



TEXAS STAR AWARDS

Celebrating Exceptional Event Professionals

2017 Award Nominees

Category and Event	Name	Company
BEST PHOTOGRAPHY		
Garden Inspired Hotel Wedding	Rachael Hall	Rachael Hall Photography
Italian Romance Wedding	Rachael Hall	Rachael Hall Photography
NFL Wide Receiver Training Event	Arianne Lewis	Ari Photography
BEST FILMMAKING (Videography)		
Herb and Phil	Ashton Hartner	BEYOND
Texas State Fair	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
BEST CATERED EVENT		
2016 Dallas Cattle Baron's Ball	John Gilbert	G Texas Catering
Lanyon Live after Hours	John Gilbert	G Texas Catering
The Ultimate Food Fusion	Kim Hanks	Whim Hospitality
BEST PUBLIC EVENT		
Date Night 2016	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
United We Brunch	Sylvia Carrier	Jack Guenther Pavilion at the Briscoe Museum
BEST CORPORATE EVENT		
BEST CORPORATE EVENT BUDGET UNDER \$75,000 USD		
5th Anniversary Event	Kimberly Straughan	Barriba Cantina
	Armando Selledon	Blue Suede Events
"Party Like it's 1976" 40th Anniversary Disco	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
BEST CORPORATE EVENT BUDGET \$75,000 - \$150,000 USD		
Artisans & Epicures	Aaron Tharp	Hello! Texas Destination Management
	Debbie Meyers-Shock CSEP, CTEP	BRAVO! Entertainment
Venetian Holiday Party	Natalie Kennedy	Kennedy Creative Events
BEST CORPORATE EVENT BUDGET OVER 150,000 USD		
Imagine!	Anastasia Grinaldi	ACCESS Texas
	Jennifer Watson	The Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau
Texas Jewel Reborn	Wendy Haralson	The St. Anthony Hotel
	Roxanne Day	The St. Anthony Hotel
Totally Awesome 80's Event	Bethani Blair	Ultimate Ventures
BEST EVENT FOR A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION		
BEST EVENT FOR A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION BUDGET UNDER \$75,000 USD		
12th Annual President's Academic Awards Dinner	Charlene McWilliams	Sam Houston State University
The Garden Party	Meredith Merlo	Nasher Sculpture Center
	Abby Alderman	Nasher Sculpture Center
BEST EVENT FOR A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION BUDGET \$75,000 - \$150,000 USD		
A Night of Gratitude	Angela Randall	Baylor Health Care System Foundation
A Shot of Adrenaline (To The Heart)	Kevin Molesworth	Brass Tacks Events
Tribute Gala	Jessica Dickman	CLINK
BEST WEDDING		
BEST WEDDING BUDGET UNDER \$75,000 USD		

Erin and Nick's Romantic Wedding	Karen Moise Megan Metzger	Ma Maison Pearl Events Austin
Glamorous Summer Camp Wedding	Jessica Dickman	CLINK
Greg and Tabeen's Rustic Fusion Wedding	Sarah Zacek	Ma Maison
Strokes of Boho	Maureen Riebel Pattie Beebe	Elegant Events by Maureen The Elegant Bee
BEST WEDDING BUDGET \$75,000 - \$150,000 USD		
Modern Multi-Cultural Wedding	Katie Netherton	CLINK
BEST WEDDING BUDGET OVER \$150,000 USD		
Jamie & AJ's Wedding	Johnell Huebner	Clearly Classy Events
The Art Of The Flower	Billinda Wilkinson	Wilkinson Rhodes
BEST SOCIAL EVENT		
BEST SOCIAL EVENT BUDGET UNDER \$25,000 USD		
Debut Party 2016	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
BEST SOCIAL EVENT BUDGET \$25,000 - \$75,000 USD		
60th Wedding Anniversary - A Tribute	Amanda Tutor	Tobin Center for the Performing Arts
BEST SOCIAL EVENT BUDGET OVER \$75,000 USD		
15th Anniversary Celebration and Event Design Competition (Wine and Roses)	Delores Crum	Premiere Events
The White Party	Deborah Elias	Elias Events
BEST MEETING/CONFERENCE PROGRAM		
"Hello Tomorrow" at SXSW	Oliver Shelby	Red Velvet Events
DOT Analysis	Bobby Bradley	Texas Entertainment Group
BEST MARKETING DESIGN COLLATERAL		
KORDAVE EXPRESS	Yvette Audrain	Simply Mox
Navig80's	Jason Sick	Red Velvet Events
BEST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION UNDER \$25,000 USD		
Mirum	Lindsey Lindberg	Austin Oddities & Entertainment
BEST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION \$25,000 - \$75,000 USD		
Aloha Hawaiian Luau	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
Artisans & Epicures	Debbie Meyers-Shock CSEP, CTEP Aaron Tharp	BRAVO! Entertainment Hello! Texas Destination Management
Transformación de la Noche	Lindsey Lindberg	Austin Oddities & Entertainment
BEST ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION OVER \$75,000 USD		
Celebration of the Americas	Debbie Meyers-Shock CSEP, CTEP Mark Wells	BRAVO! Entertainment Hello! Florida Destination Management
BEST EVENT DESIGN & DÉCOR		
BEST EVENT DESIGN and DÉCOR BUDGET UNDER \$25,000 USD		
President's Academic Awards Venetian Dinner	Renee Moran-Chavez Charlene McWilliams	Magic Moments Parties and Events Sam Houston State University
Private Stash	Aaron Tharp	Hello! Texas Destination Management
Serape Chic	Kristen Plymale	Strong Events
Trisha Wilson Dinner	Angela Randall Junior Villanueva	Baylor Health Care System Foundation The Garden Gate
BEST EVENT DESIGN and DÉCOR BUDGET \$25,000 - \$75,000 USD		
Aloha Hawaiian Luau	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
Cultivated Comfort	Kristen Plymale	Strong Events
Street Art Sanctuary	Kristen Plymale	Strong Events
BEST EVENT DESIGN and DÉCOR BUDGET OVER \$75,000 USD		
Venetian Holiday Party	Natalie Kennedy	Kennedy Creative Events
The Art Of The Flower	Billinda Wilkinson	Wilkinson Rhodes
BEST ILEA TEAM EFFORT		
BEST ILEA TEAM EFFORT BUDGET UNDER \$75,000 USD		
	Tracy Collins	Events by Decisions

Going Gaga over Color	Leslie LaSorsa	Crave Catering
	Jenn Guthrie	Marquee Event Group
	Rachael Hall	Rachael Hall Photography
	Karen Moise	Ma Maison
BEST ILEA TEAM EFFORT BUDGET \$75,000 - \$150,000 USD		
A Shot of Adrenaline (To The Heart)	Kevin Molesworth	Brass Tacks Events
	Lisa Hause	Lisa Hause Photography
	Lori Schneider	The Cupcake Bar
	Christy Seguin	Cakes ROCK
	Claudette Bouton Pate	Goldner Associates
	Kassie Purpura	Catering With A Twist
	Delores Crum, CERP	Premiere Events
	Kyle Hayden CSEP	Strong Events
	Kate Patay, CPCE	Creative Coverings
	Beth Danziger	Groove Labs
	Debbie Meyers-Shock, CSEP, CTEP	BRAVO! Entertainment
TSAE New Ideas Opening Reception	Brenda Square	Visit San Antonio
	Amanda Tutor	Tobin Center for the Performing Arts
	Billinda Wilkinson	Wilkinson Rhodes
	Lisa Hartman	Marquee Event Group
	Deborah Ayala	Tobin Center Catering
	Morris Goen	Goen South Events
BEST ILEA TEAM EFFORT BUDGET OVER \$150,000 USD		
Celebration of the Americas	Debbie Meyers-Shock, CSEP, CTEP	BRAVO! Entertainment
	Mark Wells	Hello! Florida Destination Management
	Brian Acheson CSEP	VIP Events
Nina and Mike's Wedding	Johnell Huebner	Clearly Classy Events
	Kim Hanks	Whim Hospitality
	Carrie Beamer	Flora Fetish