Innovative Collaboration Award
Honors a business/community/academic collaboration that has demonstrated leadership, dedication and excellence in delivering innovation to Minnesota’s technology-based economy and/or the Minnesota community in general.

Genesys Works

Cleantech Award
Recognizes businesses that manufacture environmentally sound products or solutions that reduce costs, inputs, energy consumption, waste or pollution.

Tennant Company

Green Award
Honors businesses that practice environmental awareness/responsibility and incorporate sustainability principles into their business model.

Asset Recovery Corporation

Advanced Manufacturing
Advanced materials and chemicals, machinery and equipment, electronics and components, measuring instruments, photonics, optics and lasers, and computer and peripheral equipment.

Small & Growing company: Hysitron, Inc
Established company: 3M

IT-Software & Hardware, Communications & Infrastructure
Software & hardware, networking, communications, and wireless equipment and products.

Small & Growing company: Global Traffic Technologies
Established company: Vital Images, Inc.

Life Sciences
Medical devices, diagnostics or equipment, agriculture, food science or pharmaceuticals.

Small & Growing company: CoreSpine Technologies, LLC
Established company: American Medical Systems

Technology Executive of the Year
Honors individual members of executive teams who are responsible for the advancement of technology and technology strategy within a company or organization.

Gene Lytwyn, WynEdge Software

Next Generation Technology Leader
Honors a high potential individual who is 40 years old or younger and responsible for, or assists in, the advancement of technology and technology strategy within a company or organization.

Ralph Awad, Visi

Technology Services
Finding innovative solutions for a client’s use of technology.

Small & Growing company: Open Access Technology International (OATI)
Established company: PearsonVUE

Technology User
Innovative application of products or services resulting in dramatic business improvement or market advantage

Cargill

Innovation in Teaching
Recognizes excellence in education by creating exciting learning opportunities for students through the innovative use of technology.

Scot Hovan, Mahtomedi School District

Technology Excellence in Higher Education or Non-Profit Organization
Honors a non-profit organization or educational institution whose innovative use of technology has or will allow the organization to more effectively deliver on its mission and serve the MN Community

Minnesota Planetarium Society

Small & Growing company: annual revenues under $50 million
Established company: annual revenues of $50 million+ or division within an established company that exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit