

Mondale Award and Scholarship Gala

The award was named after Joan and Walter Mondale

Every year, the Japan America Society of Minnesota presents the *Mondale Award for Japan-Minnesota Partnership* to an individual or organization that has been nominated by the membership and selected by a committee of the Board of Directors.

Purpose: The Mondale Award for Japan-Minnesota Partnership is presented by JASM to recognize outstanding contributions to the building of understanding, cooperation and respect between the people of Japan and Minnesota.

Criteria: This award will be presented annually to the individual or organization based in Japan or Minnesota who has met one or more of the following criteria.

- Made a lifetime contribution to the Japan-Minnesota relationship through a variety of activities, projects and initiatives
- Provided leadership in a pivotal project which accelerated significant public awareness of Japan and/or Minnesota in the reciprocal region
- Played a crucial role in developing a lasting partnership or relationship between Japan and Minnesota
- Served as an official representative in fostering closer ties between Japan and the United States.

Recipients of the Mondale Award for Japan-Minnesota Partnership:

1997 Joan and Walter Mondale
1998 N.L. (Neal) Gault, Jr., MD
1999 Akiko Sako
2000 Ruth Tanbara
2001 Minnesota International Center
2002 Edson and Harriet Spencer
2003 Kimi Hara
2004 Diane and Evan Williams
2005 Saint Paul-Nagasaki Sister City Committee
2006 KCC – Japan Education Exchange
2007 Hiroshi Yamashita
2008 Chris Rossow
2009 Shirley E. Huskins and Charles J. Graham

2010 Masako and Dean Potter
2011 Takuzo Ishida
2012 Inkie Brons
2013 Yoshie Babcock
2014 Warren MacKenzie
2015 Mathew Welch
2016 Stanislaw Skrowaczewski and Yoko Breckenridge