

## 2024 NCRAL Region Award

- This year's recipient:
  - Club secretary
  - Board member
  - Membership Chair
  - Newsletter Editor
  - Publicity committee member
  - Media liaison for the MAS
  - Social media manager
  - Solar Eclipse Ambassador
  - Slooh Ambassador
  - Observatory key holder
  - Open House Committee Chair
  - Mentor to younger members
  - Citizen Science Programs
    - Unistellar Project UNITE Nasa Exoplanet data gathering
  - Horwitz-Deremer Planetarium staff member



Matthew Ryno  
Milwaukee Astronomical Society

This year's recipient of the NCRAL Region Award is Milwaukee Astronomical Society's Matthew Ryno. The Region Award is NCRAL's most prestigious award given to a member who demonstrates extraordinary skill, generosity and devotion to promoting amateur astronomy and supporting NCRAL goals and events. The above slide detailing Matt's accomplishments was shown at the NCRAL 2024 conference in DePere, WI. Though impressive, this list doesn't do justice to his high level of involvement and commitment to popularizing the hobby. In the month after the conference, Matt was elected vice-president of MAS and has also volunteered to serve on the newly formed NCRAL 2025 conference committee. Obviously, he is not one to rest on his laurels. Congratulations to Matt for receiving the 2024 NCRAL Region Award.

*Alan Sheidler*

Alan Sheidler, NCRAL Chair