

ASME BPV Committee on Nondestructive Examination (V)

The Vanguard Pioneer Medal

Medal Criteria

The Vanguard Pioneer Medal is a Standards Committee level award designed to recognize members of the BPV Section V Standards Committee or one of its subordinate groups for long term distinguished service and achievement in Nondestructive Examination. The nature of the service meriting consideration for the award will encompass any of the vital activities within the Standards Committee that materially advance its overall purpose, including but not limited to leadership, administration, project management, technical guidance, diligence in the review of ballots, and consensus facilitation.

A primary reason for establishing this award is to ensure that the valuable contributions of outstanding member performance within the BPV Section V Standards Committee or one of its subordinate groups receive appropriate recognition from the BPV Section V Standards Committee.

One award may be distributed each year to an individual. The award shall consist of an appropriately worded Vermeil (preferred) or Bronze medal and a certificate.

Eligibility Requirements

Nominees for the Vanguard Pioneer Medal shall have a minimum of 10 years of service to the BPV Section V Standards Committee or one of its subordinate groups and shall have made significant contributions to the Committee.

Nominees may be current, past, or honorary members. Nominees may be a living or deceased member.

No individual may receive more than one Vanguard Pioneer Award.

Selection Process

The selection process for the award is the responsibility of the BPV Section V Executive Committee.

Nominations for the award may be made by any Standards Committee V member, past or present, who is familiar with the nominee's qualifications.

Nominations shall be made in writing to the Chairman of the BPV Section V Executive Committee as well as the cognizant ASME Staff Secretary.

The nomination letter shall include sufficient information to establish the nominee's qualification for the award.

The nominations should be submitted by January 15th of the year in which the award is to be presented, or such later date as the BPV Section V Executive Committee deems appropriate. Should more than one nomination be received for the annual award, the Executive Committee shall select (by voice vote or ballot) the most qualified candidate for that year's award.

The Executive Committee Chair shall request a ballot by the Standards Committee members for the award confirmation.

During the 1st scheduled Code Week (typically February), or such later date as the BPV Section V Executive Committee deems appropriate, the Executive Committee shall review nomination letters and select the year's recipient or make the decision that no award will be made that year.

Method of Recognition

The Vanguard Pioneer Medal should be presented to the recipient in person during the 2nd scheduled Code Week (typically May), when possible. If the recipient is not able to attend this meeting, the award presentation shall take place during a later mutually-agreeable meeting.

Vanguard Pioneer Medal recipients shall be additionally honored by name in a listing on the BPV Section V Standards Committee web page.