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IFMA Boston names winners of 2014 Awards of Excellence

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The Boston chapter of the International Facility Management Association (IFMA), a non-profit association dedicated to serving the facility management profession, today announced the winners of the 2013 Awards of Excellence.

You Make it Happen Award: Christopher Gilman, CFM, Saint-Gobain and Steven Hopkins, AppStar Media. The "You Make it Happen" award is given in recognition of service to the IFMA chapter that goes above and beyond expectations, and makes a substantial impact on the membership and success of the organization.

President's Award: Alicia Dernier, CFM, Novartis and IFMA Boston immediate past president. The President's Award recognizes an individual who is passionate about what they do-either as a leader from within or outside the IFMA Boston chapter. They go beyond what is asked of them and give it their all.

Exemplary Service Provider Award: Tracey Hartford, Windover Construction, Inc. This award is presented to the representative of an associate member in recognition of voluntary contributions to IFMA Boston. These contributions may include sponsoring programs or educational offerings, presenting innovative sessions on FM-related topics, sponsoring educational research or scholarships, providing technical assistance to members, or serving as chapter or council officers or committee members. Nominees must be associate members who recognize that IFMA is a forum for the interchange of ideas with members.

Exemplary End User: Tom Murphy, Pioneer Investments and Ken McKeown, AAA of Southern New England. The Exemplary End User Award is presented to a professional member of the Boston chapter who has provided sustained, outstanding leadership to the chapter. This person is highly valued by his or her company, IFMA, and the facility management profession. This individual keeps current on changes in the facility management profession and educates other IFMA members and peers. Recipients demonstrate the best in leadership and ethics.

Emerging Leader Award: Jeannine Stover, FMP, Harvard Medical School. This award is presented to a Boston chapter IFMA member who has been an active member within the chapter and shows initiative in both their work and professional settings. They go above and beyond in their efforts with skilled execution and follow through and motivate others to participate.

Facilities Management Achievement Awards for Best Practices: These awards are presented to the individual or team whose facility management program, project, system, innovation, or idea has had a substantial, positive effect on the success of their organization. The recipient demonstrated how their project impacted business objectives and contributed to improved success. The award winners demonstrated innovation, and their achievements will be used to educate other facility management professionals. This award is intended to honor those who achieve "above and beyond" the normal scope of job responsibilities.

* Sustainability: Brigham & Women's Hospital (nominated by Environmental Health & Engineering)

* Small Project (150,000 s/f): Liberty Mutual (nominated by Dyer Brown Architects)

People's Choice Award: Zipcar (Nominated by Margulies Perruzzi Architects). This was the first year for the People's Choice Award. The entire A/E/C community was welcome to vote online for their choice for People's Choice during the first week of May. This year more than 1,100 people cast their vote.

Established in 1980, the IFMA is a non-profit, incorporated association dedicated to serving the facility management profession. The International organization provides education, research, publications, events, and alliances with other related associations and organizations. The Boston Chapter of IFMA was founded in 1984 by ten facility managers. Today the chapter numbers nearly 800 members, making it the second largest chapter in the world. Long recognized as one of the most active and progressive Chapters, the Chapter was honored as the 2007 International Chapter of the Year.

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