

NSTF-South32 Awards



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Recognising excellence in science, engineering, technology and innovation in South Africa

Join the who's who of the science, engineering and technology (SET) and innovation community online and experience the glitz and glamour of the 'Science Oscars' of South Africa (SA), the prestigious [NSTF-South32 Awards Gala Event](#).

The [National Science and Technology Forum \(NSTF\)](#), in partnership with co-branding sponsor, [South32](#), invites you to a celebration of the achievements of South African professionals, teams and organisations in SET and innovation in SA. The live broadcast of the 26th [NSTF-South32 Awards](#), will be screened on the [NSTF's YouTube channel](#) directly from the gala dinners held in Cape Town and Johannesburg (Jhb) simultaneously.

Details of the online live broadcast directly from the gala dinners in Cape Town and Jhb:

Date: Thursday, 11 July 2024

Time: 18:00-21:30 (GMT+2)

Keynote Speaker: The Honourable Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Dr Blade Nzimande (Patron: NSTF Awards)

Guests of Honour: The Acting Director-General of the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI), Mr Daan du Toit (Johannesburg); and Dr Mmboneni Muofhe, Deputy Director-General, Socio-Economic Innovation Partnerships, DSI

Masters of Ceremony: Dr Gillian Arendse of iThemba LABS (Cape Town) and Ms Zai Khan of SAfm (Jhb)

Registration: [Register](#) your details. You'll receive an automated response to confirm your details, and directed to a web page providing the link to the live-streamed broadcast. Download the ICS attachment to schedule the event 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 2023. Under the [NSTF Brilliants Programme](#), 20 students who enrolled for studies in SET-related courses at SA universities will be recognised on this occasion. The [DSI](#) and the [South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions \(SACNASP\)](#) are the current sponsors of this unique programme. This year is the 24th round of the NSTF Brilliants Programme.

Educational tour: The Brilliants students are treated to an educational tour every year. This year the tour consists of visits to a variety of sites in the Western Cape that will introduce the students to new experiences of science, namely: agro-processing, space science (astronomy and earth magnetism), nuclear research, medical history, and biodiversity conservation. In particular, they will visit the Agricultural Research Council's (ARC) Deciduous Fruit, Vines and Wine facilities, iThemba LABS, South African Astronomical Observatory (SAAO), Heart of Cape Town Museum, Two Oceans Aquarium, the Iziko Museum and Planetarium, Hermanus Magnetic Observatory (HMO) of the South African National Space Agency (SANSA), Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, as well as Table Mountain.

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 [29 years](#).

The NSTF-South32 Awards recognise outstanding contributions to SET and innovation in the following broad areas under 15 [categories](#):

- Scientific research
- Innovation
- Management and related activities
- Capacity development in engineering research
- Environmental sustainability and biodiversity conservation
- Water research and innovation
- Medical research
- Science diplomacy
- Data management
- Science communication for awareness and outreach
- [Special Annual Theme Award](#), this year recognising the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) in South Africa

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.

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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
- gathers stakeholders around burning issues of national and global interest, across the public and private sectors, including matters of public policy
- includes a network of professional societies in SET and STEM education (STEM = science, technology, engineering and mathematics) - the NSTF *proSET* membership sector.
- recognises, awards and profiles the outstanding contributions of individuals and groups to SET and innovation through the prestigious NSTF Awards
- runs and supports collaborative projects and youth outreach, including recognition of top performance in mathematics and science, role modelling, bursary and STEM career information
- runs and supports the [STEMulator.org](#) which attracts youth and educators to Explore>Discover>Learn the world of STEM including careers. (Established by NSTF *proSET*)

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