



***The American Immigration Council welcomes you to the
17th Annual Immigrant Achievement Awards***

Honoring our immigrant past; shaping our immigrant future.

Our Mission

The **American Immigration Council** was established in 1987 as an IRS designated 501(c)(3), tax-exempt, not-for-profit educational, charitable organization.

Our **mission** is to strengthen America by honoring our immigrant history and shaping how Americans think about and act towards immigration now and in the future.

The American Immigration Council exists to promote the prosperity and cultural richness of our diverse nation by:

- Educating citizens about the enduring contributions of America's immigrants;
- Standing up for sensible and humane immigration policies that reflect American values;
- Insisting that our immigration laws be enacted and implemented in a way that honors fundamental constitutional and human rights;
- Working tirelessly to achieve justice and fairness for immigrants under the law.

The **American Immigration Council** believes that the dignity of the individual knows no boundary. Our nation's moral and ethical values must be reflected in the way we welcome immigrants.

Program

Opening Remarks

Mr. Benjamin E. Johnson

Executive Director, American Immigration Council

Welcome and Introduction of Honorees

Greta Kreuz

WJLA Reporter

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Vineet Singal

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Dr. Alfredo Quinones-Hinojosa

Johns Hopkins Hospital

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Dr. Jane Shaw

Intel Corporation

Stephen K. Fischel Distinguished Public Service Award

The Vilcek Foundation

Jan and Marica Vilcek

Closing Remarks

Mr. Benjamin E. Johnson

Executive Director, American Immigration Council



Master of Ceremonies

Ms. Greta Kreuz

WJLA Reporter

Greta Kreuz is a veteran reporter and Maryland Bureau Chief for ABC7/WJLA-TV. She joined the station in 1988 and has covered a wide variety of beats, including education, transportation and religion. She launched the religion beat in 1998, becoming the first full-time religion reporter for a Washington network affiliate, and earning much acclaim for her work.

Prior to that, Greta was the transportation reporter, covering such areas as commuter issues, highways, mass transit, the FAA and the airline industry. Her investigative reports on a major bogus parking ticket scam in the District earned her nominations for Emmy and AP awards.

Greta anchored the ABC7/WJLA-TV Morning News for seven years until leaving to cover the O.J. Simpson murder trial in Los Angeles. In 1996 she was one of a select handful of American journalists chosen to take part in a broadcast exchange program in Germany, where she appeared on the evening news in Berlin. She was also anchor of the ABC7/WJLA-TV Weekend Edition.

Greta began her journalism career as an award-winning newspaper reporter and photographer in the Chicago area. She then went on to radio, as news director for WVPO/WSBG in Pennsylvania.

Greta's began her career in television news as anchor/reporter for WBRE-TV in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. From there, she moved onto to WPRI-TV in Providence, RI and WBAL-TV in Baltimore. She has covered everything from Capitol Hill to the courts, presidents to Princess Diana. She has also done extensive reporting on children and family issues and hosted an acclaimed prime-time special, "Children First."

Off-screen, Greta is very active in the community, serving on various boards and working with her church and other non-profit organizations.



Youth Immigrant Achievement Award

Mr. Vineet Singal

Vineet Singal came to the United States from India, via Saudi Arabia and New Zealand with his parents who were in search of a more research-rich environment to practice medicine. When his family moved to the Bronx in New York City, Vineet found America's educational system and its culture strange and overwhelming. However, he channeled his energy into his studies and graduated as his high school's valedictorian and one of the top debaters in the country.

Vineet co-founded Anjna Patient Education, the first organization of its kind to specifically target free clinics for the purpose of providing quality health education programs to socioeconomically disadvantaged patients. He also launched 100KCheeks, an initiative to register 100,000 new bone marrow donors using the power of personal stories and social media.

Today, Vineet is a Stanford University student majoring in Biological Sciences and is also a social entrepreneur, activist, researcher, leader, dreamer and public servant fighting for greater access to quality and affordable healthcare for underserved communities.

Vineet was the 2010 Stanford representative to the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnership for his interfaith efforts and his work advancing community service activities at Stanford University. He also volunteers at Pacific Free Clinic and Arbor Free Clinic and is the undergraduate representative to the Stanford University Board of Trustees as a voting member of its Committee on Development. He is a Strauss Scholar, Goldwater Scholar, a Young People For Fellow, a Haas Fellow, a Irene and Eric Simon Brain Research Foundation Fellow, an NIH Cancer Research Training Award Fellow and was most recently awarded the Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans.



Immigrant Achievement Award

Dr. Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa

Johns Hopkins Hospital

Dr. Alfredo Quiñones-Hinojosa arrived in the U.S. without documents from Mexico when he was 19. He began his new life in America picking cotton, painting, and welding. His home was a trailer patched together with plywood and he later shared a one-room apartment with five other members of his family. One day in the fields he told his cousin he wanted to go to school, learn English, and have a better future, but his cousin looked at him in amazement and said, "This is your future! You came to this country to work in the fields just like us." Refusing to accept this, he began putting himself through school, learning English, tutoring other Spanish-speaking students in math and science, practicing his language skills on the debate team, and working as a welder for a railroad company.

In 1992, Quiñones happily quit his railroad job for good after receiving a scholarship to the University of California, Berkeley where he majored in Psychology. He went on to receive a medical degree from Harvard University, where he graduated cum laude. He then did his residency in Neurosurgery at the University of California, San Francisco, where he also completed a postdoctoral fellowship in Developmental and Stem Cell Biology.

Today, Dr. Quiñones is an Associate Professor of Neurological Surgery, Associate Professor of Oncology, Director of the Brain Tumor Surgery Program at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, and Director of the Pituitary Surgery Program at Johns Hopkins Hospital.



Immigrant Achievement Award

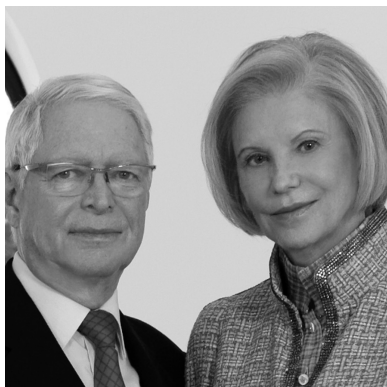
Dr. Jane Shaw

Intel Corporation

Dr. Shaw was born in England and came to the U.S. after receiving her PhD from Birmingham University to pursue post doctoral research. She has served on the Board of Intel since 1993, and as the Chairman of the Board of Intel, she is one of only two women who serve as independent Chairman of a Fortune 500 Board in California.

Dr. Shaw was the President and Chief Operating Officer of ALZA Corporation, a pharmaceutical company from 1987 to 1994. In 1995 Dr. Shaw founded Stable Network, a biopharmaceutical consulting firm and also worked as a Consultant in the biopharmaceutical industry since that time. Dr. Shaw was the Chair and Chief Executive Officer of Aerogen, a specialty pharmaceutical company developing drug-device combination aerosol products for patients with respiratory disorders, from 1998 to June 2005.

Dr. Shaw served as a Director of OfficeMax Inc. (formerly, Boise Cascade Corp.) from 1994 to 2006 and is also on the Board of the McKesson Corporation, the single largest health care company in the world, specializing in the distribution of health care systems, medical supplies and pharmaceutical products.



Stephen K. Fischel Distinguished Public Service Award

Vilcek Foundation

Dr. Jan Vilcek and his wife Marica defected from communist Czechoslovakia and arrived in the United States in 1965 with all their possessions packed inside a pair of suitcases.

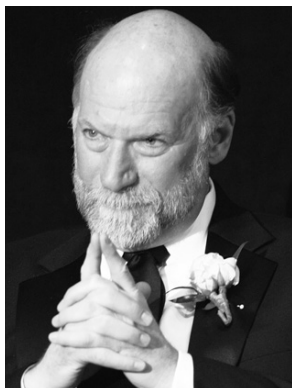
In 1989 Dr. Vilček and NYU colleague, Junming Le collaborated with the drug company Centocor to create Remicade, a potent anti-inflammatory agent used to treat over 2 million people suffering from rheumatoid arthritis, Crohn's disease, and other inflammatory diseases.

A few months after arriving in the US, Mrs. Vilcek joined the staff of The Metropolitan Museum of Art, an institution to which she eventually devoted 32 years focusing on collections management. Mrs. Vilcek has served as an independent consultant to several non-profit organizations, advised private collectors and corporations, and lectured widely on collections management.

Today, Dr. Vilcek is a Professor of Microbiology at New York University School of Medicine and Marica Vilcek is a respected art historian and curator. Together they founded the The Vilcek Foundation in 2000.

The Vilcek Foundation honors and supports foreign-born scientists and artists who have made outstanding contributions to the sciences, arts and culture in the United States. The mission of the Foundation was inspired by the couple's respective careers in biomedical science and art history, as well as their personal experiences and appreciation for the opportunities offered them as newcomers to the United States.

Through its prizes and other programs, the Vilcek Foundation publicizes the far-reaching influence of immigrants on the professional, academic, and artistic communities across the United States. The Foundation awards the annual Vilcek Prizes in the biomedical science and the arts, hosts immigrant artists at its gallery space in New York City, and sponsors programs such as the Hawaii International Film Festival.



Remembering **Stephen K. Fischel**

Stephen K. Fischel, our dear friend, revered colleague and strong Council supporter, died Saturday, June 28, 2008 at the age of 59.

Steve began his illustrious career nearly 35 years ago with the U.S. Department of State. A tireless public servant, Steve dedicated himself to shaping legislative policy at the Visa office, and, with his promotion in 1997 to the Director of the Office of Legislation, Regulations, and Advisory Assistance, the introduction of important technology into the Visa process, ultimately eliminating backlogs and greatly reducing processing times. He also participated on the President's Bilateral Migration Talks with Mexico in 2001, providing options to address the "regularization" of undocumented Mexicans, crafting a framework for a bilateral Temporary Worker Program, and designing significant reform to the H-2B program.

For this work and others, Steve received numerous awards, including the Secretary of State's Award and the Hammer Award for creating facilitative visa processing for the Atlanta Olympics. In 2006, the Council was proud to honor him with a *Distinguished Public Service Award* for his leadership and commitment to serving the public with integrity, knowledge, wit, common sense, and abiding courage.

Beyond sharing with us his professional knowledge and ideas, Steve was a strong leader and good friend to all of the Council – working tirelessly to promote the Council's mission, fundraising for our crucial work, and most importantly, acting as a steadfast friend to our staff and members. Quick with a joke, a wide smile and a good story, Steve always did his best to enliven any and all Council functions. He will be missed by us all.

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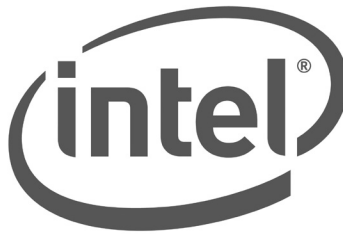
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