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NATIONAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS

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## 2022 NATIONAL VOLUNTEER AWARDS

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| Woman Changing the World Award             | Elizabeth Elting   |
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| Earl B. Beagle Award for Staff Excellence  | Youth Market Leadership Team   |
| AHA Healthcare Volunteer of the Year Award | Jason Zachariah  |
| AHA Physician of the Year Award            | Jennifer Mieres, M.D., FACC, MASNC, FAHA   |
| Distinguished National Leadership Award    | Donald M. Lloyd-Jones, M.D., ScM, FAHA   |
| Gold Heart Award                           | Get with the Guidelines® Quality Improvement Initiative<br>Clyde W. Yancy, M.D., M.Sc., FAHA<br>Gregg C. Fonarow, M.D., FACC, FAHA<br>Lee H. Schwamm, M.D., FAHA<br><br>John J. Warner, M.D., FAHA |



# Woman Changing the World AWARD

## Elizabeth Elting

Founder & CEO, Elizabeth Elting Foundation

### One thing people don't know about me is ...

“ I am a huge baseball fan. There's nothing I love more. From going to Mets games with my family growing up, to being an usherette for the Blue Jays all through college, to sharing my loyalties equally among the Mets, Yankees, Tigers, and Blue Jays—to keep all my family members happy!” ”

[Read Elizabeth Elting's feature story.](#)

### About the Award

Conferred upon one woman who is a leader in her field or community in driving significant change and outcomes that forward the American Heart Association's mission.



# Louis B. Russell Jr. MEMORIAL AWARD

## Andréa & Ken Frazier

*The Andréa W. and Kenneth C. Frazier Family Foundation*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ I played the violin and was a member of the Manhattan Opera Group Ensemble. ”

- Andréa

“ I haven't missed an Eagles game in 10 years. ”

- Ken

[Read Andréa and Ken Frazier's feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Honors outstanding contributions to communities of color and under-resourced populations.



# Morgan Stark MEMORIAL AWARD

## Ron W. Haddock

*Chairman & CEO, AEI Energy*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“To make money to support myself during college at Purdue University, I played trumpet in a dance band at many clubs.”

[Read Ron Haddock's feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Honors outstanding leadership in human resources,  
finances and organizational operations



# Voice of the Mission AWARD

## JT Laybourne

*TikTok Influencer & Heart Disease Survivor*

### One thing people don't know about me is ...

“ Most people don't know that I was the one who created the viral golf trick shot. I'll be in conversations with people and it'll get mentioned and it's always fun to tell them that was me. ”

[Read JT Laybourne's feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Recognizes an individual or a family who has made a major impact by using their voice and telling their personal story to amplify the American Heart Association's mission.



# Ron Haddock

## INTERNATIONAL IMPACT AWARD

### Sir Rory Edwards Collins, FRS

*Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology, and  
Head of the Nuffield Department of Population Health,  
Oxford University*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ Although I was not born with a silver spoon in my mouth, I was born with a gold sovereign in my hand. ”

[Read Sir Rory Edwards Collins' feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Named in honor of the American Heart Association's 2012-13 chairman of the board, Ron Haddock, for outstanding contributions to the achievement of international goals.



# Ron Haddock

## INTERNATIONAL IMPACT AWARD

### Middle East and North Africa Stroke Organization

One thing people don't know about me is ...

“ I am a history lover! I love to read everything about general history, food history, war history, civilizations and science history. ”

— Dr. Suhail Abdulla Al Rukn, *President, MENASO*

[Read MENASO's feature story.](#)

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AWARD OF  
*Meritorious Achievement*

**Carol Barr**

*In Memoriam*

[Read Carol Barr's feature story.](#)

— *About the Award* —

Presented for a specific accomplishment or project that supports the American Heart Association's national initiatives.



AWARD OF  
*Meritorious Achievement*

**Chris Tsakalakis**

*Chief Executive Officer, Kiva*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ Although I try to avoid gluten, I make sourdough bread for my family weekly. ”

[Read Chris Tsakalakis' feature story.](#)

*About the Award*

Presented for a specific accomplishment or project that supports the American Heart Association's national initiatives.



AWARD OF  
*Meritorious Achievement*

**CVS Health**

[Feature story coming soon.](#)

*About the Award*

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# AWARD OF *Meritorious Achievement*

## Quest Diagnostics

One thing people don't know about me is ...

“ I sang professionally. I opened for Bob Hope, was a multiple week winner of Showtime at the Apollo and was also selected to tour with 'Up With People' in 1987. ”

— Mandell Jackson, Vice President and General Manager,  
Quest for Health Equity, Quest Diagnostics

[Read Quest Diagnostics' feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

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# *Earl B. Beagle* AWARD FOR STAFF EXCELLENCE

## Youth Market Leadership Team

*Dawn Allenbaugh, National Center*

*Paisley Payton, National Center*

*Kim Adams, SouthWest*

*Abby Bartley, Eastern States*

*Kyle Bright, Western States*

*Bill Repke, Midwest*

*Jason Shields, Southeast*

[Read the Youth Market Leadership Team's feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Recognizes an employee who exemplifies leadership, professionalism, dedication and performance excellence.



AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION  
*Healthcare Volunteer*  
*of the Year*  
AWARD

## Jason Zachariah

*President, Integrated Solutions, LifePoint Health*

### One thing people don't know about me is ...

“ I'm Canadian – a “Newfie” born in Newfoundland when my parents immigrated to North America, where my dad went to medical school. I saw “Come From Away” about the hospitality of Newfoundlanders after multiple international flights landed there on September 11th. I am a proud Newfoundlander because they reminded the world about human kindness and the strength of humanity. ”

[Read Jason Zachariah's feature story.](#)

### *About the Award*

Celebrates achievements in cardiovascular diseases or stroke patient care, or improvements in the delivery of care.



AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION  
*Physician of the Year*  
AWARD

**Jennifer Mieres,**  
M.D., FACC, MASNC, FAHA

*Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer,  
Associate Dean Faculty Affairs,  
Northwell Health/Hofstra School of Medicine*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ In high school, I wrote calypsos during Carnival.  
I love to entertain and I dreamed of being a  
singer when I was growing up in Trinidad. ”

[Read Jennifer Mieres' feature story.](#)

*About the Award*

Honors longstanding commitment to the highest ideals of patient care and  
exemplary leadership in the American Heart Association's mission.



# *Distinguished National Leadership* AWARD

**Donald M. Lloyd-Jones,**  
M.D., ScM, FAHA

*President, 2021-22, American Heart Association*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ I'm headed soon to Alaska, which  
will be the 49th state I've visited. ”

[Read Donald Lloyd-Jones' feature story.](#)

*About the Award*

Presented to outgoing officers of the American Heart Association  
to recognize their exemplary service to its mission.



# Gold Heart AWARD

## Get with the Guidelines® Quality Improvement Initiative

One thing people don't know about me is ...



“ I'm a proud dog parent to Elliot Deacon, a delightful 2-year-old cockapoo. ”

— Gregg C. Fonarow, M.D., FACC, FAHA,  
Interim Chief,  
Division of Cardiology, UCLA



“ I'm a card-carrying member of the Screen Actors Guild. ”

— Lee H. Schwamm, M.D., FAHA,  
Vice President of Virtual Care,  
Mass General Brigham



“ I've communicated with fellow cardiologist Dr. Gregg Fonarow no less than every other day for years. ”

— Clyde W. Yancy, M.D., M.Sc., FAHA,  
Vice Dean of Diversity & Inclusion,  
Chief of Cardiology, Northwestern  
Feinberg School of Medicine

[Read the Get with the Guidelines team's feature story.](#)

### About the Award

The American Heart Association's highest volunteer honor, recognizing a lifetime of transformative contributions.



# Gold Heart AWARD

## John J. Warner, M.D., FAHA

*Executive Vice President,  
UT Southwestern Medical Center*

**One thing people don't know about me is ...**

“ I went to college planning to be a forest ranger. ”

[Read John Warner's feature story.](#)

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