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## **Carnegie Mellon University's Robotics Institute Receives Carnegie Science Center's Prestigious Chairman's Award**

PITTSBURGH—Carnegie Mellon University's Robotics Institute took center stage Friday night at the Carnegie Science Center's (CSC) 2008 Science Awards event. The institute received the CSC's prestigious Chairman's Award, which recognizes organizations that bring economic growth to the western Pennsylvania region.

The university's Entertainment Technology Center also was honored for contributions to information technology and Associate Physics Professor Tiziana Di Matteo was recognized as an emerging woman scientist.

Robotics Institute Director Matt Mason accepted the award for the institute. "The Chairman's Award is a wonderful tribute to the faculty, staff, and students of the Robotics Institute. Everybody associated with the Robotics Institute over its 25 year history can take pride in this recognition," he said.

"The Carnegie Science Awards program is truly a showcase of regional science and technology," said Joanna Haas, director of the Science Center. "The people and organizations being honored are making enormous — and astounding — contributions to our region. Some are developing cutting-edge processes and materials to heal wounds and save lives, others are looking at ways to save energy and conserve our planet's resources. Still others are being honored for their contributions to our region as employers, communicators and visionaries."

The Carnegie Science Center Awards program was established in 1997 to recognize and promote outstanding science and technology achievements in western Pennsylvania. To date, the events have celebrated the accomplishments of more than 200 individuals and organizations.

The CSC Award program is sponsored by the Science Center in partnership with Eaton Corp., a diversified industrial manufacturer with sales of \$13 billion.

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