The 9th Annual Prismatic Pride Awards

ION Arizona is proud to highlight some of the people who make the Phoenix LGBT family and community shine a little bit brighter and more colorfully. These valuable men and women contribute so much to make us proud.

Community Outreach

Dr. Neal Lester

Compassion, empathy, forgiveness, integrity, kindness. Dr. Lester is the founding director of Arizona State University's Project Humanities, a program bringing humans in action with community outreach, sharing the experience through bringing people together, talking, listening and connecting. Dr. Lester's passion for exploring issues about race, as well as gender and sexuality foster overcoming fear and prejudice. Project Humanities community outreach received a commendation from His Holiness, the 14th Dalai Lama, the spiritual leader of Tibet. How often does anybody get an accolade like that?