

From the Editor

Recognition Cast in Metal

Casting is at the center of the Award Season. In “The Making of Emmy,” we go behind the scenes at RS Owens in Chicago to see the real American

few actors seeing the awards being investment cast. <https://lnkd.in/gHsDBrud>. This approach is the most common method for crafting these pieces of art

casting approaches taken. But they all start with molten metal. Dozens of BAFTA awards are given out at the UK’s equivalent of the Oscars in mid-February. The statues themselves are created several weeks before the ceremony at a foundry west of London, molded by hand in sand and cast in bronze. <https://youtu.be/BFHt2a3YTuU?si=y01GkFemCn9d7Ke0>

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craftsmanship behind the Emmy statuette. https://lnkd.in/gTD_TYTK

Since “casting” is an integral part of any successful production, it is appropriate that a casting is used to recognize achievements. Among the next up is the SAG (Screen Actors Guild) Award. It is probably my favorite of the cast awards. Following is a link to a short video of a

given to acknowledge achievements and accomplishment.

After the Emmy, Grammy, Golden Globe, and SAG comes the BAFTA (British Academy of Film and Television Arts) awards. Whether investment casting, permanent mold, or chemically bonded sand, these awards show the diversity of the various

Then comes the pinnacle of the award season, the most watched presentation show, and the one synonymous with statuette awards, The Oscars. It is often called the Golden Man. An Oscar is Born—is a great video about how the granddaddy of awards is born. <https://lnkd.in/g29WdVjN>

As this award season ends, our industry is not to be outdone. We now take our turn to use the timeless art of casting to create recognition cast in metal. Some of these annual awards include The Winged Victory, given to the annual AFS Hoyt Memorial Lecturer. The AFS Applied Research Award recognizes those conducting AFS funded research that transfers research and technical development to the metalcasting industry and actively applies research on the factory floor with emphasis on practical research that directly addresses pressing technical

problems faced by metalcasting facilities, the speed with which the research is transferred into shop floor applications, and the collaborative role in developing and implementing technology. The Jack F. Steele Excellence in Marketing Award recognizes a company, individual or group for achievements in promoting business and the metalcasting industry through an outstanding marketing message. The AFS Howard F Taylor Award is given for the paper having the greatest long-range technical significance in the field of cast metals technology with emphasis on the

paper's long-range technical implications to our industry and encouraging technical excellence in an industry which requires the very best talents of its technical people. These awards recognize work which lifts the sights of our industry to the future and temporarily away from our day-to-day problems. So, take the time to congratulate those from our industry that will be receiving these and other AFS awards at our annual Metalcasting Conference in Milwaukee Wisconsin (April 23-25, 2024), your acknowledgements will be appreciated.



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