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## Digest #283

When preparing the digest each week, I don't pick a theme in advance. Instead, seemingly unrelated articles come my way and sometimes a theme emerges. This week's theme appears to be *winners and honors*. My favorite is the founder's story behind Musician's BASS, the grand prize (\$20K) winner at the Startup Challenge. We have two other stories about Startup Challenge. On honors, guess which local startup was named one of the best big data companies and CEOs to work for?

There's more, so scroll down and start reading!

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## Top Stories

**Musician's BASS wins the top award (\$20K) for "Excellence in Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Commercialization" at the Startup Challenge. Here's the founder's story. [Read this article.](#)**

**Startup Sandbox biotech incubator announces a new strategic partnership with Menlo Park law firm Carr & Ferrell LLP. [Read this article.](#)**

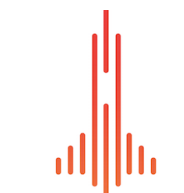
**\$60,000 in prize money goes to the top contestants in the 10th annual Startup Challenge Monterey Bay. [Read this article.](#)**

**Looker was named one of best big data companies and CEOs to work for in 2019. [Read this article.](#)**

**Lise Getoor, director of UCSC's D3 Data Science Research Center and professor of computer science and engineering was honored with 5th annual Women in Science and Engineering Award. [Read this article.](#)**

**Mohamed Abousalem, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research at UCSC, will become San Jose State's first Vice President for Research and Innovation. [Read this article.](#)**

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UCSC professor will lead a cross-country team of researchers working on "assured autonomy in the contested environment." Know what that is? [Read this article.](#)

Cabrillo's Cybersecurity summer camp offers local youth the chance to dive into a growing tech field early -- for free. [Read this article.](#)

MBEP provides a comprehensive recap of its recent 5th Annual Regional Economic Summit. If you weren't able to attend, take a look. [Read this article and watch the videos.](#)

Charge City, a turnkey charging solution for electric vehicles, wins Student Division at the Startup Challenge, beating out two other finalists for \$1,500 in seed money. [Read this article.](#)

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## Events

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Note: Dates, times, and locations are all subject to change. Be sure to check the event's website, just in case!

- Sat Jun 1, 9am-2pm: [Seaside and Marina Early Care and Education HACKATHON](#), Monterey Bay Events Center, 249 10th St, Marina.
- Tue Jun 4, 7-9pm: [Santa Cruz Drupal User's Group](#) at NextSpace.
- Wed Jun 5, 7:30-9pm: [How a NASA Mission Sparked the Search for Life Beyond Earth](#), Rio Theatre, Santa Cruz.
- Wed Jun 5, 6pm: [Santa Cruz New Tech's Get Hired](#) at Poly (formerly known as Plantronics), 345 Encinal St, Santa Cruz.
- Sat Jun 8, 10am: [Santa Cruz Web Developers Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Sat Jun 8 - Sun Jun 9: [UCSC Games Showcase](#) at Digital Arts Research Center, 407 McHenry Rd. UCSC.
- Mon Jun 10, 6pm: [Santa Cruz PyLadies Meetup](#) at NextSpace.
- Tue Jun 11, 12noon-1pm: [NextTalk Series: Using Brand Storytelling To Supercharge Your Marketing](#) at NextSpace.
- Tue Jun 11, 6pm: [Startup Monterey Bay Tech Meetup](#), 656 Broadway, Seaside.
- Tue Jun 11, 6pm: [Monterey Bay](#)



[Information Technologists Meetup](#),  
Pacific Grove.

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