



The Japan Society Award

Established in 1984, the Japan Society Award traditionally has been given to Japanese and Americans for outstanding contributions to better U.S.-Japan understanding. More recently, the Award looks to honor individuals regardless of nationality for their achievements in business, culture or civil society in contributing to relations with Japan in an international context.

2016	George Takei	2000	Shoichiro Toyoda
2015	Yoko Ono	1999	Sherman E. Lee and John M. Rosenfield
2014	George R. Packard	1998	Ezra Vogel
2013	Minoru Makihara	1997	Rockefeller Family
2012	Carlos Ghosn and Hiroshi Sugimoto	1996	Yukio Matsuyama
2011	Bobby Valentine and Seiji Ozawa	1995	Akio Morita
2010	Yotaro Kobayashi	1994	The Hon. Cyrus R. Vance
2009	The Hon. Peter G. Peterson and Nobu Matsuhisa	1993	John Whitney Hall and Marius Berthus Jansen
2008	The Hon. Daniel K. Inouye and Clint Eastwood	1992	Shijuro and Sadako Ogata
2007	Centennial Award - Shoichiro Toyoda	1991	The Hon. J. William Fulbright
2006	Donald Keene	1990	Akira Kurosawa
2005	The Hon. Paul A. Volcker	1989	Haruo Maekawa
2004	Fumihiko Maki	1988	Ambassador Edwin Reischauer
2003	The Hon. Thomas S. Foley	1987	Ambassador Robert Ingersoll
2002	The Hon. Norman Y. Mineta	1986	Shigeharu Matsumoto
2001	Mary Griggs Burke and Donald Richie	1985	Ambassador Michael Mansfield
		1984	Ambassador Nobuhiko Ushiba