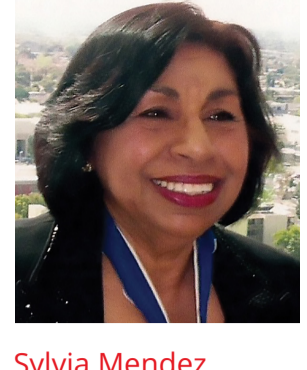




**2017 NCLR ANNUAL CONFERENCE JULY 8-11**  
 NATIONAL COUNCIL OF LA RAZA PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER

# NCLR CONFERENCE PAST AWARDEES

## GRACIELA OLIVAREZ LA RAZA AWARD



Sylvia Mendez

The Graciela Olivarez La Raza Award, named in honor of Graciela Olivarez for her lifetime commitment to Hispanic women's rights, is presented to an individual or organization that has made the most significant contributions in promoting the interests of Hispanic Americans. Graciela Olivarez, who rightly earned the title "Amazing Grace," led the 1972 campaign to require equal representation of men and women on the NCLR Board of Directors. She was also the first woman to graduate from Notre Dame Law School, and later became the highest-ranking Hispanic woman in President Carter's administration. The recipient of this award must have done work for the betterment of the Hispanic community which is national in scope as well as recent and relevant to contemporary Hispanic America.

### Past honorees include:

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|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1985..... Honorable Esteban E. Torres       | 2004..... Maria Elena Durazo                                 |
| 1991..... Dr. Antonia Pantoja               | 2005..... Adelfa and Bill Callejo                            |
| 1992..... Lena Guerrero Santos              | 2006..... Vilma Martinez                                     |
| 1993..... Honorable Miriam Santos           | 2007..... Paul Chavez                                        |
| 1994..... Charlie Ericksen                  | 2008..... Antonia Hernández                                  |
| 1995..... Eunice Diaz                       | 2009..... Anthony D. Romero                                  |
| 1996..... Alex Mercure                      | 2010..... Honorable Phil Gordon                              |
| 1997..... Baldemar Velasquez                | 2011..... Honorable Maria Otero                              |
| 1998..... Frank Sherry                      | 2012..... Reverend James Manship and Angel Fernandez-Chavero |
| 1999..... Cushing Dolbeare                  | 2013..... Anna Maria Chávez                                  |
| 2000..... Honorable Xavier Becerra          | 2014..... Gloria Molina                                      |
| 2001..... Honorable Antonio V. Villaraigosa | 2015..... Dr. Juliet V. Garcia                               |
| 2002..... Arturo Rodriguez                  | 2016..... Sylvia Mendez                                      |
| 2003..... Mari Carmen Aponte                |                                                              |

## MACLOVIO BARRAZA AWARD FOR LEADERSHIP



Dr. Richard Izquierdo

The Maclovio Barraza Award for Leadership, named in honor of the NCLR Board of Directors' founding chairperson, recognizes an individual whose leadership has served as a source of strength and support to the Hispanic community. Maclovio Barraza, a lifelong labor activist, helped organize the International Union of Mine, Mill, and Smelter Workers, and was part of its executive board until 1967 when it merged with the United Steelworkers Union. At the time of his death, he was leading major negotiations to improve the conditions of Hispanics working in the copper industry in Arizona. The recipient of this award must have worked for the betterment of the Hispanic community at the local level, and his or her contributions must be recent and relevant to contemporary Hispanic America.

### Past honorees include:

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|-------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1985..... Honorable Ricardo Manuel Urbina | 1999..... Judge Albert Peña             | 2007..... Emilio Estefan, Jr.   |
| 1991..... Everett Alvarez, Jr.            | 2000..... Sr. Alicia Cuarón             | 2008..... Founders of HOPE      |
| 1992..... Donald E. Mroscak               | 2001..... Lorraine Lee                  | 2009..... Rosie Perez           |
| 1993..... Honorable Ed Pastor             | 2002..... Guarione Diaz                 | 2010..... José M. Hernández     |
| 1994..... Polly Baca                      | 2003..... Judge Armando de Leon         | 2011..... Jorge Muñoz           |
| 1995..... Guadalupe Reyes                 | 2004..... Honorable Ed Pastor           | 2012..... Raynaldo L. Martinez  |
| 1996..... Bernie Valdez                   | 2005..... Father Gregory J. Boyle, S.J. | 2013..... Salvador Longoria     |
| 1997..... Tomas Atencio                   | 2006..... Dr. Walter Sava               | 2014..... Angelica Salas        |
| 1998..... Dr. Juan Romagoza               |                                         | 2015..... Luis Garden Acosta    |
|                                           |                                         | 2016..... Dr. Richard Izquierdo |

## RUBEN SALAZAR AWARD FOR COMMUNICATIONS



María Celeste Arrarás

The Ruben Salazar Award for Communications, named in honor of the distinguished journalist who was killed on August 29, 1970, by a policeman's tear gas projectile while covering an antiwar march in East Los Angeles, annually recognizes an individual who has dedicated his or her life to promoting the accurate and positive portrayal of Hispanic historical, political, economic, and cultural contributions to American society. Salazar began a career in investigative reporting which took him from a position as a young reporter with the *El Paso Herald-Post* to the city room of the prestigious *Los Angeles Times*. Salazar covered the war in Vietnam, revolutionary tumult in Latin America, and day-to-day events in Mexico City. He was among the first Hispanics to become prominent and well-respected in journalism. The recipient of this award must be a communications professional who has dedicated his or her professional life to portraying issues, concerns, and/or news relevant to contemporary Hispanic America.

### Past honorees include:

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1985..... René Enríquez        | 2000..... Award not presented          | 2008..... Juan Williams          |
| 1991..... Joaquin Blaya        | 2001..... Commissioner Gloria Tristani | 2009..... John Quiñones          |
| 1992..... Paul Rodriguez       | 2002..... Jorge Ramos                  | 2010..... Lori Montenegro        |
| 1993..... Little Joe Hernandez | 2003..... Frank del Olmo               | 2011..... Ignacio E. Lozano, Jr. |
| 1994..... Liz Balmaseda        | 2004..... Alex Nogales                 | 2012..... Rossana Rosado         |
| 1995..... Jose Luis Ruiz       | 2005..... Soledad O'Brian              | 2013..... Raquel "Rocsi" Diaz    |
| 1996..... Ray Suarez           | 2006..... Maria Elena Salinas          | 2014..... José Díaz-Balart       |
| 1997..... Juan Gonzalez        | 2007..... Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez       | 2015..... Mandalit del Barco     |
| 1998..... Maria Martin         |                                        | 2016..... María Celeste Arrarás  |
| 1999..... Maria Hinojosa       |                                        |                                  |

## ROBERTO CLEMENTE AWARD FOR SPORTS EXCELLENCE



Orlando Cruz

The Roberto Clemente Award for Sports Excellence, named in honor of the athlete considered by many to be the greatest outfielder in baseball, is presented to an individual or organization renowned in the world of sports, as well as committed to the advancement of Hispanic Americans. During his career, Clemente won four batting titles and was voted the Most Valuable Player (MVP) in the National League (1966) and the World Series (1971). He was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame in 1973. It was his charitable efforts that led to his tragic death; on New Year's Eve 1972, he was aboard a plane with relief supplies for the earthquake victims of Managua, Nicaragua, when the aircraft crashed at sea. The recipient of this award must be a sports professional who has found ways to positively portray Hispanic Americans and bring awareness and solutions to issues that affect contemporary Hispanic America.

### Past honorees include:

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|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1992..... Tommy Nuñez              | 2006..... Arturo "Arte" Moreno    |
| 1993..... Henry J. "Hank" Aguirre  | 2007..... Award not presented     |
| 1994..... Jose "Chegui" Torres     | 2008..... Luis Castillo           |
| 1995..... Tony Casillas            | 2009..... Anthony Muñoz           |
| 1996..... Gustavo Gil              | 2010..... Carlos Delgado          |
| 1997..... Rudy Galindo             | 2011..... Thomas R. "Tom" Flores  |
| 1998..... Paul Gonzalez, Jr.       | 2012..... Jesse James Leija       |
| 1999-2002..... Award not presented | 2013..... Orestes "Minnie" Miñoso |
| 2003..... Joe Kapp                 | 2014..... Manny Mota              |
| 2004..... Tabare Ramos             | 2015..... Cookie Rojas            |
| 2005..... Award not presented      | 2016..... Orlando Cruz            |

## RAUL YZAGUIRE PRESIDENT'S AWARD



The NCLR President presents the Raul Yzaguirre President's Award to an individual or organization that has shown outstanding support for NCLR's mission, goals, and philosophy.

### Past honorees include:

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| 1985..... Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) and Lodwick M. Cook | 2002..... Arabella Martinez                             |
| 1991..... Peter H. Coors                                        | 2003..... Honorable Ciro Rodriguez                      |
| 1992..... Dr. Antonia C. Novello, M.D.                          | 2004..... Jennifer Maloney                              |
| 1993..... Herman E. Gallegos                                    | 2005..... Alex Wallau                                   |
| 1994..... H.J. (Jack) Young                                     | 2006..... Honorable Raul Yzaguirre                      |
| 1995..... William S. Randall                                    | 2007..... Honorable Henry G. Cisneros                   |
| 1996..... Susan Vail Berresford                                 | 2008..... Gara LaMarche and The Atlantic Philanthropies |
| 1997..... Steven S. Reinemund                                   | 2009..... Monica Lozano                                 |
| 1998..... Catherine P. Bessant                                  | 2010..... Lionel Sosa                                   |
| 1999..... Joseph B. Gleason                                     | 2011..... José H. Villarreal                            |
| 2000..... State Farm Insurance Companies                        | 2012..... Christine M. Owens                            |
| 2001..... Honorable Rubén Hinojosa                              | 2013..... Luis Ubiñas                                   |
|                                                                 | 2014..... Eva Longoria                                  |
|                                                                 | 2015..... Tony Salazar                                  |
|                                                                 | 2016..... Award not presented                           |

## AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR AWARD



The Affiliate of the Year Award is the highest honor bestowed upon an NCLR Affiliate for its exemplary work in serving the Latino community and advancing the mission of NCLR.

### Past honorees include:

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1985..... Home Education Livelihood Program, Inc. (HELP)                               | 2002..... Alivio Medical Center                                       |
| 1991..... Nebraska Association of Farmworkers, Inc. (NAF)                              | 2003..... Texas Migrant Council, Inc. (TMC)                           |
| 1992..... Centro de la Comunidad Unida/United Community Center (UCC)                   | 2004..... CASA de Maryland, Inc.                                      |
| 1993..... Mujeres Latinas en Accion                                                    | 2005..... Congreso de Latinos Unidos                                  |
| 1994..... Friendly House                                                               | 2006..... Carlos Rosario International Career Center                  |
| 1995..... Hispanic Office of Planning and Evaluation (HOPE)                            | 2007..... CentroNía                                                   |
| 1996..... Center for Training and Careers, Inc. (CTC) and Youth Development Inc. (YDI) | 2008..... Committee for Hispanic Children and Families (CHCF)         |
| 1997..... El Hogar del Nino                                                            | 2009..... Instituto del Progreso Latino                               |
| 1998..... Spanish Speaking Unity Council                                               | 2010..... Mujeres Latinas en Acción                                   |
| 1999..... Amigos Del Valle                                                             | 2011..... Mary's Center                                               |
| 2000..... Centro de Salud Familiar La Fe                                               | 2012..... Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans (AAMA) |
| 2001..... United Migrant Opportunity Services (UMOS)                                   | 2013..... Southwest Key Programs, Inc.                                |
|                                                                                        | 2014..... Congreso de Latinos Unidos                                  |
|                                                                                        | 2015..... El Concilio                                                 |
|                                                                                        | 2016..... Hispanic Unity of Florida                                   |

## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The NCLR Lifetime Achievement Award is not given annually, but rather very rarely; only when the organization feels specially moved to recognize a person for the cumulative impact of his or her whole life on our community.

### Past honorees include:

- 1997..... Ana G. Mendez