



Advancing Women in Transportation
Greater New York Chapter



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Upcoming Events!

Diamond

July

Saturday, July 15 - WTS Young Professionals:
11:30AM- 4:00PM, Cardboard Kayak Race,
Governors Island - Kayak Hill near Pier 101
Watch video [here](#).
Click [here](#) for more information.



Monday, July 17 - NJ Learn from a Leader
Series: 12:30PM - 1:30PM, Lois Goldman, NJTPA,
Director, Regional Planning
Click [here](#) for more information.



Monday, July 24, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Membership Appreciation Cruise,
Limited seats aboard the Hornblower.
Members Free.
Non-member fee is \$80.
Click [here](#) for more information.



Thursday, July 27- NY Learn From A Leader Series -
5:30PM - 7:30PM, Loriann Hoffman, NYCT, VP, Talent
and Organization Development
Click [here](#) for more information.



August



Tuesday, August 9, NY Learn From A Leader Series:
5:30PM - 7:30PM, Clarelle DeGraffe, Deputy Director,
PATH

Click [here](#) for more information.

Tuesday, August 22, NY Learn From A Leader Series:
5:30PM - 7:30PM, Cheryl Mckissack, Mckissack &
Mckissack, CEO

Click [here](#) for more information.

Tuesday, August 29 - Emerging Leaders On Site
Training Series: A Purpose-Driven Leadership Brand
Engineer, Transportation Systems Management

Click [here](#) for more information.



Sandra Forte Memorial Membership Award for Emerging Professionals

This award honors the memory of
Sandra Forte, an amazing woman and
long-standing member of the WTS

Greater New York (GNY) Chapter. Prior to serving as our
Chapter's Vice President in 2016,
Sandra shined as our Membership Committee Chairperson.
The award's objective is to continue Sandra's efforts to
strengthen the GNY Chapter's membership and encourage
entry-level female professionals to participate in WTS. WTS-
GNY recognizes the importance of supporting emerging
professionals as a means of sustaining the long-term
viability of our Chapter, as well as assisting in the
development of our future leaders.

The recipient of the *Sandra Forte Memorial Membership
Award for Emerging Professionals* will receive a one-year
paid membership, sponsored by the WTS-GNY Chapter,
with all member benefits. In addition, the Chapter will pay
event fees for the recipient during the period of sponsorship
for regular monthly events hosted by the Chapter.

Eligible applicants must work in a transportation-related
career and not be eligible to receive reimbursement from
their employer for WTS membership expenses.

Applicants should have **no more than 5 years** of full-time
post-graduate professional experience in the transportation
field.

Please return the completed [application](#) via email as a
compiled PDF with the **Sandra Forte** in the subject line
to: wtsagnyspecial@gmail.com



Ruby



AECOM

CUBIC
Transportation Systems

Stantec

Emerald



AKRF

ARUP

LTK
LTK Engineering Services

Sapphire



CAMBRIDGE
SYSTEMATICS
Transportation leadership you can trust.

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Transportation YOU

Thank You MTA NYCT for providing a summer STEM internship program for the students of of [City Polytechnic High School](#) and [CUNY](#) in conjunction with the WTS Greater New York Chapter of Transportation YOU.

A special thanks to the WTS GNY Members who volunteered their time to meet with these young ladies on July 11th at NYCT:

Christine Bayley, Felicia Blakes, Mildred Chua, Donna Evans, Tennille Green, Debbie Hyman, Patricia Lodge, Precious Lock-Turner, Laura MacNeil, Cherise Myers, Jilla Moro, Ndedi Ngonga, Alyssa Picchardo, Phyllis Rachmuth, Naomi Renek, Fione Robe, Bronique Sanders, Jessie Sze, and Donna Tafro.

Click [here](#) to watch the TY video (previously shown at the WTS Annual Conference)

Members in the News:

Congratulations to Our WTS GNY Chapter Members:

PORT AUTHORITY NAMES NEW DIRECTOR OF TUNNELS, BRIDGES AND TERMINALS DEPARTMENT
Diannae Ehler, a 33-year veteran who has spearheaded the Port Authority's plans to upgrade the Port Authority Bus Terminal and help lead planning for its rebuilding, to replace Cedrick Fulton; Staten Island Bridges General Manager Roger Prince named new TB+T Deputy Director of Operations Mark Schaff, a 35-year veteran, named new General Manager of Port Authority Bus Terminal;

Save the Date!

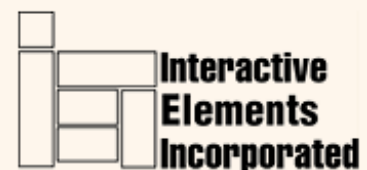
We hope you will join us to present the Woman of the Year Award at our Annual Gala on
October 4, 2017 at Battery Gardens



Sam
Schwartz
Consulting,
LLC



W/M/S/DBE



The Woman of the Year Award honors a leader in transportation who has distinguished herself through her professional achievements and support of women in the industry.



2016 Woman of the Year, Karen Rae with Commissioner Trotenberg and WTS-GNY President Knaster



Request from Yvonne Lopez-Diaz, Chair of the Glass Ceiling Committee:

The Glass Ceiling Committee is pursuing research and development of a study to benchmark transportation industry women's leadership roles in the metropolitan New York area. The study also will identify whether the glass ceiling is a barrier to their growth and success. The results of this study will identify potential policies and/or programs to support the recruitment, retention, and advancement of women in the field. Part of the committee's work involves surveying companies both public and private.



Your help in promoting the survey is very much needed and appreciated. For the survey to get to the right HR professional, we need your help in identifying the HR

representative at your place of employment. Please forward his/her contact information (email, phone, and address) to the address below.

For any additional questions or to express your interest in being part of this ground-breaking effort, you also can contact me at the email below.

wtsgny.glass.ceiling@gmail.com



WTS GNY - Volunteer Opportunities:

Volunteer for a Committee:

A great opportunity to get involved with WTS GNY! We need transportation-savvy volunteers. If you want to get involved,

have time to volunteer and contribute, please contact us immediately! Contact [Keri Cibelli](#) our Volunteer Champion today!

Transportation You Committee:

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.

To find out how you can get involved, please contact Sutapa Bandyopadhyay at sband@njtpa.org.

WTS-GNY Deadline for August News:

July 29, 2017

email wtsigny@gmail.com

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