 2016 *Suzanne Tegen* NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY  
2015 *Carla Peterman* CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
2014 *Ghita Levenstein Carroll* BOULDER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

- 2013 *Milo Werner* TESLA MOTORS  
2012 *Jing Li* RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

## INTERNATIONAL

- 2023 *Elizabeth (Lizzie) Biney-Amisshah* TBRA X VENTURES  
2022 *Sarah Bieber* ACUMEN  
2021 *Rhonda Jordan Antoine* WORLD BANK  
2020 *María Hilda Rivera* POWER AFRICA  
2019 *Radhika Thakkar* GREENLIGHT PLANET  
2018 *Tania Laden* LIVELYHOODS  
2017 *Allison Archambault* EARTHSPARK INTERNATIONAL  
2016 *Jodie Wu* GREENLIGHT PLANET, NAIROBI, KENYA  
2015 *Anya Cherneff* EMPOWER GENERATION  
2014 *Ashley Murray Muspratt* WASTE ENTERPRISES HOLDING (USA) AND PIVOT LTD (RWANDA)

## LAW

- 2023 *Melinda Baglio* CLEANCAPITAL

## LAW AND FINANCE

- 2022 *Rachel Taow* GATEWAY FOR ACCELERATED INNOVATION IN NUCLEAR (GAIN) AT IDAHO NATIONAL LAB  
2021 *Johana Afenjar* CLEARWAY ENERGY GROUP  
2020 *Britta von Oesen* COHNREZNICK CAPITAL  
2019 *Becky Diffen* NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT US LLP  
2018 *Lauren Cochran* BLUE HAVEN INITIATIVE  
2017 *Sarah Valdovinos* WALDEN GREEN ENERGY  
2016 *Kathryn Zyla* GEORGETOWN CLIMATE CENTER  
2015 *Alina Zagaytova* FIRST SOLAR  
2014 *Phuong Phillips* SOLARCITY CORPORATION

## POLICY AND ADVOCACY

- 2013 *Rebecca Stanfield* NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL  
2012 *Margaret Downey* CAPE AND VINEYARD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

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**SOCIAL, ECONOMIC, & POLICY  
INNOVATION**

2023 *Jacquie Ashmore* NEW LEAF ENERGY

2022 *Ramsay Siegal* EARTHSHOT VENTURES

2021 *Kate Anderson* NATIONAL RENEWABLE  
ENERGY LABORATORY

**TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH &  
INNOVATION**

2023 *Jie Xiao* PACIFIC NORTHWEST NATIONAL  
LABORATORY

2022 *Y. Shirley Meng* THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

2021 *Maryam Saeedifard* GEORGIA INSTITUTE  
OF TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL OF ELECTRICAL  
AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

**SPECIAL COMMENDATION**

2015 *Kathy Swartz* SOLAR ENERGY INTERNATIONAL

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