



21th ANNUAL WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON AND AWARDS CEREMONY

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ALAMEDA COUNTY WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME TO INDUCT 12 OUTSTANDING WOMEN AT 2014 CELEBRATION

Twelve outstanding local women will be inducted into the Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame at its 21st Anniversary Luncheon and Awards Ceremony in Oakland on March 29.

This year's inductees are:

- **Agnes Ubalde**, Business and Professions. Agnes is an executive with Wells Fargo in Oakland who has spearheaded company efforts to support local affordable housing and economic and community development projects.
- **Sallie T. Carey**, Community Service. Known to many as Mama Sallie, Ms. Carey has led efforts to provide food, clothing and other services to the poor in West Oakland for more than 40 years.
- **Liane Yasumoto**, Culture and Art. Liane is the Executive Director of Culture Disability Talent, a non-profit, collaborative organization that works to transform disability stereotypes by providing access and opportunities for performers and filmmakers with disabilities.
- **Katherine Dunphy Guzman**, Education. Katherine is a Senior Engineer at Sandia National Laboratories in Livermore who leads numerous outreach efforts to interest young women and minorities in careers in Science-Technology-Engineering-Math.
- **Jennifer Krill**, Environment. Jennifer is Executive Director of EarthWorks in Berkeley and she advocates for communities worldwide that are negatively impacted by mining and oil/gas production.
- **Carol Brown**, Health. Carol is Coordinator of the California Foster Children's Health Project Task Force in Oakland and a leading expert on health services for foster youth.
- **Monica Anderson**, Justice. Monica is a reporter for Youth Radio whose stories on child sex trafficking in Oakland won national awards.
- **Deborah Ale Flint**, Non-Traditional Careers. Deborah is Director of Aviation for the Port of Oakland and chief executive at Oakland International Airport.
- **Alba Witkin** of Berkeley, Philanthropy. Alba is founder of the Bernard E. and Alba Witkin Charitable Foundation, which since 1982 has given more than \$15 million to charitable organizations across the Bay Area.
- **Arlene Blum** of Berkeley, Science, Technology, Engineering. Arlene is a chemist whose research into toxic flame retardants in furniture and other items led to new California standards. She also

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is an outstanding mountaineer who led the first women-only expeditions to scale some of the world's tallest peaks.

- **Vanessa Hanley Lordi** of Livermore, Sports and Athletics. Vanessa has recruited large numbers of women athletes into the West Valley Track Club, the oldest track club in Northern California.
- **SiLin Huang**, Youth. SiLin was a straight A student at San Leandro High School when a debilitating illness forced her to leave school; she then went on to get her GED and has launched an education drive to inform youth about the dangers of Hepatitis B.

“Each of these outstanding women helps make Alameda County a place that is second-to-none in terms of its vibrant culture and rich diversity,” said Alameda County Administrator Susan S. Muranishi, an event co-chair. “We believe this outstanding class of inductees will help make 2014 our best year ever.”

To learn more about the 2014 inductees to the Alameda County Women's Hall of Fame, go to <http://www.acgov.org/cao/halloffame/>.

This year's Women's Hall of Fame luncheon and awards ceremony is set for 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 29, 2014, at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 4700 Lincoln Avenue, Oakland. The event will be hosted by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors and the Alameda County Commission on the Status of Women.

The program raises money for local charities providing needed resources to women and children in our community. The Women's Hall of Fame also sponsors a Youth Scholarship to help a young woman further her education or training. Individual sponsorships are available, providing an opportunity for our business, government and community partners to support our youth. Tickets to the luncheon and awards ceremony are \$75. For tickets, visit <http://www.acgov.org/cao/halloffame/>. For sponsorship opportunities, call (510) 272-3882.