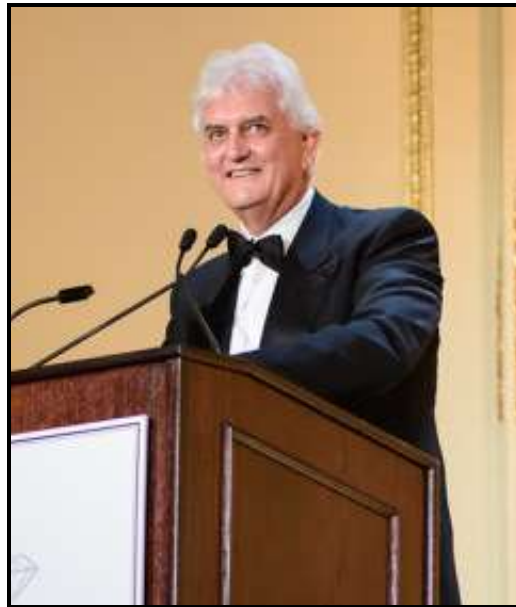


# AGTA news

American Gem Trade Association

## The 24K Club of Southern California Announces the 2017 Honorees for the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner Dance and Gala

DALLAS, TX (June 28, 2017) - The American Gem Trade Association (AGTA) is thrilled to announce that Douglas K. Hucker, CEO of AGTA, will receive the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Jewelers 24 Karat Club of Southern California 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner Dance and Gala on October 14 in Beverly Hills, CA. "I started my jewelry career in Los Angeles at the GIA and one of my first forays into industry associations was to join the Southern California 24 Karat Club. I have for many years enjoyed the comradery made lifelong friends. To be honored by a club that means so much to me is something I truly treasure" stated Douglas K. Hucker. AGTA Member, Avi Raz of A & Z Pearls, Inc. will receive the Excellence in Service Award along with the Bhindi Family of Bhindi Jewelers.



*Douglas K. Hucker, CEO of AGTA*



*Avi Raz of A & Z Pearls, Inc.*



*Bhindi Family of Bhindi Jewelers*

The 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dinner Dance and Gala will be held at the Beverly Hills Hotel in Beverly Hills, CA on Saturday, October 14, 2017 at 6:30pm. For tickets, sponsorship, and more information on the honorees, please contact Loretta Castoro at [info@jewelers24kclub.com](mailto:info@jewelers24kclub.com) or call 865.789.0690.

### About Jewelers 24 Karat Club of Southern California

The Jewelers 24 Karat Club was founded in 1944 to promote ethical practices and to further the honor and tradition of the jewelry industry. The club offers a variety of membership meetings, presentations and special events to its members throughout the year.

### About the American Gem Trade Association

The American Gem Trade Association is a not-for-profit Association serving the natural colored gemstone and cultured pearl industry since 1981. The AGTA serves the industry as "The Authority in Color" and has its headquarter office in Dallas, Texas.