

## Hershel M. Rich Invention Award

The **Hershel M. Rich Invention Award** is awarded to two Rice individuals/groups (graduate, undergraduate or faculty members) who have created or developed an original invention.

*Required:* One nomination letter and an electronic description of the original invention.

*Prize:* certificate and **\$7,500 each (Two separate awards at \$7,500 each)**

Inventor Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Inventor Department(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Invention: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe the invention in 500 words or less. Attach the invention disclosure as an appendix.
2. Explain the impact of this invention, including whom it will benefit, what problem it solves, and the potential for commercialization. (100 words)
3. List all co-inventors, affiliations and their relative contributions to this invention as approximate percentages.
4. Identify all recognitions this invention has received (i.e., RBPC, professional society award, technology publication recognition, etc.)
5. Report on the current status of the invention by answering the items below.

Disclosure	Yes	No	
Provisional patent application	<b>Date</b>		
Non-provisional patent application	<b>Date</b>		
Patent application to be submitted	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
Technology licensed <i>(If yes list name of company)</i>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
Technology license in progress	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	
Start up contemplated	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	