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## **LAI International Recognizes San Diego's Roger Showley with International Journalist of The Year Award**

*Distinguished San Diego Journalist Receives Global Honor*

San Diego, CA, **September 9, 2022** – LAI (Lambda Alpha International) San Diego chapter member, Roger Showley, has been awarded the “International Journalist of The Year” Award from LAI International. This award is conferred on a journalist who demonstrates a sustained, exemplary contribution to a national or regional body of work, and whose efforts have contributed to a greater understanding of land economics principles, practices, and awareness. San Diego's Roger Showley emerged as the top nominee from a pool of candidates submitted by LAI's 29 global chapters.

After a distinguished career of 45 years in journalism, Showley retired in March 2018. He is a former staff writer of San Diego's largest media company, the San Diego Union-Tribune. Most recently, he covered San Diego County's growth and development, including residential and commercial real estate, planning, design, historic preservation, downtown and suburban trends, and San Diego history. Throughout his career, Showley received numerous journalism awards and was a regular panelist on San Diego KPBS news shows. In addition to his journalistic accomplishments, he has written seven books, journal articles on San Diego history, and taught local history classes at the University of California, San Diego, his alma mater. Most recently he served as president of the Balboa Park Committee of 100, a group working to preserve the iconic urban park's 1,200 acres of historic architecture, 17 museums, abundant gardens, world-famous San Diego Zoo, and numerous other public spaces since 1967.

Economist Alan Nevin, LAI San Diego member and LAI Fellow, states, “Roger Showley was the voice of real estate for more than 40 years at the San Diego Union-Tribune. His knowledge of real estate and all the players in it remains unsurpassed.”

### **About Lambda Alpha International**

LAI (Lambda Alpha International) is an honorary society for professionals in the field of Land Economics. Celebrating more than 90 years, the organization was founded at Northwestern University by Professor Richard T. Ely. Currently, LAI has nearly 30 chapters including Toronto, London, Madrid and Tokyo. The San Diego chapter was founded in 1979. Since then, the chapter has continued to expand and now has more than 100 members. For more information, visit [www.lai.org/chapters/san-diego](http://www.lai.org/chapters/san-diego).

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