



*Advancing Women in Transportation*  
Greater New York Chapter



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**Upcoming Events !**

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Monday January 23, 2017, 5:30-8:00 PM,  
WTS-GNY 2017 Annual Meeting,  
Club 101, 101 Park Avenue, New York



Please join your WTS-GNY colleagues and friends for the  
**2017 Annual Meeting!**

Keynote speaker: Stephanie Dawson, Chief Operating Officer, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey



WTS GNY will announce the following award recipients:

Rosa Parks Diversity Award - PANY&NJ, Denise Berger  
Member of the Year-NJTPA, Sutapa Bhattacharjee, Phd  
Employer of the Year - ARUP



Honorable Ray LaHood Award - LIRR, President, Patrick Nowakowski



Innovative Transport Solutions Award - NYCDOT



Queens Blvd Safety Improvement Project,  
Nichole Altmix, Ann Marie Doherty, Kessia De Leo, Lily Gordon-Koven, Olivia Gibbeson, Chiragi Amin, Navjodh Singh



Congratulations!

Click [here](#) for more information

## Upcoming Events 2017- Save the Date!

- February 7** - NJ Winter Solstice, 5:30- 7:30 PM,  
Taste Venue, Newark, NJ
- February** Transit Center YP Event
- March** Scholarship Fundraiser  
NJ Spring Dinner Program
- April** YP Trivia Night  
NY Spring Dinner Program
- May 17-19** [WTS International Annual Conference NYC](#)

## 2017 WTS-GNY Mentoring Program

The WTS Greater New York (GNY) Chapter Mentoring Program helps women in transportation assess and advance their careers. Apprentices, who have at least 5 years of professional experience, are matched with mentors and the pair work together over an eleven-month period. Each month mentor and apprentice pairs meet independently, to discuss career goals and development, and meet as a program group, to develop professional skills and learn from diverse speakers and each other. Participants must be members of the WTS GNY Chapter upon program kickoff on February 27th, 2017.

### Schedule for 2017 Program

- January 16 Application on [WTS GNY website](#)
- February 6 - open house to learn more about the program
- February 10 - Application deadline
- February 17 - Notification of Selected Apprentices
- February 27 - first meeting to match apprentices with mentors
- March 20 - First Mentoring Program Meeting Session

### Applications

- [Application for Apprentices](#)

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Please email [WTSmentoringGNY@gmail.com](mailto:WTSmentoringGNY@gmail.com) if you would like to be added to our program mailing list.

## Members in the News:

Congratulations - Alyssa Pichardo, on your promotion to Sr. Planner at Regional Plan Association

VHB announce the promotion of Nancy Doon to Northeast Regional Environmental Services Director. Congratulations!

## WTS GNY - Volunteer Opportunities!

### 2017 Annual Conference:

Please join for an exciting opportunity to help prepare for the WTS 2017 Annual Conference in NYC!

Contact Alex Gangemi at [Alexa.Gangemi@ch2m.com](mailto:Alexa.Gangemi@ch2m.com) for more information

### Communications Committee:

A great opportunity to get involved with WTS GNY! We need writers, editors, and social media transportation -savvy volunteers. If you can write, edit, and have time to volunteer and contribute monthly news, featured articles, social media messages, tag lines, please contact us immediately at [wtsgnycommunications@gmail.com](mailto:wtsgnycommunications@gmail.com)

### Glass Ceiling Committee: -

The Glass Ceiling Committee (GCC) committee is seeking volunteers, preferably from the public sector, to help with conducting and analyzing results of an industry wide survey, the first of its kind in the New York/New Jersey market, to be administered in earlier 2017. This survey endeavors to baseline and raise awareness as to the level of engagement of women at senior and executive ranks among private and public sector organizations. This committee focuses on glass ceiling issues that could be impeding the growth of women in the transportation industry. They are currently in the process of conducting research and working on the organization of make recommendations on programs and policies that can be led by WTS-GNY to further its mission of advancing women in transportation.

If interested in being part of this ground breaking effort, contact Yvonne Lopez-Diaz, WTS GNY GCC Chair at [ylopezdiaz@HNTB.com](mailto:ylopezdiaz@HNTB.com).

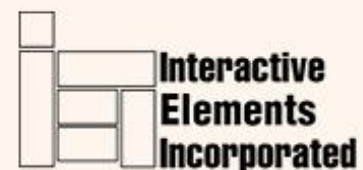
### Mentoring Committee:

Please read information above or email [WTSmentoringGNY@gmail.com](mailto:WTSmentoringGNY@gmail.com)

### Transportation You Committee:



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The NJ Chapter of the Committee is looking for new mentors and committee members for 2017-2018. Our mentoring program inspires young women (14-18) to pursue careers in STEM and Transportation. Transportation YOU is a hands-on, interactive, mentoring program that offers girls an introduction to a wide variety of transportation careers. WTS members work to make a difference in the lives of high school girls in Newark, NJ, by offering site tours, professional development and group activities that will spark their interest in all modes of transportation. We also seek to encourage them to take courses in math, science, and technology, which are the stepping stones to exciting careers that can change the face of the transportation industry.

Find out how you can get involved please contact Sutapa Bhattacharjee ([sbhattacharjee@njtpa.org](mailto:sbhattacharjee@njtpa.org))

## Having Problems viewing WTS-GNY emails?

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## Registration for the 2017 WTS Annual Conference Opens Soon!

### Call for Posters

If you are involved in the cutting edge of new technologies, partnerships, policies, and projects, consider sharing your insights and experiences during the poster session at the 2017 WTS Annual Conference in New York. [Click HERE](#) to learn more about the poster session opportunity and to submit your project.

**WTS International is hosting its 2017 annual conference in New York City, May 17 - 19, 2017!**



**During this interactive, three-day session, transportation leaders will exchange ideas and learn about the latest developments in transportation. More than 700**

**corporate and governmental industry leaders worldwide will be in attendance at the conference. A multitude of thoughtful and engaging topics will be covered, including autonomous technologies, transportation funding, shared mobility solutions, innovative data collection methods, professional development, and more!**

**Arianna Huffington - 2017 Annual Conference Keynote Speaker**

Click [here](#) for more information

**SUSAN BAER SCHOLARSHIP:**



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A one-time scholarship will be awarded to a qualified individual in memory of Susan Bayer at the 2017 Gala.

If you would like to make a contribution, please make your check out to "WTS Foundation" with a memo indicating it is for "Susan Baer Scholarship."

Mail to:  
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If you have an questions, contact [Keri Cibelli](#)

WTS-GNY Deadline for February Buzz  
January 28, 2017  
email [wtsgny@gmail.com](mailto:wtsgny@gmail.com)

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