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5<sup>th</sup> Annual NACE ISES Chicago Excellence Awards *Presented by the Chicago Chapters of ISES and NACE*

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## **GLORIA NELSON EVENT DESIGN, LLC WINS 2006 NICE AWARD FOR CHICAGO SPECIAL EVENT EXCELLENCE**

**[Winneconne, WI], April 2, 2006** – The Chicago Chapters of NACE (National Association of Catering Executives) and ISES (International Special Events Society) are pleased to announce that Gloria Nelson Event Design, LLC has received a 2006 NICE Award (NACE ISES Chicago Excellence Award) for Best Nonprofit Fundraising Event. Winning event entries are judged on merit in accordance with established criteria based on their ability to meet their objectives, event originality and creativity, integration of event elements, event execution, collateral materials, event quality and attention to detail, as well as the event concept and challenges that were met and/or overcome. The awards were presented at the awards dinner and banquet at the Brookfield Zoo.

"The NICE Awards is a snapshot of the previous year in the Chicago event industry," says NICE Awards Co-Chair Ryan Verhulst of Chicago Marriott O'Hare. "In addition, it gives the best of the best in NACE and ISES the chance to shine in front of their peers," adds Verhulst.

Guests of the event were treated to cocktail reception in one of the zoo's newest exhibits, live entertainment, and a chance to win great raffle prizes. The highlight of the evening was of course the award presentations to members of the Chicago special event industry in the categories of event planning, catering, entertainment, creative services and support services.



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**International Special Events Society - ISES**

Founded in 1990, the Chicago Chapter of the International Special Events Society (ISES) strives to elevate the Chicago area special events industry through education and networking, with an emphasis on ethics and professionalism. Membership joins professionals from a variety of special event disciplines including journalists, venues, caterers, meeting and event planners, decorators, audio-visual technicians, party and convention coordinators, educators, photographers, hotel sales managers and many more.

**National Association of Catering Executives - NACE**

The Chicago Chapter of the National Association of Catering Executives (NACE) provides catering and event professionals with superior education, networking, and resources to enhance their career success and deliver excellence to their clients.