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NSTF-South32 Awards

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Invitation: Live broadcast – 2020/2021 NSTF-South32 Awards

#NSTFAwards2021

You can now join the top scientists, the VIP's and the glitz and glamour at the 'Science Oscars' of South Africa, the prestigious [NSTF-South32 Awards Gala Event](#), from the comfort of your home.

The [National Science and Technology Forum \(NSTF\)](#), in partnership with South32, invites you to a celebration of the achievements of South African professionals, teams and organisations in science, engineering and technology (SET) and innovation in South Africa (SA). The live broadcast of the 23rd [NSTF-South32 Awards](#) will be screened on the NSTF's YouTube channel directly from the Awards Gala Dinners held in Cape Town and Johannesburg (Jhb) simultaneously.

Event details:

Date: Thursday, 30 September 2021
Time: 17:30 to 20:15 pm (SA time, GMT+2)
Keynote Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Higher Education, Science and Innovation, Dr Blade Nzimande (Patron: NSTF Awards)
Masters of Ceremony: Dr Gillian Arendse (Cape Town) and Ms Zai Khan (Jhb)
Registration: [Register](#) your details. After you have registered, you will receive an automated response to confirm your details, whereafter you will be directed to a web page providing the link to the live-streamed broadcast. Download the ICS attachment to schedule the time in your calendar.



The awards and youth: The Awards Gala Event includes recognition of [young people](#) who excelled in physical science and mathematics in the National Senior Certificate (Grade 12) examinations of 2020. Under the NSTF [Brilliants Programme](#), 21 students that enrolled for studies in SET-related courses at SA universities have been selected and will be recognised on this occasion. [South32](#) is sponsoring this unique programme this year together with the [Department of Science and Innovation](#). This year is the 20th anniversary of the Brilliants Programme.

In addition, [The Lewis Foundation](#) partnered with the NSTF this year to include recognition for 9 top achievers in matric physical science and mathematics, but who have chosen to study in biology- and environment- related courses. These 9 students are called the 'Biological and Environmental Science Top' students: the 'BEST' students. The sponsorship includes the participation of both the BEST and the Brilliants, in a tour in 2022 to the new Lapalala Wilderness School in the Waterberg, Limpopo. The tour will bring inspiration and awareness of the true value of the biodiversity of the natural world and our place within it.

Background on the NSTF and the Awards: The annual Awards is the [flagship project](#) of the NSTF. The NSTF is a [non-profit organisation](#) that has now existed and promoted [SET and innovation](#) in South Africa for [26 years](#).

The NSTF-South32 Awards recognise outstanding contributions to SET and innovation in the following broad areas under 12 [categories](#):

- Scientific research
- Innovation
- Management and related activities
- Capacity development in engineering research
- Water research and innovation
- Data management
- Science communication for awareness and outreach
- [Special Annual Theme Award](#), this year highlighting the creative economy for sustainable development

The NSTF looks forward to host you virtually to honour the [finalists](#) and to share the announcement of this year's illustrious winners with you.

About the NSTF

The National Science and Technology Forum (NSTF), established in 1995, is a broadly-representative stakeholder body for all science, engineering and technology (SET) and innovation organisations in South Africa, which seeks to influence policy formulation and delivery.

The NSTF Awards are unique in SA, recognising the outstanding contributions of individuals and groups to SET and innovation.

The science bursaries page provides information on bursaries and bursary providers for science, engineering and related studies.

STEMulator.org attracts learners and students to the exciting world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). It provides a virtual world full of stimulating content to excite and inform the youth, including STEM career guidance. Established under the auspices of the NSTF proSET membership sector (Professionals in *science, engineering and technology*).

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