

2016 GANYC Apple Award Winners Announced

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GUIDES ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK CITY (GANYC) PRESENTS 13 AWARDS CELEBRATING OUTSTANDING NEW YORK ACHIEVEMENTS AT 2016 GANYC APPLE AWARDS

*Those Who Know New York Best Honor the Best of New York
at Sold-Out, Star-Studded Affair*

NEW YORK, Monday, March 7 — **The Guides Association of New York City (GANYC)** presented its 2016 **GANYC Apple Awards** at a sold-out, star-studded ceremony on Monday night March 7 at the **Leonard Nimoy Thalia at Symphony Space** in Manhattan. GANYC honored 13 organizations and people with 2016 Apple Awards for encouraging and promoting New York City tourism, culture and preservation while supporting the work and contributions of professional New York City tourist guides.

The big winner of the evening was **Jeremiah Moss**, who took home two awards. Moss received the Outstanding Achievement in Support of NYC Preservation for the **#SaveNYC** campaign and the website **Jeremiah's Vanishing New York**; that same website won the Outstanding NYC Website award.

Here is the complete list of 2016 GANYC Apple Award Winners:

- Outstanding Achievement in Support of New York City Culture
Susan Henshaw Jones, Ronay Menschel Director, Museum of the City of New York
- Outstanding Achievement in Support of NYC Tourism
Gregory Wessner, Executive Director, Open House New York
- Outstanding Achievement in Support of NYC Preservation
Jeremiah Moss, Organizer of #SaveNYC, author of Vanishing New York
- Outstanding NYC Website
**Vanishing New York, <http://vanishingnewyork.blogspot.com/>
Jeremiah Moss**
- Outstanding Achievement in Radio Program/Podcasts (Audio/spoken word)
The Brian Lehrer Show, WNYC 93.9FM
- Outstanding Achievement in NYC Food (Anniversaries and Special Accomplishments)
Yonah Schimmel Knishery, Celebrating 125 years
- Outstanding Achievement in Nonfiction Book Writing (Published between October 2014-15)

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Saving Place: 50 Years of New York City Landmarks edited by Donald Albrecht and Andrew Dolkart, Iwan Baan photographer

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- Outstanding Achievement in Fiction Book Writing (Published between October 2014-15)
***City on Fire: A Novel*, by Garth Risk Hallberg**
- Outstanding Achievement in Essay/Article/Series Writing (Published October 2014-15)
***Grub Street, New York Magazine*, Sierra Tishgart, Senior Editor**
- Outstanding Achievement in NYC Museum Exhibitions (October 2014-15)
***Frida Kahlo: Art, Garden, Life*; Adriana Zavala, Guest Curator, New York Botanical Garden**
- Outstanding Achievement in NYC Photography (Singular Image Published October 2014-15)
Jeff Chien-Hsing Liao, *Highbridge*

In addition, GANYC presented two legacy awards: The Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Harlem jazz legend **Marjorie Eliot**, and the inaugural Guiding Spirit Award was presented to **Lee Gelber**, the “Dean of New York tour guides.”

The 44 nominees across 13 Outstanding Achievement categories were announced by the GANYC Awards Committee in December; visit www.ganyc.org/2016-ganyc-apple-awards to view the complete list of nominees. The GANYC membership voted on the nominees through mid-January, leading up to the awards ceremony on March 7, where the winners were announced.

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