



## **INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR CARING COMMUNITIES**

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Dear Mr. H. Lee Wainwright,

It is my honor and personal pleasure to inform you that you have been selected to receive the “*ICCC International Visionary*” award to be presented Wednesday 24 April during the Creative and Innovation Luncheon to be held in the West Terrace Delegates Dining Room of United Nations Headquarters in New York. This event has been organized to honor world leaders for their creative innovations that have enhanced society in both developed and developing countries. We are delighted to have Ms. Fumiko Green and Dr. Matthew Bartels as Luncheon Co-Chairs for this special event.

The establishment of this award embodies the recognition of leaders whose visionary foresight, exceptional leadership, and innovative endeavors have significantly enriched society. Your unique talents and distinguished leadership roles within various professional international and national organizations have not only catalyzed paradigm shifts of the possibilities inherent in LED/Fiber Optic technology. As a pioneering innovator of applied technology across multiple industries and educational institutions, your contributions have been profound. Since the late 1980s, you've traversed diverse sectors including fashion, toys, and entertainment, championing the integration of illuminated technologies into various applications. Furthermore, your commitment to knowledge transfer is evident through collaborations such as contributing authorship to college textbooks like "Designing, Evaluating, and Applying Electronic Textiles" and the development of fiber optic-based STEM kits, aimed at inspiring students of all ages to explore the vast opportunities offered by fabric enhancements, ranging from smartphone-controlled fabric displays to light therapy devices. Your future endeavors hold great promise, particularly in the field of healthcare, where your innovative E-Textile has demonstrated potential in alleviating the effects of eczema, reducing pain, improving circulation, and even combating tumors. We eagerly anticipate your continued contributions and groundbreaking advancements in this evolving landscape.

The event includes a *Creative Arts presentation, formal luncheon and awards program beginning at 12:30 pm Sharp!* It is organized to stimulate new “mindsets” that foster sustainable cities, communities, and the role of partnerships. ICCC since 1993 has highlighted the contributions that individuals have made to the betterment of society. Over 50 renowned world leaders have received the ICCC Awards. Prior winners of the ICCC Awards include:

- Mr. John Kent, President and Founder of Equitable Communities’
- Dr. Motoo & Dr. Emiko, Founders of the Open City Institute
- Ms. Tingyu Gong, Executive Director, Fortune Global Holdings’ Limited, China-Chain Enterprises Limited
- Mr. William Colson, President, Holiday Retirement Corp
- Dubi Municipality, UAE accepted by H.E.Qassim Sultan, Director General
- Governor Jaime Lerner, State of Parana, Brazil
- Adele C. Smithers-Fornaci, Present Smithers Foundation
- Dr. Yeou-Cheng Ma, M.D. Clinical Professor and Executive Director, Children’s Orchestra Society
- Odetta, Folk-Singer and ethno-musician

We hope you will accept this ICCC award and if so, we look forward to greeting you on 24 April at the United Nations.

Wishing you continued success and all the best,

Yours sincerely,

Dianne Davis, Founding President, ICCC