



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.

2019	Toshiko Akiyoshi and Suki Terada Ports	2002	The Hon. Norman Y. Mineta
2018	Sir Deryck Maughan	2001	Mary Griggs Burke and Donald Richie
2017	Yuzaburo Mogi and The Hon. Caroline Kennedy	2000	Shoichiro Toyoda
2016	George Takei	1999	Sherman E. Lee and John M. Rosenfield
2015	Yoko Ono	1998	Ezra Vogel
2014	George R. Packard	1997	Rockefeller Family
2013	Minoru Makihara	1996	Yukio Matsuyama
2012	Carlos Ghosn and Hiroshi Sugimoto	1995	Akio Morita
2011	Bobby Valentine and Seiji Ozawa	1994	The Hon. Cyrus R. Vance
2010	Yotaro Kobayashi	1993	John Whitney Hall and Marius Berthus Jansen
2009	The Hon. Peter G. Peterson and Nobu Matsuhisa	1992	Shijuro and Sadako Ogata
2008	The Hon. Daniel K. Inouye and Clint Eastwood	1991	The Hon. J. William Fulbright
2007	Centennial Award - Shoichiro Toyoda	1990	Akira Kurosawa
2006	Donald Keene	1989	Haruo Maekawa
2005	The Hon. Paul A. Volcker	1988	Ambassador Edwin Reischauer
2004	Fumihiko Maki	1987	Ambassador Robert Ingersoll
2003	The Hon. Thomas S. Foley	1986	Shigeharu Matsumoto
		1985	Ambassador Michael Mansfield
		1984	Ambassador Nobuhiko Ushiba