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Plano Convention and Visitors Bureau and Plano Centre Receive Best of Awards

The Plano Convention and Visitors Bureau, CVB, was named, for the second year in a row, the Best Destination Management Organization in the Texas Northern Region and Plano Centre was named the Best Conference/Convention/Exhibition Centre in the same region during a reception hosted by Texas Meetings and Events Magazine this week at the Lakeway Resort and Spa in Austin, TX.

This is a **Readers' Choice Best of Award** and winners are voted on by the meeting planners, event planners and suppliers who read *Texas Meetings + Events* magazine.

The Best of Awards are designed to honor the cream of the crop in the regional meetings and events industry. We achieve this by giving the power to determine the winners solely to the readers— every vote in each category is influential and important in determining the final winner.

The awards are a celebration of the hard work and above-and-beyond service of suppliers who help planners be at the top of their game.

Accepting the award for the Plano CVB and Plano Centre was Mark Thompson, Director of the Plano Convention and Visitors Bureau. Runners up for Best Destination Management Organization were Outstanding Productions and Ultimate Ventures. Runners up for Best Conference/Convention/Exhibition Center were the Gaylord Texan Hotel and Convention Center and the Fort Worth Convention Center.

The aloft Plano was also a runner up under the category of Best New Venues.

“Recognitions like this mean a lot to the Plano CVB because they are voted on by both our customers and industry partners,” said Mark Thompson, Director of the Plano CVB.

Other Northern Region winners include: Catering - Creative Cuisine, Entertainment - Lone Star Murder Mysteries by Lagniappe Productions, Florist – Macaux Floral, Golf Resort/Country Club – Cowboys Golf Club, Holiday Event/Party venue – City Club Fort Worth, Hotel with Meeting Space – Gaylord Texan Hotel and Conference Center, Unique Venue – Circle R Ranch, Teambuilding Facility/Organization - Circle R Ranch, Green Meetings/Event Venue – Garrett Creek Ranch Conference Centre, Rental Service – Ducky-Bob's Event Specialist, Transportation – Premier Transportation Services and Photographers – Carpe Vita Photography.

A full list of all the winners will appear in the fall 2009 issue of *Texas Meetings + Events*.

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