



NOTABLE BALLOONIST CATEGORIES and Subcategories

Following is the list of notable balloonist categories and descriptions as identified by the Balloon Federation of America Hall of Fame Committee.

- **ACCOMPLISHMENTS/CONTRIBUTIONS**
 - American Challenge Winners
 - Gordon Bennett Winners
 - National Hot Air Competition Points Leader
 - National Crew Member of the Year
 - National Gas Balloon Champion Pilots and Co-pilots
 - National Men's Hot Air Balloon Champions
 - National Women's Hot Air Balloon Champions
 - Other Significant Contributions to Ballooning
 - Pilot Achievement Award Level 8 Recipients
 - Spirit of Annie Award Winners
 - World Gas Balloon Champion Pilots and Co-pilots
 - World Hot Air Balloon Champions
- **BFA PRESIDENTS**
- **DEVELOPMENT**
- **ED YOST AWARD RECIPIENTS**
- **FAI BALLOON HALL OF FAME MEMBERS**
- **MONTGOLFIER RECIPIENTS**
- **SHIELDS TRAUGER AWARD RECIPIENTS**
- **UNITED STATES BALLOON HALL OF FAME MEMBERS**

Note: Individual balloonist may be listed in one or more of the above categories and sub categories.

DESCRIPTIONS

Following are definitions for each of the categories identified as Notable Balloonists by the Balloon Federation of America Hall of Fame Committee.

Accomplishments/Contributions: This category contains balloonists who have attained notable accomplishments such as winning a national and or world hot air balloon championship, being a national hot air balloon competitive points leader, a winning pilot and copilot in a national or world gas balloon championship, a Gordon Bennett and or Americas Challenge. It also includes balloonists who have been selected as National Crew Person of the Year, been selected as the Spirit of Annie Award winner, who have received the Level 8 Pilot Achievement Award, or have made other significant contributions to the Balloon Federation of America or to the sport of ballooning.

BFA Presidents: This category contains balloonists who have served as President of the Balloon Federation of America.

Development: This category contains balloonists who have made significant contributions to the design or manufacturing of balloons, or contributions to the safety of the sport.

Ed Yost Master Pilot Award: This category contains balloonists who have earned the Ed Yost Master Pilot Award for 40 years of safe flying.

FAI/CIA International Balloon and Airship Hall of Fame: This category contains balloonists who have been inducted into the CIA International Balloon and Airship Hall of Fame.

United States Ballooning Hall of Fame Members: This category includes balloonists who have been inducted into the United States Ballooning Hall of Fame.

Montgolfier Ballooning Diploma: This category contains balloonists who have been presented the Montgolfier Ballooning Diploma by the CIA for the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year of a Gas balloonist; the best sporting performance in the previous Montgolfier year of a Hot Air balloonist; or a major contribution to the development of the sport of ballooning in general.

Records: This category contains balloonists who have established National or World records in the various subclasses of balloons and for altitude, distance, duration and other classes of flights.

Shields Trauger Award: This category contains balloonist who have been awarded the Balloon Federation of America's highest award for notable flights, for worthwhile contributions to the science of aviation, for important contribution to ballooning safety, or for exemplary service to BFA.