



## **BOMA NY unveils nominee selections for 2019 Pinnacle Awards**

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NEW YORK, NY The Building Owners and Managers Association of Greater New York (BOMA NY) named a total of 22 nominees across 11 categories for its upcoming annual Pinnacle Awards celebration at Pier Sixty on February 28, 2019 beginning at 5:30 p.m. The nominees of these awards are leaders within their respective disciplines of the industry.

The Pinnacle Awards recognizes those who achieve the BOMA NY vision of excellence, furthering its mission and symbolizing its commitment to tenants, clients and the city at large. Recognition for such contribution is made in the Outstanding Local Member of the Year and Manager of the Year categories. The nominees in the Outstanding Local Member of the Year category are Julie Arce of JLL, Laura Belt Ponomarev, RPA, FMA of The 58-64 40th Street Corp., Mitchell Grant, RPA of RXR Realty and Steven Serrano of NYC Cooling Tower Inspection and Services.

Lawrence Spahn, RPA, FMA, SMA, SMT, LEED AP of H&R REIT (U.S.) Management Services Inc. and Daniela Perez, FMA, RPA, LEED GA from Empire State Realty Trust are nominated for Manager of the Year in the 10-year plus executive category, while nominees for Manager of the Year for the 3 to 10-year category include Endrit Kukaj, RPA of SL Green Realty Corp.

The Engineer of the Year award was created this year to distinguish and recognize an engineer who has made outstanding contributions towards maintaining its property to the highest standards possible and provides an outstanding level of professionalism when working with their building tenants and staff. This award will recognize engineers in two categories: Chief Operating Engineer of the Year in buildings above 500,000 s/f and Operating Engineer of the Year in buildings below 500,000 s/f.

The nominees in the Chief Operating Engineer of the Year category are Mike Galvin, SMT of SL Green Realty Corp., Steve Nathan, SMT of Silverstein Properties, Brian O'Malley of CBRE, Michael Placente of RXR Realty, Daniel Syvarth of Cushman & Wakefield and Edilberto Valdez, FMA, LEED GA of Stahl Organization.

The nominees in the Operating Engineer of the Year category are Francis Noonan, SMT of Met Life - 200 Park Ave. and David Rodriguez of The Moinian Group.

The 2019 building categories include Historical Building of the Year with nominee, SL Green Realty Corp.'s 420 Lexington Ave. Vornado Realty's 90 Park Ave. is up for Renovated Building of the Year

and Silverstein Properties' 3 World Trade Center is nominated for New Construction of the Year. The Operating Building of the Year Awards are divided into two categories, with SL Green Realty Corp.'s 11 Madison Ave. and JLL's 140 Broadway in the over one million s/f category and JLL's 757 Third Ave. in the 500,000 s/f to one million s/f category. Additionally, NY Life's 51 Madison Ave. is nominated for Corporate Facility of the Year.

The Pinnacle Awards is chaired by Thomas Krol of Donnelly Mechanical with the assistance of the sub-committee which includes John Leitner of Environmental Building Solutions, Michael Flatley of Alliance Building Services, Alyssa Zucker of Vornado Realty Trust, Julie Arce of JLL, Matt Blaszkiewicz of RXR Realty, Karl Tremmel of Cushman & Wakefield, Tom Walsh of Burnham New York, Erin Leahy of Cushman & Wakefield, Patrick Dolan of The Durst Organization and Charles Marr of CBRE.

"While the nominees go through a difficult selection process, I am confident that all of the nominees will remarkably represent their category and this organization; they are all extremely talented and will continue to impress us." said Chairman Thomas Krol.

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