Phoenix Awards Details for Member Nominate/Voted Awards

General Eligibility Criteria:

- Event/Program Date: All events and programs must have occurred since Summer 2023 to be eligible for an award, except for Phoenix Awards 2024 (Phoenix Awards 2023 may be nominated) and their related sponsors, venues, committees, and events based on submission deadlines.
- MPI Georgia Member: The nominated entity (organization, individual, etc.) must have representation in MPI Georgia and be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing.
- Awards are based on the members work within MPI Georgia.

Committee of the Year Award

Description: Awarded to the MPI Georgia volunteer committee (award accepted by the committee chair) that provided a significant impact and valuable contribution to our chapter since Summer 2023. Note that Phoenix Awards 2023 committee is eligible this year while Phoenix Awards 2024 committee will be eligible next year.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Board members are not eligible

Chapter Leader of the Year

Description: Awarded to the member who has served in a leadership role and whose work has made considerable contribution to the growth of our chapter.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Must not have won this award within the past 5 years
- Board members are eligible

Supplier of the Year Award

Description: Awarded to a Supplier member who has impacted our chapter through their unwavering **volunteer** service and commitment.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must not have won this award in in the past 5 years
- Must be an active member on a committee within the current year
- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Board members are not eligible

Planner of the Year Award

Description: Awarded to a Planner member who has impacted our chapter through their unwavering **volunteer** service and commitment.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must not have won this award in in the past 5 years
- Must be an active member on a committee within the current year
- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Board members are not eligible

Sponsor Impact Award

Description: Awarded to a sponsoring company that uses innovation and creativity to impact the membership and showcase their company. This award is not about who spent the most money but about who had the highest impact from their sponsorship. This award can be presented to a cash or an in-kind sponsor.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a cash or in-kind sponsor from the current fiscal year
- Must not have won the previous year.
- A board member's company can be nominated

Rising Star of the Year Award - Planner

Description: Awarded to a new member (tenure of three years or less) who has made the most notable contribution of volunteer **service** to our chapter.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Must not have won this award in any previous year
- Membership tenure cannot exceed three years
- Board members not eligible

Rising Star of the Year Award - Supplier

Description: Awarded to a new member (tenure of three years or less) who has made the most notable contribution of volunteer **service** to our chapter.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must be a current member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Must not have won this award in any previous year
- Membership tenure cannot exceed three years
- Board members not eligible

Student Member of the Year (if applicable):

Description: Awarded to an active student member who has impacted our chapter through their unwavering volunteer service and commitment.

Additional Eligibility Criteria:

- Must not have won this award in any previous year
- Must be an active member on a committee within the current year
- Must be a current verified student member of MPI Georgia in good standing
- Note: If no valid nominations are made, this award will not be presented for this year

Legacy Awards:

The below Awards will not be sent out to the membership for nominations – the process will be managed by IPP. No one member can win multiple Legacy awards during the same year.

Hall of Fame/Lifetime Achievement Award

Description: Awarded to a long-standing member who has committed at least a decade of service to our association. This member strives to make our industry a strong force of education and personal achievement. *Nominees for this award are chosen by the MPI Georgia Past Presidents Council.*

Hayward C. Cox, Jr., CMP Continuing Quality Award

Description: Awarded to a long-standing member who has committed at least five years of service to our association. This member has made substantial contributions to the chapter. *Nominees, finalists, and recipient for this award are chosen by the MPI Georgia Past Presidents Council.*

The Lorraine Powell Influence Award

Description: The Lorraine Powell Influence Award honors MPI Georgia Chapter Past President Lorraine Powell, who

influenced countless MPI members and the overall direction of the chapter for decades. This award will be given to an MPI Georgia member who has influenced the path and future of an MPI member and/or the chapter as a whole. The award recipient will embody the spirit of MPI and what it means to its members and the meetings industry.