



Neighborhood Achievement Awards

Presented to NYC Small Businesses

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Last night, Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and Small Business Services Commissioner Robert W. Walsh awarded 17 small businesses from the five boroughs at the Ninth Annual Neighborhood Achievement Awards.

“Many of New York City’s local businesses and community members play a vital role making our neighborhoods great places to live, work, and visit,” Bloomberg said.

The gala honored individuals, organizations, and businesses that embody the dedication and success of the estimated 300 different-neighborhoods of NYC.

The 2010 Neighborhood Achievement Award winners are:

The Leadership Award

- George Kaufman, Chairman of Kaufman Astoria Studios and President and CEO of Kaufman Realty Corporation
- Mary Wittenberg, President and CEO of the New York Road Runners

The Small Business of the Year Award

- sweetriot
- Akwaaba Mansion Bed and Breakfast
- Formula “B” Parisien Beauty School

- South Bronx Food Cooperative
- Atlantic Salt, Inc.

Norman Buchbinder neighborhood Beautification Award

- Out2Play, Inc.
- The Trust for Public Land New York City Program

The Development Award

Dumbo Improvement District for The Archway

The Partnership Award

Volunteers of Legal Service

The Placemaking Award

Food Vendors Committee of Red Hook Park Inc. (The Red Hook Food Vendors)

The Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Advocate of the Year Award

- Reverend Jacques A. DeGraff, Vice President of One Hundred Black Men, Inc.
- Alfred Placeres, Founder and President of the New York State Federation of Hispanic Chambers of Commerce and Director of the United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Foundation

The Workforce Innovation Award

Eugenio Maria de Hostos Community College

Service Award

- Stuart Saft, Partner and Head of the Global Real Estate Practice at Dewey & LeBoeuf, LLP
- Rocco Damato, CEO of A.L. Bazzini Co., Inc.