

# Editorial

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**I**N 2021, *TVCG* received more than 1,000 paper submissions including revisions. Reviewing this many papers and making sure that all of them receive a fair, accurate, and timely review takes a lot of work and dedication. Many people, Associate Editors and Expert Referees, must all work together to accomplish such a monumental task. I read each and every review that comes across my desk and I am often astounded by the amount of insight they deliver, both to me and to the authors. The reviews by the referees and the summarizing recommendations by the Associate Editor is all I have available to render my decision on whether to accept the paper, ask for further revisions, or decline it. Very few authors ask for clarification and even fewer, if any, express unhappiness. I attribute this to the high quality of the reviews which clearly outline the strengths and weaknesses of each paper in a justifiable and clear manner.

As we see 2021 fading in the rearview mirror, award season has arrived. It was a tough task to select the Best of the Best, but finally the award committee composed of myself and the five Associate Editors-in-Chief Dough Bowman, Jean-Daniel Fekete, Tao Jun, Shixia Liu, and Han-Wei Shen converged on a set of award winners. In our choice we tried to split the awards evenly among the three main *TVCG* research areas: VIS, CG, and VR/AR. Drumrolls.

The **2021 Best Associate Editor Award** goes to Yang Liu, Ross Maciejewski, and Christian Sandor, while **Honorary Mentions** go to Kai Hormann, Hui Huang, Evangelos Kalogerakis, Anatole Lécuyer, Benjamin Lok, Maud Marchal, Melanie Tory, Bernhard Preim, and Chaoli Wang.

The **2021 Best Reviewer Award** goes to Oliver van Kaick, Eike Langbehn, and Junpeng Wang, while **Honorary Mentions** go to Stefan Bruckner, Soumya Dutta, Niklas Elmqvist, Paul Guerrero, Xiaoguang Han, Florian Heimerl, Yuta Itoh, Rüdiger Westermann, and Jiazhi Xia.

I thank not only the honored individuals, but really everyone who has contributed to the lasting success of *TVCG* as the top journal of our field. All the best for 2022.

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