

HackerNoon's 3rd annual Noonies Awards Highlight Global Tech Stars to Watch in 2022

HackerNoon, the technology publishing company, in partnership with Avast, ByBit, and Dottech Domains has released the results of 2021 Noonies Awards.

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[HackerNoon](#), the technology publishing company, announced [the results of their third annual Noonies awards](#). This year the Noonies have been brought to us in partnership with Avast, Bybit and Dottech Domains. All winners and runner ups can be found at [Noonies.Tech](#).



HackerNoon announced the winners of Noonies 2021

Since November 2021, the Noonies have generated over 105k votes across 4,961 nominees for 586 awards across 6 different categories. Compared to the previous years, 2021 Noonies went a step further in proving they're the greenest and most democratic award on the internet by allowing the HackerNoon community to suggest their own awards on top of nominating the people behind up-and-coming tech, as well as movers and shakers in the internet industry.

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“The Noonies is a great reminder that there always could be another brilliant, curious and empathic mind on the other side of the screen,” said HackerNoon Founder/CEO David Smooke. “I’ve enjoyed reading a ton of the nominees. Plus, the winners get free domains, VPNs and

NFTs! I’ve enjoyed continuing to evolve our Noonies Voting Software into a place where the community can better decide who deserves internet awards.”

The campaign has generated a creative buzz of self expression through a series of interviews with technology leaders. Around the internet here’s what people had to say about the Noonies this week:

"Super excited! The worldwide internet has officially voted and it has declared me the winner of @hackernoon Contributor of the Year - INTERNET-OF-THINGS for 2021. #noonies #hackernoon Time to celebrate!" - Sadia Mehmood

"I won THREE @hackernoon #Noonies2021 awards!

- The 2021 Cloud Engineering contributor of the year (Honorary Award)
- Developer Defying Patriarchy
- Contributor of the year - Books

Thank you all for voting, I appreciate it ☺☺

Thank you @hackernoon for the recognition" - Adora Nwodo

The winners have been announced on Valentine's day (symbolically, to show the love to the best and brightest according to the internet).

In the January 2022 HackerNoon shareholder letter, Developer Storm Farrell described HackerNoon's Noonies Voting Software evolution as "A total revamp: we migrated our database for the Noonies from legacy Prisma DB to Firebase, both for current and previous years to ensure our award links remain evergreen. The frontend got a new lick of paint, a dark mode, and several speed improvements over past iterations. We also resolved several SEO shortfalls from 1.0/2.0 versions to boost organic traffic."

Here are some of the most attention grabbing Noonie Awards of this year:

Gaming

Blockchain Game Developer of the Year

2021 was a good year for gaming, especially when it came to blockchain games. However, only one developer could win the Blockchain Game Developer of the Year. This year it was Splinterlands with 2,406 votes!

Internet

Critical Thinker of the Year

2021 was a wild year, from beginning to end. That's why we needed a critical thinker to help us make sense of all of it. No person was more prepared for the job than Nebojsa "Nesha" Todorovic, the winner of the Critical Thinker of the Year award! Nebojsa won out in the end with

529 votes.

Software Development

Top Programming Guru

Programming can be a tricky field to dive into. It gets even trickier when you don't have a good teacher to guide you. That's where Programming with Mosh comes along, the winner of the Top Programming Guru award! With 8,015 votes, Mosh stood the tallest in the end.

Other categories in the software development section included the Developer Defying Patriarchy (While Being an Awesome Developer) and HackerNoon Contributor of the Year - Angular.

Technology

Founder of the Year

It's hard to venture out into your own path, especially when it comes to creating your own company. That's why we're proud to celebrate founders around the world, including Hayden Hughes, the Founder of the Year!

Other coveted categories in the technology section included HackerNoon Contributor of the Year - Entrepreneur and HackerNoon Contributor of the Year - Business.

All Noonies 2021 winners are being rewarded with their own Noonies NFT, free non-premium dottech domain, and an Avast Secure Browser PRO and Premium Security Subscription.

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