

## Defense AT&L Magazine an APEX Award Winner—Again

The *Defense AT&L* magazine in June won a 2015 APEX Award for Publication Excellence. The APEX Awards have broad national participation from publications in both the private and public sectors.

APEX 2015 Awards were based on outstanding graphic design, editorial content and “overall communications effectiveness and excellence.”

This was *Defense AT&L*'s second APEX award in two years. The award was given in the category of Magazines, Journals & Tabloids—Print 32 or more Pages for *Defense AT&L*'s January–February 2014 issue (Vol. XLIII, No. 1, DAU 236), featuring a cover story on micro machines used in defense systems.

The winners for *Defense AT&L* were managing editor/senior editor of Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Press Benjamin Tyree and assistant art director Tia Gray and the magazine's Editorial, Art and Production Staffs. The other staff members involved in *Defense AT&L* production include Randy Weekes, DAU Visual Arts and Press director; Frances Battle, production manager; Harambee Dennis, art director; Collie Johnson, online supplemental content editor; Michael Shoemaker, editorial support; Debbie Gonzalez, copy editor and circulation manager; and Noelia Gamboa, editorial support.

*Defense AT&L*'s sister DAU publication, the *Defense Acquisition Research Journal (ARJ)*, also won a 2015 APEX Award for One-of-a-Kind Publications—Government for its January 2015 issue,



which focused on “Augustine’s Laws,” the somewhat irreverent observations of Norman Augustine, retired Lockheed Martin chairman and former Army Under Secretary, about the defense acquisition system.

There were 1,851 entries in all categories, including 390 magazines, journals and tabloids from corporate and government publishers at the national and state levels. Other award winners included Ford Motor Company's *Product Information Book*; American Council of Engineering Companies; AARP (American Association of Retired Persons); Computer Sciences Corp.; Merrill Lynch Clear Site; Colorado State University; NASA Armstrong Flight Research Center; the *VFW Magazine*; Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative; *REALTORS* magazine; and the Military Officers Association of America.

APEX Awards are sponsored by the consultants at Communications Concepts Inc., of Springfield, Virginia.

DAU President James P. Woolsey said: “The magazine is an important means by which the workforce receives and understands the policy of our leadership. ... I can tell you that the magazine is still one of the most ubiquitous reminders of what DAU is, what we do, and how well we do it. ... As with the *Defense AT&L* magazine, the high quality of the *ARJ* is an important way to present DAU to our stakeholders. Double congratulations to all!”