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**Executive Council of New York Honors 2006 Ten Awards Winners**

*Hundreds of influential business leaders gathered to celebrate industry innovators  
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**New York, NY, November 7, 2006** – The Executive Council of New York, the premier business forum for networking and leadership education, today announced the winners of the New York Ten Awards™, an annual selection of companies and individuals in the greater New York business community that display extraordinary innovation and leadership in their industry and beyond.

The awards were presented last night at the Ten Awards Gala at Cipriani Wall Street. Carly Fiorina, former CEO of Hewlett-Packard and author of the new book, *Tough Choices*, delivered the keynote remarks. Liz Claman, co-anchor of CNBC's *Morning Call* and author of the new book, *The Best Investment Advice I Ever Received*, served as Master of Ceremonies. Cushman & Wakefield served as host sponsor of the gala, and 2004 Ten Award winner and Cushman & Wakefield President and CEO Bruce Mosler introduced Ms. Fiorina.

“We congratulate this year’s winners, who are at the helm of the most prominent and emerging growth organizations, and salute them for bringing innovation, leadership, integrity, and community involvement to the forefront of the New York business community” said Robert Johnston, president of the Executive Council of New York. “These luminaries are leading by example and inspiring new standards of novel ideas and success.”

The 2006 Ten Awards Winners include:

CEO of the Year: Jonathan Tisch, Loews Hotels  
CFO of the Year: David Turner, The Thomson Corporation  
CIO of the Year: Jack Nelson, Mount Sinai Medical Center  
Marketer of the Year: John Hayes, American Express  
Dealmaker of the Year: Philip Falcone, Harbinger Capital Partners and Jonathan Gray, The Blackstone Group  
Innovator of the Year: Jason Finger, SeamlessWeb  
Best International Non-Profit: Ami Nahshon, The Abraham Fund Initiatives  
Best Up and Comer: Jared Kushner, The New York Observer, age 25  
Best New Product or Service: David Rose, Angelsoft LLC and Are Traasdahl, Thumbplay  
Best Executive Team: Tim Armstrong, Penry Price and Craig Nevill-Manning, Google NY  
Educator of the Year: Dr. Deborah Kenny, Village Academies

The Ten Awards finalists were drawn from open nominations submitted to the Executive Council of New York. Hundreds of nominations were screened and evaluated by a panel of judges comprised of prominent journalists from New York-based local and national business media outlets, and evaluated based on the individual’s contributions to his or her organization’s objectives and leadership; the organization’s impact on business innovation, both in New York and nationally; and the individual’s industry leadership beyond his or her organization.

For more information on the Ten Awards and the Executive Council of New York, please visit [www.execcouncil.org](http://www.execcouncil.org).

Previous Ten Awards winners have included: Barry Sternlicht, CEO, Starwood Hotels; David Neeleman, CEO, JetBlue Airways; Jim McCann, CEO, 1800Flowers; Donna Iucolano, President, e-Scholastic; Sallie Krawcheck, CEO, Smith Barney (now CFO, Citigroup); Alan Patricof, Chairman, Apax Partners; Gordon Crovitz, President, Dow Jones; Shelby Bonnie, CEO, CNET Networks; Hossein Eslambolchi, President, AT&T Labs; Kumar Mahadeva, CEO, Cognizant; Martin Nisenholtz, CEO, New York Times Digital; Bruce Mosler, CEO, Cushman & Wakefield; Kevin Ryan, CEO, DoubleClick; Adam Moss, Editor in Chief, New York Magazine; Tim and Nina Zagat, Co-chairs, Zagat Survey.

**About The Executive Council:**

The Executive Council is New York's premier business forum for senior executives, their advisors and capital markets professionals. Through its member base of 3,500 New York metro business leaders, the organization has built a reputation for highly acclaimed conferences, executive education programs and member-hosted gatherings that focus on critical business and leadership issues at the forefront of corporate America today. The Executive Council Corporate Members range from American Express, IBM and Microsoft to Sprint, Cushman & Wakefield, and McKinsey & Co. as well as many other large and emerging growth companies.

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