

**The Toronto Congress Centre's Diana Di Manno is recognized
for Industry Volunteerism**

TORONTO: April 27, 2009. . . On March 5th Meeting Planners International (MPI) Toronto presented Diana Di Manno, Event Logistics Manager at the Toronto Congress Centre with its *Outstanding Volunteer of the Year Award*. The award annually recognizes excellence, commitment, service and involvement at the chapter level, meetings industry and community at large.

Ms. Di Manno has been a member of MPI since 2005 and during that time has been actively involved in Toronto chapter meetings, member care and recruitment. MPI Toronto Executive Director, Leslie Wright says, "Diana is passionate and enthusiastic about the meetings industry, and as a leader she engages everyone. In 2008 she was active on several MPI committees, including being responsible for seven big chapter meetings and acting as leader of our All Team meetings."

Ms. Di Manno is super organized - a quality that is highly regarded by her employer and MPI, and a skill that helps her to juggle her many commitments. "Not only is Diana busy with her job and MPI involvement," Ms. Wright explains, "but the award also recognizes her community volunteer work with the Dorothy Ley Hospice Golf Tournament and the Toronto Congress Centre's Community Engagement Committee."

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