



PWC NY Salute to Women of Achievement celebrates leaders in the AEC Industry

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Shown (from left) are: Deborah Bradley, Indhira Figuereo Blaney and Rachel Birnboim.

Manhattan, NY The New York Chapter of Professional Women in Construction (PWC NY), a nonprofit organization that supports career-minded women and works to promote diversity within the architecture, engineering, construction and related industries, held its annual Salute to Women of Achievement on September 18th, recognizing professionals at the highest levels of the AEC industry. The honorees were selected for their impressive career accomplishments and recognized for their commitment to lead and mentor.

The 2024 Women of Achievement are:

- Rachel Birnboim, co-managing principal at Perkins Eastman, where she focuses on healthcare architecture.
- Deborah Bradley, president and founder, Bradley Construction. She is committed to teaching young women entering the construction industry and helping other MWBE firms to prosper.
- Indhira Figuereo Blaney, senior vice president, National Aviation Market Leader, WSP engineering and design firm. Indhira serves as a role model as she leads her team in all aviation new business development.

“Shining the spotlight on the successful careers of the honorees is one of the best ways to show women there is a place in the AEC industry for them,” said Gina Rivera, executive director of Professional Women in Construction New York. “Bringing women together to learn from each other is a main focus of PWC.”

The PWC NY Salute to Women of Achievement committee members are Schillivia Baptiste, PE, president and CEO, Laland Baptiste; Raquel Diaz, vice president, Gilbane Building Company; Barbara Durante, CPA, Grassi Advisors and Accountants; and Marilisa Stigliano, VP, Corporate operations, STV.

The event was supported by gold sponsors Deborah Bradley Construction and Thornton Tomasetti; silver sponsors Perkins Eastman, Skanska and WSP; and bronze sponsors Environmental Code Consultants, JFK&M Consulting Group and SLS Controls.

New York is the founding chapter of PWC, established in 1980 by eight women who banded together to advance their careers and businesses in typically male-dominated fields. That vision is still at the core of PWC’s mission as they actively engage members through committees and events structured to provide leadership opportunities, networking and professional development.

PWC’s members represent a broad spectrum of the industry that serves real estate owners,

developers, facilities and property managers and public agencies. They include general construction and specialty contractors, architectural and engineering firms, environmental services, and suppliers. Because the core client industries have many needs, PWC also draws representatives from the services sector: law and accounting firms, insurance/surety and bonding companies, banks and financial services, graphic designers, printers, computer consultants, travel agencies, marketing specialists and more. Membership is open to professional women and men, private companies and public agencies in construction and allied industries. To join Professional Women in Construction NY or learn more about sponsorship opportunities, please email hello@pwcny.org.

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