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Past Honorees

2023

United Airlines, accepted by Josh Earnest, EVP of Communications and Advertising
Greater New York Hospital Association (GNYHA), accepted by President Kenneth E. Raske
Liz Neumark and Great Performances, accepted by Liz Neumark, CEO and Founder
Jonelle Procope, Lifetime Achievement Award, President and CEO Emerita of the Apollo
Theater

2022

The New LaGuardia Airport, accepted by Ed Bastian, CEO Delta Air Lines, Rick Cotton, Executive Director, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and George Casey, Chair and CEO, Vantage Airport Group

The Greater Harlem Chamber of Commerce, accepted by Lloyd Williams, President and CEO Shelly Fireman and the Fireman Hospitality Group

Ellen Futter, Lifetime Achievement Award, President, American Museum of Natural History

2019

Hilton, accepted by Danny Hughes EVP and President, Americas
Hudson Yards, accepted by Jeff T. Blau, CEO, Related Companies
Virgin Atlantic, accepted by Claire Topping, Senior Vice President of Marketing
Nick Valenti (Lifetime Achievement Award), Former CEO Restaurant Associates & Patina Restaurant Group

2018

British Airways, accepted by Claire Bentley, Managing Director of British Airways Holidays **Disney Theatrical Productions**, accepted by Thomas Schumacher, President & Producer **Mike Gallagher and Mike Morey** (Lifetime Achievement Awards), Founders of CityPASS



2017

NFL & Cirque du Soleil for the NFL Experience, accepted by Dawn Hudson, CMO, NFL; Daniel Lamarre, President and CEO, Cirque du Soleil

National Geographic Encounter & SPE Partners, accepted by Alexander Svezia and William Pennell, SPE Principals

The Greatest Showman, accepted by Tonia Davis, Executive Producer **Susan Ungaro** (Lifetime Achievement Award), President, James Beard Foundation

2016

Joe Daniels, President & CEO, National September 11 Memorial & Museum JCDecaux, accepted by Bernard Parisot, President and Co-CEO, JCDecaux North America

2015

Carnival Corporation and its President & CEO Arnold Donald New York City Football Club, accepted by Tom Glick, President

2014

Delta Air Lines, accepted by Gail Grimmett, Senior Vice President, New York

Hotel Association of New York City, accepted by Geoffrey Allan Mills, Chairman

Joseph E. Spinnato (Lifetime Achievement), President, Hotel Association of New York City

2013 (December)

Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg

2013 (March)

Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, accepted by Alan Steel, President and CEO
The Madison Square Garden Company, accepted by Hank Ratner, President and CEO



2011

Broadway, accepted by Paul Libin, Executive Vice President of Jujamcyn Theaters and Chairman of the Broadway League

Times Square, accepted by Robert E. Wankel, President and Co-CEO of the Shubert Organization and Chair of the Times Square Alliance

Tim and Nina Zagat, Founders of Zagat Survey, in celebration of the 20th Anniversary of NYC Restaurant Week

2010

Anna Wintour, Editor-in-Chief, VogueDiane von Furstenberg, Designer, President of CFDATerry Lundgren, Chairman, President and CEO of Macy's, Inc.

2009

New York Mets, accepted by John Franco

New York Yankees, accepted by Jennifer Steinbrenner, Lonn Trost and Randy Levine

2008

Daniel L. Doctoroff, President, BloombergJonathan M. Tisch, Chairman & CEO, Loews Hotels

2007

Time Warner, accepted by Richard D. Parsons, Chairman & CEO

Tishman Realty and Construction Corp., accepted by Daniel R. Tishman, President & CEO

Major League Baseball, accepted by Allan H. (Bud) Selig, Commissioner



2006

Danny Meyer, CEO, Union Square Hospitality Group

Fern Mallis, Vice President, IMG Fashion

Bank of America, accepted by Alan H. Rappaport; President, New York Market; Chairman, Private Bank

Empire State Building, accepted by Peter L. Malkin, Chairman, Wien & Malkin

Cristyne L. Nicholas, President & CEO, NYC & Company

2005

Marriott International, Inc., accepted by J. W. Marriot, Jr., Chairman & CEO
The Walt Disney Company, accepted by Robert A. Iger, President & CEO
Chelsea Piers, accepted by Roland W. Betts, Chairman; Tom A. Bernstein, President
Caroline Hirsch, President, Caroline's on Broadway

2004

American Express Company, accepted by Ken Chenault, Chairman and CEO NBC Universal, accepted by Bob Wright, Chairman & CEO Nicole Miller, accepted by Nicole Miller, Owner and Bud Konheim, CEO Joseph E. Spinnato, President, Hotel Association of New York City

2003

James L. Nederlander, Jr., President, Nederlander Producing Company of America
National Football League, accepted by Paul Tagliabue, Commissioner
JP Morgan Chase, accepted by Frederick W. Hill, Executive Vice President
The Late Show with David Letterman, accepted by Paul Shaffer



2002

Dennis Swanson, COO, Viacom Television Stations GroupSteve Ross, CEO, The Related CompaniesThe Coca-Cola Company, accepted by Jeffrey T. Dunn, President & COO

2001

Mayor Rudolph Giuliani