



LUNA PROFILE & FAQ



**Annual Luna Awards and RHCA
Women's Business Conference**
Construction, Architecture and Engineering

October 28, 2016
Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas Texas

Presented by
Regional Hispanic Contractors Association

Partner Associations
Greater Dallas-Fort Worth WTS Chapter
Dallas Women's Foundation
NAWIC-Dallas Chapter
NAWIC-Fort Worth Chapter
WCOE Dallas





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Luna event is chaired by local business women in the construction, architecture and engineering profession, and managed by a group of women in the industry.



Luna Awards

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rising Star Firm Of The Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Established Service Firm Of The Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Established Construction Firm Of The Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Administrative Professional Of The Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Professional Of The Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding Executive Of The Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Advocate Of The Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime Achievement Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dallas Mayor's Award | <input type="checkbox"/> Fort Worth Mayor's Award |



The Luna committee serves as a pipeline for building leadership skills and networking opportunities for women in the construction industry and profession.



The philosophy of the Luna Conference is empowering through training and awareness for women in all career levels in construction, architecture and engineering.



Conference Highlights:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Training & Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Networking | <input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A/E/C Industry Awareness | <input type="checkbox"/> Awards & Recognitions | |



Conference Participation:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conference 500+ | <input type="checkbox"/> Awards Luncheon 800+ |
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Partner Associations:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dallas Women's Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Dallas-Fort Worth WTS Chapter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NAWIC-Dallas Chapter | <input type="checkbox"/> Women Construction Owners & Executives, USA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NAWIC-Fort Worth Chapter | |



The Luna Conference and Awards Luncheon benefit the RHCA scholarship program:

- ☐ Over 230,000 scholarship dollars awarded
- ☐ Luna proceeds go towards the scholarships of Latinas (5 Latinas to date)
- ☐ Luna scholars major in construction and related fields
- ☐ Luna scholars attend: Texas A&M, Rice University, SMU and Texas Tech
- ☐ These young women also participate in:
 - Summer internships with minority and corporate contractors and businesses
 - Christmas and summer training sessions at the RHCA





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What are the Luna Awards?

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Who can be nominated for a Luna Award?

Women in the architecture, construction and engineering industry can be nominated.

How many awards will be presented?

There will be a total of Ten Awards presented.

Ten (10) Luna Awards will be presented to women in the construction industry in the following areas:

- ☐ **Rising Star Firm of the Year:** The Luna Rising Star Firm of the Year Award recognizes a woman-owned company that has taken great risks to break new ground, demonstrate innovation and trendsetting, and exhibited the potential for growth to an established enterprise.
- ☐ **Established Service Firm of the Year:** The Luna Established Service Firm of the Year Award recognizes a well-established, non-construction woman-owned company that provides exemplary services to companies in construction, architecture or engineering in the North Texas area. Examples: Accounting, Consulting, Janitorial, Legal, Printing, Signs, Marketing, HR/Labor Services, etc.
- ☐ **Established Construction Firm of the Year:** The Luna Established Construction Firm of the Year Award recognizes a well-established, woman-owned construction company that has exemplary performance in the industry and does business in the North Texas area. This award is given to a woman-owned company in construction, architecture or engineering.
- ☐ **Outstanding Administrative Professional of the Year:** The Luna Outstanding Administrative Professional of the Year Award recognizes a professional woman who works for a company in construction, architecture or engineering industry doing business in the North Texas area. This individual provides support in the following areas; Office Manager; Accountant/Bookkeeper; Executive Assistant; Business Development/Marketing; Technical Support (IT), etc. This person provides support behind-the-scenes that advances the success of the company and reinforces the overall team effort.
- ☐ **Outstanding Professional of the Year:** The Luna Outstanding Professional of the Year Award recognizes an exemplary professional woman in construction, architecture or engineering industry doing business in the North Texas area. This individual plays a pivotal role as a Superintendent, Field Employee, Engineer, Architect, Project Manager, Scheduler, Estimator, or Maintenance Supervisor who is instrumental in ensuring timely delivery of a successful project.
- ☐ **Outstanding Executive of the Year:** The Luna Outstanding Executive of the Year Award recognizes a Woman Senior Executive in construction, architecture or engineering industry working in the North Texas area.
- ☐ **Lifetime Achievement Award:** The Luna Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes a woman who has been in construction, architecture or engineering industry in the North Texas area for a minimum of 20 years or more.
- ☐ **Dallas & Fort Worth Mayor's Award:** The Luna Mayor's Award recognizes a woman who has been in construction, architecture or engineering industry in the North Texas area working for or in direct relationship with the city.

And One (1) Luna Award will be presented to an individual or company serving as an advocate for the inclusion of women in the construction industry.

- ☐ **Business Advocate of the Year:** The Luna Business Advocate of the Year Award recognizes an individual or company who serves as an advocate for the inclusion of women in construction, architecture or engineering and doing business in the North Texas area.

Do you have to be a member of the RHCA, Greater Dallas-Fort Worth WTS Chapter, Dallas Women's Foundation, Women Construction Owners & Executives or NAWIC-Dallas/Fort Worth Chapter?

No, nominations are open to all women in the construction, architecture and engineering industry.

When is the nomination deadline? Nominations are due September 16, 2016

When are the nominee's worksheet due?

2016 Luna official nomination worksheets are due Friday, October 7, 2016 by 5:00 p.m.





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When will the Luna Awards and RHCA Women's Business Conference be held?

The event will be held on October 28, 2016 - Dallas, TX.

How do I learn more about sponsorship opportunities?

We have several opportunities available for individuals and corporations. To learn more about the sponsorship opportunities below, please visit our webpage: Luna website at www.lunaconference.com or the RHCA website at www.regionalhca.org

- ☐ Conference/EXPO/Awards Luncheon Sponsorship
- ☐ Co-Branding Opportunities (Luna Pink Hard Hat, Volunteers Safety Vest or Expo Bags)
- ☐ Expo Exhibitor Registration
- ☐ Individual Tickets

Can I serve as a volunteer at this event?

The RHCA is always looking for volunteers. For volunteer opportunities, please contact Yolanda Tafoya at yolanda@regionalhca.org.

Do I have to attend the Conference Sessions, Expo and Luncheon or can I purchase a ticket for one of the events?

We believe there is great benefit in attending both events; however, we recognize that in some cases this may not be feasible for an attendee. The following options are available:

- Conference/Expo Only - \$0 (7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) RSVP required.
- Business Expo Only - \$0 for Individuals
- Individual Luncheon Ticket - \$125 RHCA Member / \$150 Non Members: Individual attendance to Business Conference, Expo and one ticket to the awards luncheon.

Can men attend the conference?

Yes, the conference is open to men and women.

Who should I contact if I have additional questions?

Our website has a wealth of information about the Luna Awards and Women's Business Conference. Feel free to use the site as a resource and you may also contact yolanda@regionalhca.org.

How can I get a commemorative Luna "Pink" Hard Hat?

You must attend the conference seminars.

Luna Awards and Women's Business Conference



Luna Reception



LUNA AWARD RECIPIENTS

2007 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm
NOW Specialties, Inc.
Sherry K. Nolan

Established Service Firm
Injury Management Organization, Inc.
Katherine Benavides

Rising Star Firm
Law Offices of Cynthia Figueroa
Cynthia Figueroa

Business Advocate
DFW International Airport

Outstanding Construction Professional
Leah Gentzler
Gentzler Electrical Services

Outstanding Administrative Professional
Melissa Maldonado
Stonehill Commercial Painting

2008 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm
DMCA Inc.
Deborah M. Cardenas

Established Service Firm
Ibarra Consulting Engineers Inc.
Raquel Ibarra

Rising Star Firm
R & A Masonry, Inc.
Andrea Alaniz

Business Advocate
Jayne Williams
KPost Company

Outstanding Professional
Martha Wolf
The Ratliff Group

Outstanding Administrative Professional
Jill Melancon, KPost Company

2009 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm
BRJ Paving Incorporated
Barbara Jones

Established Service Firm
Ponce Contractors Inc.
Elizabeth Ponce

Rising Star Firm
MEB Construction LLC
Eve Fields

Business Advocate
Katrina Keyes
K Strategies Group LLC

Outstanding Professional
Nicole Balli-Little
Turner Construction, Co.

Outstanding Administrative Professional
Glenda Lopez
NWH Management Dallas

2010 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm
Bradley & Douglas Construction Services, LLC
Sharon Douglas

Established Service Firm
CamargoCopeland, Architects, Inc.
Myriam Camargo

Rising Star Firm
Criado & Associates, Inc.
Cristina Criado

Business Advocate
Suzanne Cruz-Sewell
DFW International Airport

Outstanding Executive
Angela Dominguez
Renaissance Contractors Partnership

Outstanding Professional
Katie Humphries
Balfour Beatty Construction

Outstanding Administrative Professional
Maribel DeLeon
GDHCC

2011 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm
Renaissance Contractors Partnership
Angela Dominguez

Established Service Firm
K Strategies Group LLC
Katrina Keyes

Rising Star Firm
MRP (Make Ready Plus)
Yvette Gonzalez

Business Advocate
Rebecca Hicks
Bellinger and DeWolf

Outstanding Executive
Belen Marcos
North Tarrant Express Mobility Partners (NTEMP)

Outstanding Professional
Yesenia Garcia
Phillips/May Corporation

Outstanding Administrative Professional
Jackie G. Barnes
Parsons



LUNA AWARD RECIPIENTS

2012 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm

VRX, Inc.

Noelle Ibrahim

Established Service Firm

Gonzales Labor Systems, Inc.

Cecilia Gonzales

Rising Star Firm

Acari Management Group

Jollyn Mwisongo,

Business Advocate

Velina Willis

Tarrant County HUB Coordinator

Outstanding Executive

Kimberly Tolbert

North Texas Tollway Authority

Outstanding Professional

Lisa Cruz Alonzo

City of Dallas Resource Link Team

Outstanding Administrative Professional

Kristy Livingston

Turner Construction

2014 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm

Bradley Douglas Construction Services, LLC

Sharon Douglas

Established Service Firm

OCG PR

Tonya Veasey

Rising Star Firm

Hilda Rodriguez Architecture Planning Interiors, LLC

Hilda Rodriguez

Business Advocate

Kamecia Lambert

Balfour Beatty Construction

Outstanding Executive

Terri L. Covert, P.E.

TDPM/TDIndustries

Outstanding Professional

Dulce Maria Torres-Ruiz

HKS Inc

Outstanding Administrative Professional

Yolanda Coleman

Ferrovial Agroman/Bluebonnet Contractors, LLC

2013 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm

Urban Engineers Group, Inc.

Nilsa Luna

Established Service Firm

W. Ware & Associates, Inc.

Wyntress B. Ware

Rising Star Firm

DGR Consultants LLC

Diane Gollhofer, PE

Business Advocate

Angela Berry-Roberson

Ferrovial Agroman US

Outstanding Executive

Cecilia Padilla

On Center Software, Inc.

Outstanding Professional

Amanda Castro

Phillips/May Corporation

Letty Coleman

Rogers O'Brien Construction

Outstanding Administrative Professional

Margarita Moreno

Trinity Infrastructure, LLC

2015 Luna Awards Recipients

Established Construction Firm

Manning Concrete

Joanna Manning

Established Service Firm

All Janitorial Professional Services, Inc.

Evelyn Molina

Rising Star Firm

KLP Commercial

Nathali Parker

Business Advocate

Adrienne Williams

Pegasus Link Constructors, LLC

Outstanding Executive

Daphne Johnson

Hayden Consultants, Inc.

Outstanding Professional

Lisa Alonzo

City of Dallas

Outstanding Administrative Professional

Ayumi Anderson

Archer Western

