CogSci 2012 Awards

Marr Prize
The Marr Prize, named in honor of the late David Marr, is awarded to the best student paper at the conference. All student first authors were eligible for the Marr Prize for the best student paper. The Marr Prize includes an honorarium of $1,000 and is sponsored by The Cognitive Science Society. The winner of the 2012 Marr Prize for Best Student Paper is:

George Kachergis, Chen Yu, and Richard M. Shiffrin: Actively learning nouns across ambiguous situations (Friday, 13:00, Track 1)

Computational Modeling Prizes
Four prizes worth $1,000 each are awarded for the best full paper submissions to CogSci 2012 that involve computational cognitive modeling. The four prizes represent the best modeling work in the areas of perception/action, language, higher-level cognition, and applied cognition. These prizes are all sponsored by The Cognitive Science Society. The winners of the 2012 Computational Modeling Prizes are:

Applied Cognition
Yugo Hayashi: The effect of “Maverick”: A study of group dynamics on breakthrough in collaborative problem solving (Saturday, 14:10, Track 3)

Perception/Action
Kevin A. Smith & Edward Vul: Sources of uncertainty in intuitive physics (Friday, 12:40, Track 5)

Language
Noah D. Goodman & Andreas Stuhlmüller: Knowledge and implicature: Modeling language understanding as social cognition (Friday, 15:20, Track 1)

Higher-Level Cognition
Doug Markant & Todd M. Gureckis: Does the utility of information influence sampling behavior? (Saturday, 12:20, Track 4)

Cognition and Student Learning (CaSL) Prize
The Cognition and Student Learning (CaSL) Prize is an honorarium of $1,000 that is awarded to the best paper on research conducted on a topic directly related to cognitive science, educational practice, and subject matter learning. This prize is sponsored by the Institute of Education Sciences (IES). The winner of the 2012 Cognition and Student Learning Prize is:

Azadeh Jamalian & Barbara Tversky: Gestures alter thinking about time (Thursday, 14:10, Track 4)
Student Travel Awards

Travel awards have been provided to students whose papers were accepted as oral presentations with the highest reviewer rankings, and who indicated a need for travel funding. The Robert J. Glushko and Pamela Samuelson Foundation generously sponsored $10,000 for student travel awards for these papers. The 2012 Travel Awards went to:

Ricky Chan (Department of English, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong)
Gregory Cox (Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Indiana University)
Sarah Dolscheid (Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen)
Annie Gagliardi (Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland)
Linn Gralla (Department of Linguistics and Literary Sciences, Universität Bremen)
George Kachergis (Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Indiana University)
Jorie Koster-Hale (Department of Brain and Cognitive Sciences, Massachusetts Institute of Technology)
Yakov Kronrod (Department of Linguistics, University of Maryland)
Andrew Lovett (EECS Department, Northwestern University, Illinois)
Doug Markant (Department of Psychology, New York University)
Long Ouyang (Department of Psychology, Stanford University)
Michael Pacer (Department of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley)
Patrick Plummer (Department of Psychology, University of California, San Diego)
Anna Rafferty (Computer Science Division, University of California, Berkeley)
Felix G. Rebitschek (Department of Psychology, University of Greifswald)
Kevin Smith (Department of Psychology, University of California, San Diego)
Sergiu Tcaci Popescu (Laboratoire Psychologie de la Perception, CNRS & Université Paris Descartes)
Tomoki Tsuchida (Department of Computer Science and Engineering, University of California, San Diego)
Joseph Jay Williams (Department of Psychology, University of California, Berkeley)
Ewelina Wnuk (Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen)
Daniel Yurovsky (Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Indiana University)

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