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***Southern California Meetings + Events* magazine announces its
Best of 2009 awards**

Los Angeles, September 11, 2009 – The best of the meetings and events industry was on display last night at The Studios at Paramount. More than 200 meetings and events service professionals applauded the industry's finest at the first annual *Southern California Meetings + Events* Best Of awards celebration.

The awards honor the dedication and creativity of local event professionals who have earned the respect and admiration of their clients and peers. The readers' choice award winners were selected through online voting at smeetingsmag.com.

Best Attraction – San Diego Zoo

Best Caterer – Crown Point Catering

Best Rental Service – Classic Party Rentals

Best Destination Management Company – Access Destination Services

Best Destination Management Organization – San Diego Convention & Visitors Bureau

Best Entertainment – Epic Entertainment

Best Décor – EventWorks

Best A/V Provider – PSAV Presentation Services

Best Florist– Tustin Florist

Best Restaurant (with private space) – Bertrand at Mr. A's

Best Green Venue – The New Children's Museum

Best Golf Venue – Torrey Pines Golf Course

Best Hotel (more than 200 rooms) – Pacific Palms Resort

Best Hotel (less than 200 rooms) – Se San Diego Hotel

Best Historic Hotel – Hotel del Coronado

Best Desert Resort – La Quinta Resort & Club

Best Coastal Attraction – U.S.S. Midway Aircraft Carrier Museum

Best Outdoor Venue – Embarcadero Marina Park

Best Boats – Hornblower Cruises

Best Transportation – Cloud 9 Super Shuttle

Best Convention Center – San Diego Convention Center

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Best Photography/Videography – Morningstar Productions

Best Winery – Wilson Creek Winery & Vineyards

Best Conference Center – Pacific Palms Resort

Best Teambuilding – Out of the Ordinary

Best Casino – Barona Resort & Casino

Best Spa – La Costa Resort & Spa

Editor's Picks:

Best Hotel Dining – The Grand Del Mar

Best New Desert Oasis – Riviera Resort & Spa

Best New Coastal Hotel – Terranea Resort

Best Off-the-Beaten-Path Winery – Fallbrook Winery

Best Tour Operator – Where You Want to be Tours

Best Bar/Restaurant with Meeting Space – The Kress Hollywood

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Partners that helped make the celebration a success include The Studios at Paramount, CVENT, Marriott Hotels & Resorts, JoAnna James, Lounge 22, Swank Audio Visuals, Ivy's Flower Station and Event Day Photography.

Southern California Meetings + Events is one of nine regional Meetings + Events magazines published by Tiger Oak Publications. It is the definitive resource for meetings and events professionals in Southern California. The idea-driven magazine focuses on the issues facing today's meeting and event professionals in Southern California and beyond and looks to address all aspects of the industry through in-depth feature stories, insightful departments and helpful news and updates on tips and trends. For more information and to view photos from the event, visit meetingsmags.com.

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