

women in construction



ACC Construction expresses gratitude for the year they have had so far

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We want to publicly express our gratitude for the year we have had so far at ACC Construction. While many people in construction and real estate are definitely slower, we are working hard and holding our own.

Partly it's sales and marketing, no question. A larger part is the tremendous loyalty we've earned from our repeat clients, mostly real estate management and/or building owners. But we have several new clients, and we have built several

projects that we are particularly proud of. We are grateful that we had the work to do, and thankful to our in-house team as well as our sub-contractors and vendors that the jobs came out so nicely. A short list:

- Two Park Avenue, where ACC has been doing quite a bit of building upgrade and renovations for L&L Holdings. The most visible aspect of our work is the beautifully renovated lobby, designed by Fifield Piaker, that greets everyone as it fronts lower Park Avenue.

- Rockefeller Center, where we have constructed three tenant build-outs for Tishman Speyer Properties, a repeat client. We are delighted to have such a prestigious address in our portfolio, and we look forward to working on more spaces in those historic buildings.

- An on-call contract at CBS on the West Side is leading to slightly

larger projects, about which we are very excited. The dedicated ACC staff there is consistently busy, and additional staff are being called in as we bid on more work.

- The Lanier Law Firm, similarly, is based in Houston but took a floor in midtown, which we built early this year. DPM Architecture designed a sophisticated, highly functional space for Lanier.

- We spent several months on pre-built offices at 112 West 34th Street for potential tenants at the request of Newmark Knight Frank, who manages the building for W&H Properties, one of our largest clients. That work helped us understand the needs of Candlestick, an apparel company who took space and had us construct it out for them.

- Like its neighbor across the street, One Park Avenue committed to a lobby renovation this year,

which is being built by ACC. It is another elegant lobby, originally built in the 30's.

- An unusual duplex office at 292 Madison ended up as the home of a financial services company after we built out the space. The offices boast a spiral staircase, an outdoor terrace and views of the decorative brickwork on the Art Deco roof next door.

- As super-retailer TJ Maxx moves into New York City, ACC is helping to establish their foothold. This Upper West Side store, being built on Columbus Avenue at West 100th Street, will fill 34,000 square feet with a wide range of TJ Maxx merchandise.

- SL Green has hired ACC to build or upgrade many of its Class A and corporate spaces. Beautifully designed pre-built office suites and public spaces using sustainable materials and constant upgrades to

their building systems is a testament to the company's commitment to environmental responsibility.

With all of this work just completed and more on the horizon, of course we are grateful, especially in this economic climate. We appreciate the range of work, the talented architects and engineers with whom we collaborate and the real estate professionals who keep the projects on track. If anything positive has come out of this market and climate, it is a heightened sense of collaboration, a sense that "We are all in this together."

We are keeping our firm focused, working every day, and saying a humble "Thank you" to the people we work with and the people we work for.

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ABLE Equipment Rental exhibits at "Construction Tech 2009"

NEW YORK, NY ABLE Equipment Rental, Inc. recently participated in The Greater New York Construction User Council and The Building Trades Employers' Association's special conference and exhibition, "Construction Tech 2009," on June 25, at The New York City District Council of Carpenters Labor Technical College located at 395 Hudson St. as an exhibitor.

ABLE exhibited their equipment solutions at a booth during the conference. ConTech was a special half-day conference that examined the latest innovations in construction technology and its impact on the real estate, design and construction industries. The conference provided an excellent marketing opportunity for companies who wish to promote their products or services to a national construction, design and real estate audience.

The exhibition featured three panels: a Yankee Stadium BIM Case Study, Building Productivity Through Information Sharing, and Green Retrofitting. The panelists were succeeded by a presentation of special awards given to New York City's First Green School Project by Kenneth Block of Tannenbaum Helpner Syracuse & Hirschtritt LLP and Bruce Weiner of BW Reographics. The World Wide Group, The School Construction Authority, Ehrenkrantz, Eckstut and Kuhn Architects and Bovis Lend Lease LMB, Inc. received awards for their work on the project.



ABLE is proud to offer an extensive fleet of aerial and construction equipment at competitive prices. Additionally, ABLE Power Systems offers electrical and mechanical equipment applications for critical facilities support and contingency planning. Air conditioners, cooling equipment, generator sets and heating equipment in a broad range of sizes are also available. ABLE Rigging Contractors is comprised of rigging service professionals dedicated to the safety and on-time record of completing specialized rigging projects. ABLE's licensed Master Riggers are highly experienced and excel in turn-key heavy lifting and moving solutions. Their rigging services team handles all permitting, documentation planning, and coordination with on site trades.

This includes value engineering and design build services that ensure fair pricing and on time service.

ABLE is proud to be recognized and certified as a women-owned business servicing the construction industry since 1996. Being family-owned and operated, ABLE takes their commitment to provide exceptional personal service and reliable equipment extremely seriously. ABLE has a dedicated team of specialists that are determined to make sure that every client is completely satisfied with their rental from beginning to end. Their service department and state-of-the-art mobile repair truck is always on-call to provide clients with a fully equipped repair shop. ABLE is ready to repair or rebuild any piece of equipment in a timely, cost effective manner.

Women in Relocation holds Annual Spring Event

NEW YORK, NY Women in Relocation, a New York City-based national organization of relocation professionals, held their Annual Spring Event on June 3. The productive event was hosted by Brown Harris Stevens at their Park Ave. office. Dedicated to providing a forum to meet and network with colleagues, Women in Relocation is committed to making a positive contribution to local real estate communities. This energizing event always serves as a springboard for members to discuss plans and charitable affiliations for the coming year.

This year, Women in Relocation chose to support "The Bridge

Fund," whose mission is to assist vulnerable, working individuals and families threatened with the loss of their housing. The Bridge Fund works with those who do not qualify for emergency government assistance because they have a limited income.

The Bridge Fund provides hope and possibility by offering compassionate listening, information and referrals. Additionally, they offer budget counseling, advocacy, and financial assistance, often in the form of interest-free loans to pay rental or mortgage arrears that threaten eviction or foreclosure.

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Being green helped me take on the challenge to my aging brain and develop new neural pathways to study intensely for the LEED certification exam. The most amazing aspect of that experience was how my family, friends and colleagues influenced me in so many supportive and loving ways that I PASSED! Trust me – as a candidate for success – I was a long-shot!

So my life lesson was how the support of others influenced my outcomes and put me in the frame of mind to achieve success. It is in this spirit of hopefully influencing the success of others that I carry the message of Sustainability to others...helping facilities managers

create a "Net-Zero-Waste Move™" and in general, support them in implementing green initiatives within their organizations.

To all my women colleagues, with respect to cultivating influence, particularly in the construction and project management industry, I have only this to say – which I know you've heard a thousand times before – do what you love, love what you do...and most of all, do it with the people you love to be with!!

Love, listen and learn...these are the keys to success.

Our vision, since inception, is the same: saving trees one corporate move at a time." I'm truly blessed to live and breathe my vision every day – and to be surrounded by influencers who help make it a reality...every day!

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