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50 YEARS OF BUILDING OPPORTUNITY

Celebration & Awards Dinner

FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 20TH, 2026 | 6PM

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2026 MOKAN AWARDEES

THOMAS NELLUMS, SR. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

TOM FINAN

Executive Director/Co-Founder, Construction Forum

GERRY BLACKWELL

President, G. Blackwell & Associates

DEVELOPER OF THE YEAR AWARD

NORTH ST LOUIS - BRICKLINE GREENWAY

MARK PERKINS, Chief Executive Officer, Great Rivers Greenway

DOWNTOWN ST. LOUIS - JEFFERSON ARMS RESIDENCES

MIKE SARIMSAKCI, CEO, Alterra Worldwide

**GRAND CENTER - NINE PBS HEADQUARTERS RENOVATION
& BSI POWELL SYMPHONY HALL RENOVATION**

SONDRA ROTTY, President and COO, Tarlton Corporation

METRO EAST

CITY OF EAST ST. LOUIS, Municipal Development Partner, Efficacy Consulting - Broadview

EMERGING BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD

BRITTNEE WHITE

Owner / General Contractor, EPM Construction LLC

PRIVATE EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD

JANELLE TURNER

Director of Supplier Diversity, Washington University in St. Louis

PUBLIC SECTOR EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR AWARD

FELICIA HINTON-RAMEY

Board of Public Service Trustee, City of St. Louis Board of Public Service

FRANCOISE LYLES-WIGGINS

Director, Business Diversity Development, St. Louis Lambert International Airport

WBE CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

SHELIA HUDSON

President & CEO, Hudson & Associates, LLC

MBE CONTRACTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

SHAUN CARR

Owner / President, Carr Flooring

FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OF THE YEAR AWARD

BRUCE J. DYCK

Regional President St. Louis, First Mid Bank & Trust

COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION AWARD

MICHAEL MCMILLAN

President and CEO, Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis

COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDER AWARD

CHRIS KREHMEYER

President and CEO, Beyond Housing

RON HINES

Founder and Producing Director, The Black Rep



RELEVANCY OF MOKAN 50 YEARS IN THE MAKING “WE WORK SO YOU CAN WORK”

- MOKAN is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent of the law.
- Since 1974, MOKAN Construction and Contractors Assistance Center has been at the forefront of efforts to provide opportunities for MBE and WBE contractors.
- The mission of MOKAN is to serve as an advocate and negotiator for the inclusion of minority and women-owned businesses in construction projects.
- While MOKAN is a strong advocate for its members, the organization also works diligently with owners and majority contractors to develop strategies for increased diversity on public and private projects.
- Daily, MOKAN opens its doors to local workers and minority and female businesses for educational and training services.
- MOKAN’S motto, “We Work So You Can Work,” guides its planning and operations on behalf of minority contractors and workers.

MOKAN’S BUSINESS INSTITUTE PROGRAM

is an education and training academy delivering workshops, seminars and industry-specific training to minority contractors. Sessions are facilitated by professionals with the training, certification and experience in each specific subject area.

MOKAN’S PRE-APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING PROGRAM

is specifically designed with industry-based training coupled with classroom instruction to prepare non-traditional construction workers to enter and succeed within a Registered Apprenticeship Union or Non-Union Program.

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