



PWC plans holiday party to celebrate women in construction and honor “20 under 40”

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Manhattan, NY The New York chapter of Professional Women in Construction (PWC-NY) is gearing up for its annual holiday gathering, bringing industry professionals together to celebrate successes and meet others in AEC. The holiday party will be on Thursday, December 12th at 5:30 pm at Bryant Park Grill in NYC.

Professional Women in Construction is a nonprofit organization that connects women and promotes diversity within the architecture, engineering, construction and related fields. PWC NY offers informative industry programming, exclusive member resources, and leadership and networking opportunities.

“This is the perfect time to reflect on our accomplishments and goals and to look forward to another great year of continued learning and growth,” says Gina Rivera, executive director of PWC NY.

Every year PWC’s board of directors recognizes PWC members under the age of 40 who are excelling in their careers in the AEC industry. The “20 under 40” recipients will be honored during PWC’s holiday party in December. After a record-breaking number of submissions for 2024, the honorees named are:

- Danielle Bedetti, senior associate, Syska Hennessy Group
- Kacey Belair, project manager, Skanska USA Civil
- Sophie Buttiens, principal, Ewing Cole
- Danei Cesario, AIA, RIB, senior project manager, owner’s representative, Group PMX
- Mabel Chedid, senior consultant, geotechnical engineer, WSP USA
- Maria De Bonis, engineering technical director, NV5
- Maria (Masha) Drozdov, AIA, NCARB, architect, Aviation Planner, Gensler
- Ashley Finamore, corporate controller, Gramercy Group Inc.
- Molly Glenn, director of special inspections, EP Inspections and Commissioning, EPIC
- Courtney Heslin, sales and marketing manager, Gilbane Building Company
- Nancy Jain, senior project manager, Plaza Construction
- Megan Kinneen, project manager, Evergreene Architectural Arts
- Lauren Kwon, business development engineer, Turner Construction Company
- Victoria Magayah, PE, project manager, Enovate Engineering
- Lindsay Moschler, civil engineer and project manager, AECOM
- Caitlin Ormsbee, PMP, INCE Bd. Cert., assoc. principal, Trinity/Cerami–Longman Lindsey
- Maria Prokuronova, superintendent, Barr & Barr
- Samantha Ruttura-Mack, president, Our Rental Pumps

- Elizabeth Staryak, senior project manager, STV
- Sarah Sun, project manager, design & construction, Netflix Inc.

“We support young professionals with mentorship and scholarship programs throughout the year,” said PWC NY board president Schillivia Baptiste. “The 20 under 40 award is another expression of our commitment to encouraging the next generation and raising awareness of the many opportunities for women in AEC.”

PWC’s members represent a broad spectrum of 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. For more information, please email hello@pwcny.org.

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