

# The 2015 Alvin Seiff Award

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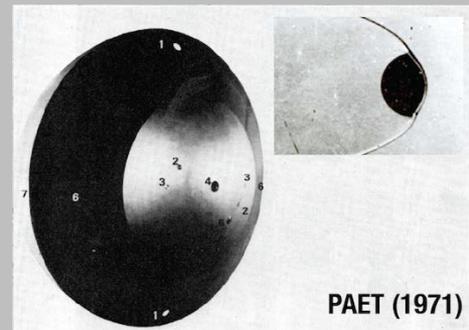
## Boris Ragent

*The International Organizing Committee (IOC) of the International Planetary Probe Workshop (IPPW) bestows the 2015 Alvin Seiff award upon Boris Ragent in recognition of his outstanding contributions to our understanding of planetary atmospheres and cloud structure, including service as the Principal Investigator for the Pioneer Venus and Galileo Nephelometers, the co-PI, with former Al Seiff award winner Jaques Blamont, of the VEGA Nephelometer, as well as significant mentoring and teaching of the next generation, including positions at Stanford and the University of California extension system.*

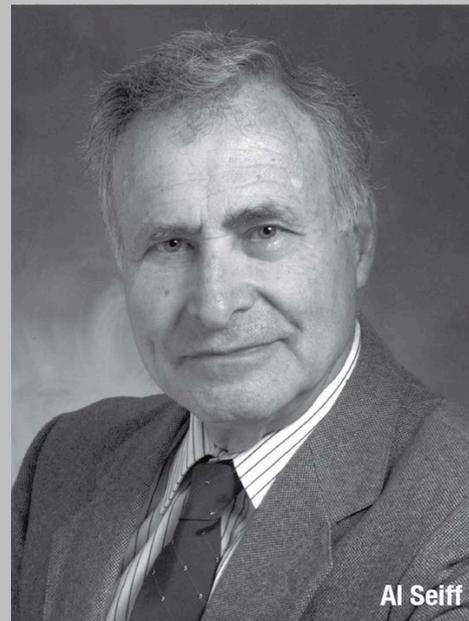
*The award is bestowed annually by the IOC of the IPPW in recognition of outstanding contributions in the technology, science, and/or mission planning of atmospheric entry probe missions that advance the knowledge of planets or moons in the solar system, and the mentoring of young engineers and scientists in these fields. These traits are those for which Seiff was legendary in his pioneering of our field.*



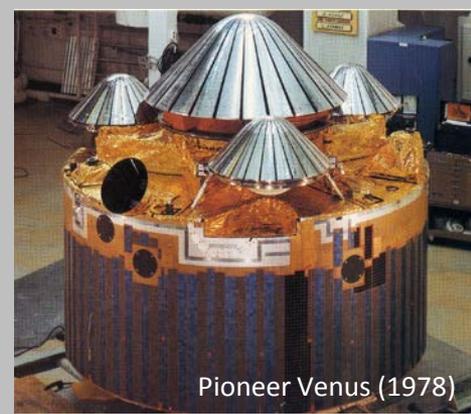
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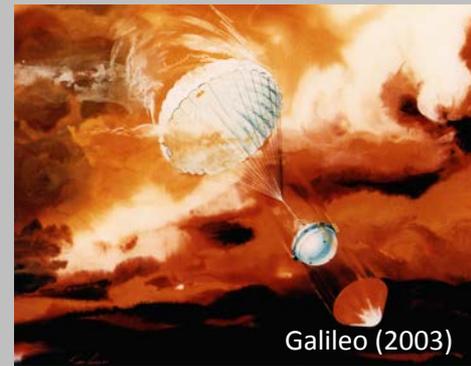
PAET (1971)



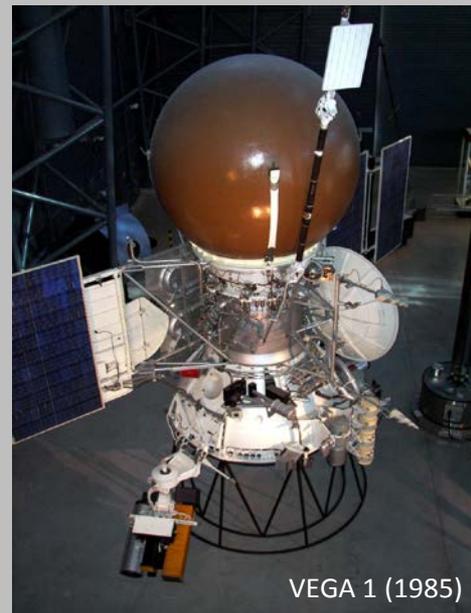
Al Seiff



Pioneer Venus (1978)



Galileo (2003)



VEGA 1 (1985)