

Featured News

Your Donations in Action

Thanks to generous contributions to the Foundation's 2024 Annual Appeal, we were able to award **31** student scholarships, the most in Foundation history! Your support allows us to foster the next generation of cardiovascular ultrasound professionals and ensures that echocardiography will continue to play a prominent role in the future of healthcare.

Join us in congratulating our 2025 student scholarship award winners. Each student will receive a \$1,000 scholarship to support their school expenses, complimentary registration to the [ASE's 2025 Scientific Sessions](#), and a \$1,000 travel grant to support their attendance in Nashville, TN.

Katanick Student Scholarship Award

Naficeh Dastgheyb - UCSF Cardiac Sonography Program

Alan D. Waggoner Student Scholarship Award Winners

Emma Antonissen - Bellin College Diagnostic Medical Sonography - Cardiovascular Program

Rachel Araway - South Hills School of Business & Technology

Jonathan Cloud - Hoffman Heart School of Cardiovascular Technology

Shaylie Coleman - Prisma Health Cardiovascular Technology Leadership Program

Faith Derengowski - Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography

Madison Dowdy - Duke University School of Medicine Cardiac Ultrasound Program

Kristi Ebert - Central Piedmont Cardiovascular Technology

Dania Elia - Grossmont College Cardiovascular Technology

Rania Rorawi - LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans

Joshua Fries - Yale New Haven Hospital School of Diagnostic Ultrasound

Stephanie Ha - Grossmont College Cardiovascular Technology

Kayla Hong - UCSF Cardiac Sonography Program

Jenna Justice - Cleveland Clinic School of Cardiac Ultrasound

Andrew Landry - The Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Cardiac Sonography

Meg Malenke - Milwaukee Area Technical College

Jenna Meili - Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences

Noweeda Mirza - Mayo Clinic ACS Program

Alexandria Nolan - Cleveland Clinic School of Cardiac Ultrasound

Avery Ongman - Duke University School of Medicine Cardiac Ultrasound Program



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Reference:

1. Optison [prescribing information]. Marlborough, MA: GE Healthcare. 2021.

Ramsey Paige - Northside Hospital School of Echocardiography
Kayla Powell - Yale New Haven Hospital School of Diagnostic Ultrasound
Quentin Remley - Mayo Clinic School of Health Sciences
Sunni Rice - South Hills School of Business & Technology
Augustina Saavedra-Lincoln - University of Wisconsin Hospital School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Jessica Salaja - Aurora St. Luke's Medical Center School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Sadeen Sarhan - Prisma Health Cardiovascular Technology Leadership Program
Chloe Stanish - Hoffman Heart School of Cardiovascular Technology
Julie Vang - Milwaukee Area Technical College
Lucy Winger - University of Wisconsin Hospital School of Diagnostic Medical Sonography
Danielle Zinno - Morristown Medical Center School of Cardiovascular Technology

Announcements

Early-Career Development Grants Available for Echo Scientists *Apply Today*

The application is open for the 2025 [Early-Career Development Grant for Echo Scientists \(EDGES\)](#).

This annual funding opportunity **awards three grants worth up to \$25,000 USD** to fund projects that address a clinical gap in cardiovascular ultrasound imaging through research led by an early career scientist. There are no specific research themes that will be prioritized, and clinical gaps may include, but are not limited to: new imaging technologies, novel approaches or populations for diagnostic imaging, ultrasound therapy, workflow automation, or patient/practitioner safety. Physicians, PhDs, veterinarians, sonographers, and other healthcare professionals who are within seven years from completing their training are eligible to **apply now through June 16, 2025**. The principal investigator must be an active ASE member.



16th Annual Research Awards Gala

The [ASE Foundation's 16th Annual Research Awards Gala](#) will be **Saturday, September 6**, at the Omni Nashville Hotel in downtown Nashville, TN. Advanced tickets are required so make sure you secure your golden ticket for our premiere fundraising event! The evening, which celebrates ASE's 2025 Award Winners, will begin at 6:30 PM with a cocktail reception, followed by dinner, award presentations and conclude with a nightcap and dancing.

Registration for tables and individual tickets is open. Log in to the [ASE Portal](#) and select Events from the left-hand menu. Contact Gala@ASEcho.org with any questions.

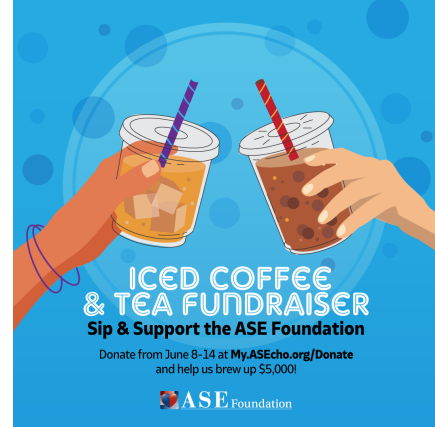


ICED Coffee and Tea Day - Save the Date

Summer is heating up and we need your help to cool it down! The Foundation's Annual Coffee Day

fundraiser is happening in June this year, and our goal is to brew up **\$5,000**.

Ground rules: plan to [buy us a cup](#) of ICED coffee or tea between **June 8 – 14**. [Donations will be accepted online in the ASE Portal](#). You can also join cool beans **Judith Becker, MD**, and **Brittany Byrd, RDCS, FASE**, in livin' la vida mocha to make an early pledge by contacting Foundation@ASEcho.org. If you donated to our Spring Giving fundraiser, you must also donate to Iced Coffee and Tea Day to be eligible for the [Three for Free Raffle](#).



2025 Photo Exhibit – *The Heart & Soul of Home*

The beautiful photo exhibit that ASE members have come to know and love will be on display at the Foundation's Booth at the ASE Scientific Sessions in Nashville, TN.

The theme for this year's exhibit is [The Heart & Soul of Home](#). ASE members will be invited to share photos that showcase their hometown/city/country. Photos can include landscapes, monuments, or any other features that reflect what the area is "known for"—what makes it special and unique—in essence, capturing the heart and soul of your home. Please note photos should not feature individuals, including selfies or family pictures. Entries will be accepted June 1 – July 6. Submission details available online [here](#).



It's not too early to start thinking about your 2025 charitable contributions.
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