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### 19th Annual Western New York Ambassador Awards

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CAMPUS HOUSE



Western New York ———  
Annual Ambassador Awards

Burchfield Penney Art Center Auditorium  
Wednesday, April 17, 2013 5:30pm



## 2013 RECIPIENTS

Jay Dellavecchia, General Manager  
Hyatt Regency Buffalo

The Statler Foundation Board of Trustees

### HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM DEPARTMENT UNDERGRADUATE AWARD RECIPIENTS OF 2013

#### Department Awards

Brandon Dunkley  
Derek Higgins

#### Pano's Awards Recipient

Makayla Bidell  
Ashley Kibling  
Maraliz Maravella  
Victoria Renodin  
Kathy Rondinelli  
Erin Sullivan

### 2012 Recipients

Edward J. Healy,  
Vice President of Marketing Visit Buffalo  
Niagara

Krista Van Wagner, Owner  
Curly's Grill & Banquet Center

Daniel P. Garvey,  
Director of Food & Beverage The Roycroft Inn

### 2011 Recipients

James M. Bedard III  
President, Buffalo Hotel Supply Co.

Frances Siu Lan Tyau, M.A.  
Associate Professor, Buffalo State College

Bob Syracuse, President  
Pizza Plant Italian Pub

### 2010 Recipients

Pano Georgiadis, Owner/Operator  
Panos Restaurant

Tom Tower, Owner/Operator  
Tom Tower's Farm Market

Cheryl Zanghi, Director of Services  
Buffalo Niagara Convention and Visitors  
Bureau

### 2009 Recipients

Culinary Team  
Wegmans Amherst Street Store

Mr. Ted Pietrzak, Director  
Burchfield Penney Art Center

Tom Lombardo, Proprietor/Owner  
Ristorante Lombardo

### 2008 Recipients

Ms. Renee Di Flavio, Vice President,  
Education and Employment, Director,  
Statler Center for Careers in Hospitality

Mr. Donald Warfe,  
Restaurateur and Entrepreneur

Mr. Patrick W. Welch, Director  
Veterans Services, Erie County, New York

### 2007 Recipients

Mr. Timothy Minahan, CCM, GM  
Country Club of Buffalo

Mr. Geno and Ms. Diana Principe,  
Proprietors, The Mansion on Delaware

Mr. James Weimer, Principal  
Buffalo Public Schools  
Emerson High School

### 2006 Recipients

Mr. John Connors, Vice President  
AAA Western and Central New York

Mr. Kevin Cottrell, Owner & Operator  
Motherland Connexions

Mr. Howard Zemsky, President  
Taurus Partners LLC

### 2005 Recipients

Mary Lou Rath  
New York State Senator

### 2004 Recipients

Paul A. Tokasz  
New York State Assemblyman

Burt Notarius, Owner  
Premier Group

### 2003 Recipients

Mark F. Halter, President  
Kissing Bridge Corporation

David P. Hart, President & CEO  
Hart Hotels, Inc.

David P. Lacki, CTP, CTI,  
Director of Tourism, Visitor Development  
Greater Buffalo Convention & Visitors Bureau

### 2002 Recipients

Dennis DiPaolo, Owner/Operator  
Ilio DiPaolo's Restaurant

Mel Florczak, Past Director  
Buffalo Convention Center

Raul Sartini, Retired Club Manager  
Brookfield Country Club

### 2001 Recipients

Daniel R. Franklin, General Manager  
The Buffalo Club

Irwin Pastor, President  
Pepsi-Cola Buffalo Bottling Corp.

Stan Rydelek, President  
Niagara Falls Convention & Visitors  
Bureau

### 2000 Recipients

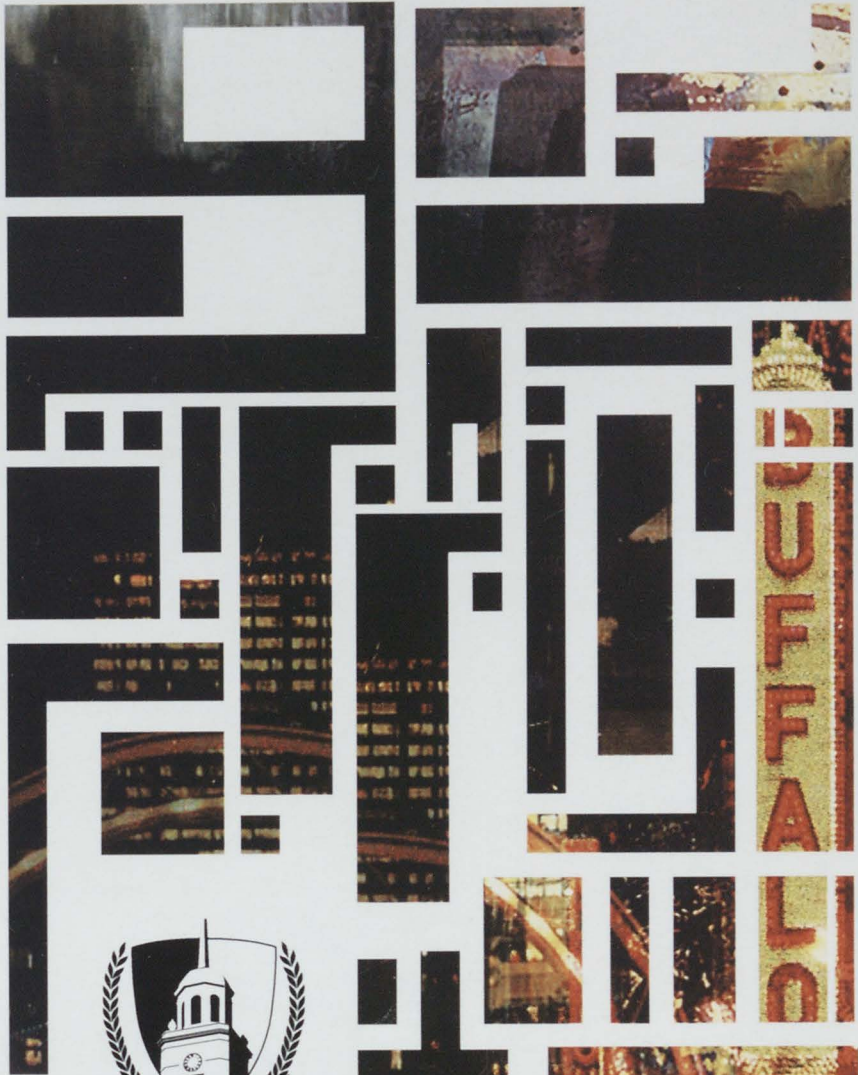
Marguerite (Dispenza) Hambleton  
President, CEO  
AAA Central and Western New York

Jeremy M. Jacobs, Jr.  
Executive Vice President  
Delaware North Companies

Janet Overdorf, Interim Director  
Southtowns Nutritional Services  
Department, Mercy/OLV Hospital

## PAST RECIPIENTS





**BUFFALO STATE**  
The State University of New York



## 2013 Ambassador Awards Menu Street Foods & Paired Wines

### Asia

Chinese grilled Kushi-yaki style skewered prawns with a Sake soy dipping sauce.

Japanese chili and garlic fried squid

Fried rice with peas, carrots, sprouts and egg

#### Revelry Riesling, Columbia Valley 2011

Asia - we have Asahi Dry, Premium lager

### US

New Orleans

Muffaletta sliders: Mortadella and Genoa salami topped with a pickled olive salad and provolone cheese

Chicago style hot dogs: all beef hot dog on a poppy seed bun with fresh tomato, relish, yellow mustard, pickle spears and diced onion

#### Albert Seltz Riesling, Alsace 2011

US - Goose Island 312 Wheat Ale

### Middle East

Falafel: fried chickpea balls served with Tahini sauce

Kibbeh: patty made of cooked bulgur wheat, onion and lamb served with Tzatziki sauce

Tandoori chicken: marinated with cumin, lemon juice, yogurt and ginger and grilled.

#### Chateau Musar, Red Blend Lebanon, 2010

### Italy

Torta di spinaci (Spinach and Feta Pie)

#### Poggio alla Guardia Maremma, Red Blend, Toscana 2009

**Desserts** Gelato, Churros, assorted baklava, and granita

**Buffalo State**  
School of Professions  
Department of Hospitality and Tourism

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Awards Celebration  
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Welcome and Introduction

**Rebecca Dowsey**  
Interim Chair, Hospitality and Tourism

Student Scholarship Recipients

**Rebecca Dowsey,  
Don Schmitter,  
Chen Chen Huang**

Presentation of Hospitality Ambassador Awards

**Lori Till presenting Jay Dellavecchia  
Kathleen O'Brien presenting the  
Statler Foundation Board of Trustees**

Dean Remarks

**Rita Zientek**  
Interim Dean of the School of Professions

Recognition of "Cultural Tourism"

**Rebecca Dowsey and Kathleen O'Brien**

Theme Presentation "Year of the City"  
**Steve Burgeson**

Student Reflections