

1890 LAND GRANT UNIVERSITIES

1875	ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY
1871	ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY
1887	CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY
1891	DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY
1887	FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY
1895	FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY
1886	KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY
1897	LANGSTON UNIVERSITY
1866	LINCOLN UNIVERSITY
1891	NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY
1876	PRARIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY
1872	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY
1880	SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE
1912	TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY
1881	TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY
1873	UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT PINE BLUFF
1886	UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE
1882	VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
1891	WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

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ASSOCIATION OF 1890 RESEARCH DIRECTORS
RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM
AWARDS BANQUET
2026



TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2026 | 7:00 PM
INNOVATIONS IN FOOD, HEALTH & AGRICULTURE:
TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS,
ECOLOGICAL RESILIENCE AND ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY

Morrison-Evans Outstanding Scientist Award Recipients

1994	Arthur O. Tucker	Delaware State University
1997	Tommie L. Coleman	Alabama A&M University
2000	Tilahun Sahlu	Langston University
2003	Robert W. Taylor	Alabama A&M University
2006	Udai Bishnoi	Alabama A&M University
2009	Young W. Park	Fort Valley State University
2011	Gulnihal Ozbay	Delaware State University
2013	Channaptna S. Prakash	Tuskegee University
2017	Yadong Qi	Southern University
2019	Salina Praveen	Univ. of Maryland Eastern Shore
2022	Chyi-Lyi (Kathleen) Liang	North Carolina A&T State University
2024	Ali Fares	Prairie View A&M University

Awards Banquet Program

Orlando F. McMeans, Presiding
Interim President, Southern University System
Chancellor and Dean, Southern University AgCenter

The Occasion	Cherese W. Casson Dean and Research Director Delaware State University
Recognition of Special Guests	Ami M. Smith Associate Provost and Dean & Director West Virginia State University
Invocation	Christopher C. Mathis, Jr. Interim Dean and Research Director University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff

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B.D. Mayberry Young Scientist Award Recipients

1997	Rebecca T. Lochman	University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff
2000	Teferi D. Tsegaye	Alabama A&M University
2003	Niki Whitley	University of Maryland Eastern Shore
2006	James O. Bukenya	Alabama A&M University
2009	Dahlia Jackson O’Brien	Delaware State University
2013	Erica Knight-Styles	Fort Valley State University
2017	Raymon Shange	Tuskegee University
2019	Venkateswara R. Sripathi	Alabama A&M University
2022	Gregory Bernard	Tuskegee University
2024	Anul Chiluwal	Kentucky State University

Presentation of ARD Exceptional Service Award	Wesley L. Whittaker ARD Chair, Langston University
Presentation of Walter A. Hill Distinguished Service Award	Walter A. Hill Special Assistant to the President, Tuskegee University
Presentation of the McKinley Mayes Mentoring Award	Moses T. Kairo Dean and Extension Director, University of Maryland Eastern Shore
Presentation of B.D. Mayberry Young Scientist Award	G. Dale Wesson Dean and Research Director, Florida A&M University
Presentation of the Outstanding Scientist Morrison-Evans Award	Radiah C. Minor Interim Dean and Research Director, North Carolina A&T State University
Recognition and Appreciation - Research Directors Emeriti	Wesley L. Whittaker
Closing Remarks	Orlando F. McMeans