

Best of Ballston winners include Marymount University president



The Ballston BID hosted our second annual Best of Ballston Awards Program presented by Clark Construction in conjunction with BID's Annual Meeting at the Hilton Arlington Hotel on June 14th. The awards program celebrated the innovative businesses, community leaders and real estate professionals behind Ballston's renaissance.

Awards were presented in the following categories:

Best of Ballston: Broker Award

Presented to Peter Berk, David Millard, Caroline Guidera and Nicholas Gregorios of Avison Young.

In the last nine months, the team completed 75,000 square feet of leases between two properties at 901 North Glebe Road and 1000 North Glebe Road, of which 60,000 square feet represent new tenants to Ballston and expansion of tenants already located in Ballston.

Best of Ballston: Property Manager Award

Presented to Michael Cahill of Lincoln Property Company representing Meridian Group

Michael has been instrumental in aiding the Ballston BID's community unification programs, from BLinked, Ballston's free public WiFi network, to new benches and improved trash receptacles, Michael has utilized all

these programs to connect tenants to services, products and programs that help build business.

Best of Ballston: Innovation & Creativity Award

Presented to Paul O'Brien and Susan Dawson of GHT Limited

GHT's work to create innovate, comfortable and healthy environments for office tenants has made Arlington an attractive business location that attracts and retains companies. Their project portfolio includes more than 25,000,000 square feet of local LEED Certified space, including the Arlington Gaeway and the Westin Arlington Hotel in Ballston.

Best of Ballston: Robert Ball Sr. Award

The final event of the evening was the presentation of the Robert Ball Sr. Award to Dr. Matthew D. Shank, President of Marymount University, in recognition of his contributions to Arlington and his dedication to serving the community. Serving as Marymount's president since 2011, Dr. Shank has worked tirelessly to strengthen Arlington both intellectually and aesthetically, from his role in developing the "Blue Goose" into the Marymount Ballston Center to his work with the Arlington Street People's Assistance Network and numerous additional community organizations.

Though President Shank was unable to attend, he was represented by Jamie Reynolds, Director of Athletics at Marymount University, Betsy Frantz, President of Virginia Hospital Center Foundation, and Kates Bates, President & CEO of the Arlington Chamber of Commerce.