

## Real Estate Finance Association leaps into a packed fall

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Boston, MA Sponsorships and tickets are available for the 36th Annual REFA Gala on Thursday, October 17th at the Omni Boston at the Seaport, honoring Paul Nasser, president, Intercontinental Real Estate Corp. with the Swain Distinguished Service Award.

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Nasser joins an accomplished group of Swain Award recipients such as Steven Samuels, founder and chairman, Samuels & Associates; Paul Ayoub, chair, Nutter; Kirk Sykes, co-managing partner, Accordia Partners; Tammy Jones, CEO and founder, Basis Investment Group; Jon Davis, CEO and founder, The Davis Companies; Bryan Koop, EVP, Boston Properties; Pam Herbst, managing director, AEW; mayor Thomas Menino; The Bulfinch Companies Inc.; and WinnCompanies.

Learn more about the Annual REFA Gala at www.annualrefagala.com.

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On October 2nd REFA Emerging Leaders presented Executive Insights with WS Development.

The engaging session featured Yanni Tsipis, senior vice president, and Todd Norley, vice president of leasing at WS Development, one of the premier retail and mixed-use developers in the country. At this Emerging Leader exclusive event, Yanni and Todd walked us through their unique career journeys and shared firsthand insights on what it's like to work at the forefront of innovative retail and mixed-use development.

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