Flash Memory Summit Announces 2020 Best of Show Award Winners

*18 Winners Lead the Flash Memory and Solid State Storage
Technology Innovation and Industry Expansion*

SANTA CLARA, CA – November 11, 2020 – Flash Memory Summit, the industry's largest trade show dedicated to Flash Memory and Solid State storage technology, presented its 2020 Best of Show Awards in a virtual ceremony today. This year's 18 awards demonstrate that the industry continues to grow and innovate, thus impacting a new decade of expansion within the global Flash Memory and Solid State Storage industries.

"We had a record year with the largest number of submissions ever for our Best of Show Awards," said Jay Kramer, FMS Awards Program Chair, and President of Network Storage Advisors, Inc. "We were absolutely thrilled to see so much innovation with these best-in-class product solutions leveraging flash memory and solid state storage, and these will drive the next generation of data centers and cloud infrastructure."

The 15th Annual Flash Memory Summit Best of Show Award Winners are as follows:

Most Innovative Flash Memory Customer Implementation
Product: **Hyperparallel Flash Array for Facial Recognition**
Customer: **US Federal Government Agency**
Company: **Pavilion Data**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Startup
Product: **X-NAND**
Category: **Hardware Architecture**
Company: **NEO Semiconductor**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Startup
Product: **FC4012 Flash Controller and DELTA SSDs**
Category: **Flash Controller**
Company: **FADU Technology**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Consumer Application
Product: **FuzeDrive SSD**
Company: **Enmotus**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Consumer Application
Product: **ArmorLock Encrypted NVMe SSD**
Company: **Western Digital**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Enterprise Business Application
Product: **SCM and QLC NVMe SSDs for Databases**
Company: **Pliops**

Most Innovative Hyperscaler Implementation
Product: **FS1600 Storage Cluster**
Company: **Fungible**

Most Innovative AI Application
Product: **DGX A100 and DGX A100 SuperPOD**
Category: **System Architecture**
Company: **NVIDIA**

Most Innovative AI Application
Product: **ESS3000**
Category: **All Flash Storage Array**
Company: **IBM**

Most Innovative AI Application
Product: **Apollo System on Chip with MRAM**
Category: **System on Chip**
Company: **Ambiq**

Most Innovative AI Application
Product: **Weka Accelerated DataOps for AI**
Category: **Software-Defined Technology**
Company: **WekaIO**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: **Optane™ Persistent Memory**
Category: **SSD**
Company: **Intel**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: **NVMe RAID Accelerator for HPE OS Boot Device**
Category: **Controller and System**
Company: **Marvell and HPE**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: **QLC-based FlashArray//C**
Category: **All Flash Storage Array**
Company: **Pure Storage**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: **LightSpeed Storage Architecture**
Category: **Hardware and Software Architecture**
Company: **VAST Data**

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: EDSFF E3.S SSD and Storage System
Category: Industry Standards
Company: KIOXIA

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: NVMe Zoned Namespaces (ZNS)
Category: Industry Standards
Company: NVM Express®

Most Innovative Flash Memory Technology
Product: Native NVMe-oF Drive Spec Version 1.0.1
Category: Industry Standards
Company: SNIA Object Drive Technical Work Group (TWG)

Details of the award-winning companies, innovative products and solutions can be found at: https://flashmemorysummit.com/English/News_Info/Best_of_Show/BOS_Winners.html

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In its 15th year, the Flash Memory Summit showcases the mainstream applications, key technologies, leading vendors, and innovative startups driving the multi-billion-dollar non-volatile memory and SSD markets. FMS is now the world's largest event featuring the trends, innovations, and influencers leading the adoption of flash memory in demanding enterprise storage, high-performance computing, and cloud systems.

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