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High up on the 34th floor of the Freedom Tower at One World Trade Center, the NY Metro interior design community gathered in June to celebrate the leaders, innovators and champions of our field. With reflective black and white surfaces and sprawling downtown and river views seen from floor-to-ceiling windows, the Condé Nast event venue was the perfect setting to celebrate award winners in multiple categories.

The awards ceremony was hosted by Gala Committee Chair Susan Anthony and NY Metro Chapter President Bjorn Bjornsson. Each winner was presented with a handcrafted award created by local furniture maker and artist Richard Haining in new categories that recognize the people and companies behind the scenes whose contributions enable interior designers to do their best work.

Also recognized during the awards ceremony were all the winners of ASID NY Metro's AD Show Awards, who were presented with certificates framed by Gala sponsor Larson Juhl.

Afterwards, guests enjoyed cocktails and fine hors d'oeuvres along with symphonic sounds by contemporary violinist Rhett Price. There was also a photo booth and the event featured a unique element: masterful paintings were created on site by local street artists Ramiro Davaro-Comas, Brandon Sines (aka Frank Ape), Joseph Meloy and Uncutt. It was a night to remember! We thank all the committee members and sponsors who made ASID NY Metro's first annual Awards Gala a success! Stay tuned for details about the 2019 Design Honors Awards Gala.



Among the artwork displayed that night was a painting by street



Local street artists Joseph Meloy, Brandon Sines (a.k.a. Frank Ape), Ramiro Davaro-Comas and Uncutt with local furniture/award maker Richard Haining.



Custom awards, handcrafted with wood from water towers all around New York City, by local artisan Richard Haining.



Gala Committee Chair Susan Anthony welcomes guests to the awards ceremony.



Stopping by the photobooth are Tyler Wisler, Danielle McWilliams and John Tudisco. Backdrop made by Uncutt.



Phyllis Harbinger accepts her award for Best Designer Advocate from NY Metro President-Elect Kim Radovich.



JennAir's Daniel Gallagher, Laura Markofsky, Sarbjeet Kohli, Mariane Kingston and Stephen Bilas.



James Rixner and Pamela Durante.



NY Metro chapter Director at Large Benjamin Huntington presented Julie Marraud des Grottes of Elitis with the award for Most Innovative Company.

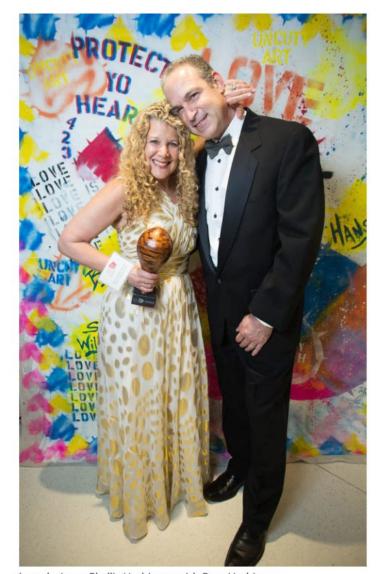


Jose Coronado, Fenizia DeRosa-Maffucci, Constance Fensterstock, Gisele Mazzola, NY Metro Chapter President Bjorn Bjornsson and Tina Costello.

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Bloomingdales' Erle Tompkins alongside Pedro Pernambuco, Brittany Pressner, Kari Fletcher and Robyn Calmann.



Award winner Phyllis Harbinger with Ross Harbinger.



Genevieve Gorder with John Mohrmann who accepted on behalf of Sherwin Williams the Best Educational Sponsor award.



Charles Pavarini III, New Jersey Chapter President Joan Ravasy, NY Metro Chapter President Bjorn Bjornsson and Gala Committee Chair Susan Anthony.