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Throughout the year, NJCACC organizes special events to promote networking between members, as well as informative seminars and workshops. NJCACC also hosts an annual awards banquet honoring Chinese-American business and community leaders for their outstanding achievements and contributions.



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Good evening, ladies and gentlemen,

Welcome to the NJCACC 19th Anniversary Gala. Thank you for coming out tonight to celebrate as we experience rebirth to “rejoice and thrive”. The Board at NJCACC is thrilled to present our heroes and heroines from across industries. Their resilience, tenacity and passion catapult them to the forefront of their professions. Most of all, they are not done yet. They continue to break ground and reach new heights. We are rejoicing tonight for what has been achieved. More importantly, we are laying the seeds for what seems impossible tomorrow.

We are experiencing economic hardship and dire geopolitical treacherous waterways. We need leadership as well as grassroots efforts. We hope you will be as inspired as we are by our 2022 awardees, and we are eager to learn and assist you in your endeavors in life.

Pain travels until it reaches the person who can look at it and say “No further, what was done to you, you did to me, but I will not do it to someone else!” These people are the reason the world is infinitely better than it should be.

We greatly appreciate your presence tonight, please enjoy this beautiful evening.

Yin Long
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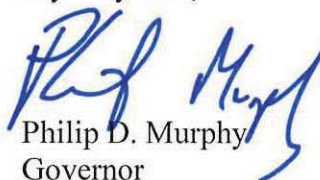
It is my pleasure to welcome all those gathered to commemorate the New Jersey Chinese American Chamber of Commerce (NJCACC) 19th Anniversary at the NJCACC Gala and Awards Banquet.

For almost two decades, this extraordinary nonprofit organization has been providing New Jersey residents in the Chinese American business community with the resources to promote their businesses and join the American economy. As Governor, I commend the NJCACC for their unwavering commitment to carrying out their important mission and making New Jersey a place to call home for many Chinese American businesses.

I also want to take this time to recognize tonight's honorees, keynote speaker and first Asian-American President of NJIT Dr. Teik C. Lim, violinist of the Metropolitan Opera Shenghua Hu, Executive Director of the Children's Orchestra Society Dr. Yeou-Cheng Ma, Head of China Southern Airlines North America Ming Hou, CEO of Silverline Group Youpeng Wang, Council Member Stephany Kim-Chohan, CEO of New York Wealth Planning Group Sally Mak, Founder and CEO of Cresthill Academy Christina Dorando, and nonprofit organization UA3. Tonight's honorees have demonstrated an extraordinary level of personal achievement and dedication to their communities that is truly worthy of special recognition.

Best wishes for a memorable event, and always know that the State of New Jersey stands behind you as you continue to enhance and empower the business needs and interests of Chinese Americans throughout our Great State.

My very best,


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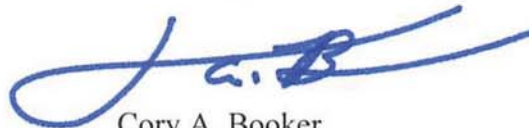
Dear Friends,

It is with tremendous joy that I extend my warmest greetings as you gather for the New Jersey Chinese American Chamber of Commerce's 19th Anniversary Gala and Awards Banquet. I am honored to celebrate your successes in business and culture, your invaluable contributions to our community, and the accomplishments on tonight's distinguished honorees.

Since its inception, the New Jersey Chinese-American Chamber of Commerce (NJCACC) has worked to weave Chinese-American and Asian-American businesses into the fabric of the American economy. Your steadfast commitment to diversity and inclusivity is commendable, as you strive to bring people together through informative seminars, hands-on workshops, and hosting events like tonight's auspicious occasion. As a member of the Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship Committee, I recognize the profound impact of the work that your organization has on people's lives. I have the utmost gratitude for your organization's devotion to helping our communities realize their dreams.

Again, congratulations and I look forward to celebrating your continued success.

Sincerely,



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Dear Friends,

Please accept my best wishes as you gather for the New Jersey Chinese-American Chamber of Commerce's 19th Anniversary Gala and Awards Banquet. I am delighted to recognize tonight's celebration of "*Rejoice and Thrive*" as exemplified by the Award Honorees and the rich history and profound impact of the Chinese-American community in New Jersey. A special congratulations to all of this evening's honorees!

The NJCACC continues to serve as a vital resource and voice for the Chinese and Asian American community in the Garden State. Since its inception, the NJCACC has grown into a diverse network, and as tonight's honorees highlight, has become reflective of the vast array of occupations and businesses that make the contributions of the Chinese-Americans so unique to the vibrant tapestry of great state.

As your United States Senator, I am incredibly proud of the NJCACC community and the influence they have to our state and our nation. In every profession and in every walk of life, Chinese-Americans have contributed to the greatness of America. I am proud to be your voice in the United States Senate. My best wishes for an enjoyable and successful evening.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert Menendez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "R" and "M".

Robert Menendez
United States Senator



CONGRESSMAN ANDY KIM
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October 23, 2022

Dear Friends,

I am honored to be invited again to the New Jersey Chinese-American Chamber of Commerce gala. I regret that I'm not able to attend this year but want to wish a heartfelt congratulations to all who helped to organize this event. It is an excellent opportunity to not only promote Asian American culture, but to also celebrate our community.

All of the work the NJCACC has been doing to support Chinese and Asian American businesses in New Jersey throughout the COVID-19 pandemic is so important. Your efforts and support have been a lifeline for so many small business owners and entrepreneurs in our community. Through the rise of anti-Asian hate, racism, and the disproportionate toll the pandemic took on the Chinese and Asian business community, NJCACC's work has been especially salient and impactful.

I also want to show my appreciation to the NJCACC for their work as an affiliate of the National Asian / Pacific Islander American Chamber of Commerce and Entrepreneurship. Their collaboration makes for a better life for millions of people across the country.

Congratulations again to everyone who organized the gala and all awards recipients. The importance of your work can not be understated. I look forward to learning more about the NJCACC's ongoing efforts and partnering with you all to advance progress in the coming years!

Sincerely,

Andy Kim
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2022 NJCACC Award Recipients

- 6:30 PM Registration, Cocktail Hour & Networking
- 7:30 PM Beijing Opera Performance - Drunken Beauty
Yong-Hong Jia, Renaissance Chinese Opera Society
- 7:35 PM Introduction of NJCACC Board, Legal Advisor, Staff,
Sponsors, Featured Speakers & VIPs
- 7:40 PM Chair's Welcome Speech
- 7:45 PM Corporate Achievement Award
Diversity Champion Award
Young Entrepreneur Award
Performing Arts Ambassador Award
Professional Achievement Award
- 8:15 PM Dinner & Networking
[1st Raffle](#)
Announcements and Group Photos
- 8:45 PM Keynote Speech
- 9:00 PM Cultural Ambassador Award
Violin Performance - Butterfly
- 9:15 PM Corporate Executive Award
Entrepreneur Award
Community Service Award
- 9:30 PM [2nd Raffle](#)
Closing Remarks



2022 NJCAACC Award Recipients

Corporate Achievement Award

YOUPENG WANG, CEO, Silverline Group

Diversity Champion Award

STEPHANY KIM-CHOHAN, Council Member,
Borough of Highland Park, NJ

Young Entrepreneur Award

CHRISTINA DORANDO, Founder & CEO, Cresthill Academy,
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DR. TEIK C. LIM, President, NJIT

Cultural Ambassador Award

SHENGHUA HU, Internationally Acclaimed Violinist,
The Metropolitan Opera

Corporate Executive Award

MING HOU, CEO, China Southern Airlines North America

Entrepreneur Award

SALLY MAK, Chief Executive Officer,
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Community Service Award

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Corporate Achievement Award

YOUNG PENG WANG, CEO,
Silverline Group.

Dr. Youpeng Wang, also known as Xiaolong Wang, is a visionary leader, banker, investor and entrepreneur, with over 40 years of knowledge across all aspects of Capital Markets, he brings a rich experience of leading various prestigious financial institutions in Asia. Considered as the pioneer and founder of China's capital markets, Mr. Wang has been instrumental in designing processes to modernize and establish an Asset Management Market System in China, Mr Wang has been a key person in establishing guidelines for market operations and regulatory systems of multiple industries in China.

As the CEO of Beijing International Trust Co., Ltd. (BITIC) from 1998-2015, Dr. Wang raised the company assets under management to over 1 Trillion RMB (160B USD), with a 605% increase in revenues, 9708% increase in gross profit and 11450% increase in net profit. Under his stewardship, by 2015 BITIC became the best performing company in China's financial industry, and Dr. Wang was named the Best Leader in Trust in 2015.

Currently Dr. Wang is the CEO of Silverline Group. Dr. Wang currently resides in Manhattan, NY. Dr. Wang earned a B.A. degree from Shanxi University, and a PhD in Economics/Finance from Peking University.



Diversity Champion Award

STEPHANY KIM-CHOHAN, Council Member,
Borough of Highland Park, NJ

Stephany was appointed to the Council in March of 2017. In 2018, she was elected to a three year term becoming the Borough of Highland Park youngest and first Council member of Asian descent. She is proud to serve on Council, and brings with her a wealth of experience in public service. Stephany serves as the Council Chair for capital planning, finance department, Tax assessment & collection, Community development block grant committee, and ethics board liaison.

As Branch Manager and Business Development Officer for BCB Bank, Stephany focuses on Business Development, assisting people seeking to launch or expand their business. She use her professional experience as a bank manager to ensure efficient long-term municipal budgeting, equitable residential zoning and code enhancements.

Stephany is committed to improving the quality of life in Highland Park. Recognizing her fellow Asian American neighbors were living in fear and terror due to the dramatic increase of threats and attacks against those of Asian descent since the COVID-19 crisis began. She led efforts passing the Resolution Condemning Discrimination against Asian-Americans and Asian immigrants Caused by the COVID-19 Outbreak.

Stephany has been involved in a number of political action and volunteer boards. She was a Committee-woman for District 13 in Highland Park, and a member of the Highland Park Planning Board. She was also a Government Affairs Committee Member for the Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce, Treasurer for the NAACP Metuchen-Edison Area Branch as well as the Middlesex County Young Democrats. Stephany grew up in Newark, New Jersey, studied early childhood education at Rutgers University, the daughter of a Korean immigrant father and African American mother living in Highland Park with her husband Narinder and their miniature poodle Valentino.



Young Entrepreneur Award

CHRISTINA DORANDO, Founder & CEO, Cresthill Academy,
Purely Plated Organic, Cresthill Management

Ms. Christina Dorando is the founder and CEO of Cresthill Academy, Cresthill Management and Purely Plated Organics. Cresthill Academy is the leader in Exceptional Early Education™ with six locations in New Jersey, located in Lyndhurst, East Hanover, Harrison and three in Hoboken, NJ. Christina is the founder and owner of Purely Plated Organic, an organic catering company specializing in organic catered school lunches, organic meal delivery and organic holiday pies. Ever the innovator, Ms. Dorando founded Cresthill Management LLC as a PEO in response to streamlining the employee onboarding experience and leveraging the size of her company for better benefits for her employees. Ms. Dorando received her B.S. in Policy and Management and International Relations from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA and her M.Ed. in International Education Policy from Harvard University's Graduate School of Education in Cambridge, MA.



Performing Arts Ambassador Award

DR. YEOU-CHENG MA, Executive Director,
Children's Orchestra Society

Dr. Yeou-Cheng Ma is a Developmental Pediatrician and a musician. A graduate of Radcliffe College and Harvard Medical School, she works with children with developmental disorders in the Bronx, performs as a chamber musician, and teaches violin, viola, and chamber music with The Children's Orchestra Society. Her recent interests include optimizing communication in all children, exploring the relationship of music to young children's temperament, and using music as a means to find the "inner language" of children who have difficulties in verbal communication. Her work as Executive Director of the Children's Orchestra Society has been recognized by multiple awards. She studied violin with Dr. H. T. Ma, Firmin Touche, Arthur Grumiaux, and Koji Toyoda, piano with Germaine Mounier and Rose Simon, and chamber music with Leon Kirchner, gave her first recital on violin and piano at age 7, was the winner of French National Competition, Royaume de la Musique at age 10, played Mendelssohn Violin Concerto at age 11 with the Denver Symphony Orchestra, and more recently performs in chamber music groups with COS faculty and friends.

The Children's Orchestra Society (COS), founded in 1962 by Dr. H.T. Ma, is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to "teaching the language of music" to children and teens. Our mission is to cultivate and nurture children and teach them teamwork and life skills through music-learning and performing in orchestral and chamber music settings, using a child-centered approach. COS members receive excellent training in classical music and opportunities to perform in concerts with their peers as well as with well-established musicians, and reach out to the community to play concerts benefiting victims of natural disasters. COS alumni go on to prestigious colleges and universities, and many of them continue to play. Notable alumni include Caroline Kennedy, Yo-Yo Ma, Shira Stern, Astrid Schween, who recently joined the Juilliard Quartet. For more information, visit www.childrensorch.org, or on Facebook @childrensorchestra



Professional Achievement Award

DR. TEIK C. LIM, President, NJIT

Dr. Teik C. Lim started as the 9th President of the New Jersey Institute of Technology on July 1, 2022. Prior to NJIT, Dr. Lim led the University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) since early 2020 as the interim president and was Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs from 2017-2020.

Dr. Lim's career has spanned from the private sector to university administration. He worked as an engineer at Structural Dynamics Research Corporation before joining The Ohio State University Center for Automotive Research as a research scientist. He taught at the University of Alabama beginning in 1998, as associate professor, before joining the University of Cincinnati in 2002, where he advanced from associate professor, professor and department head to associate dean for graduate studies and research and, ultimately, Dean of the College of Engineering and Applied Science.

Dr. Lim earned his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering (ME) from Michigan Technological University, his Master of Science in ME from the University of Missouri-Rolla, and his Ph.D. in ME from The Ohio State University.

Dr. Lim is internationally recognized as a leading scholar in the field of structural vibrations and acoustics as well as modeling and simulation technology. He was named Fellow of National Academy of Inventors in 2018. He is Fellow of ASME, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, and of SAE, the Society of Automotive Engineers, from which he received numerous research and teaching awards such as the Arch T. Colwell Merit Award in 2003 and the Ralph R. Teetor Educational Award in 2002. He was also recognized with the Thomas French Alumni Achievement Award in 2010, GearLab Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2017, and Distinguished Alumni Award for Academic Excellence in 2019 from his alma mater, The Ohio State University.



Cultural Ambassador Award

SHENGHUA HU, Internationally Acclaimed Violinist, The Metropolitan Opera

Shenghua Simon Hu, Chinese violinist, conductor, is the first Chinese person to serve as the Principal Second Violin of Metropolitan Opera Orchestra, the United States. He once won the Grammy Awards and the gold awards of the International Violin Competition for many times. He is currently the director and conductor of The New York Chamber Orchestra, and active in the stages all over the world. Hu is one of the youngest Principal Violinist of the famous orchestras all over the world. At the age of 29, he served as the Principal Second Violin of Metropolitan Opera Orchestra. Nowadays, Shenghua Simon Hu is the most influential Chinese violinist, who is the only Chinese apprentice of Albert Markov - known as King of Paganini. Just like Bruce Lee - one of apprentices of Yip Man in Chinese Martial art, Shenghua Simon Hu is the classic legend of Chinese music circle, and the pride of oriental classical music circle.

In 2006, he was admitted into College -Conservatory of Music, University of Cincinnati with full scholarship, tutored by Kurt Sassmannshaus - the international master violinist, and Shenghua granted the highest scholarship of "Starling Foundation". From 2008 to 2015, he pursued advanced studies under the guidance of violin mogul Albert Markov - the gold medal winner of the Elizabeth Violin Competition. Over the years, he has established cooperation with many artists, including James Levine, Simon Rattle, Gustavo Dudamel, Yannick Nézet-Séguin, Valery Gergiev, Fabio Luisi and many famous conductors.



Corporate Executive Award

MING HOU, CEO, China Southern Airlines

Mr. Ming Hou had been the Vice President of the Sales Division, in charge of international sales affairs, at China Southern Airlines Headquarters. In 2016, he was promoted as the General Manager of China Southern Airlines North America Marketing and Sales Center. Mr. Hou also acts as CGCC board member and ILF advisor. Mr. Hou achieved remarkable accomplishments in his position.

1. Successfully expanded route coverage between China and the United States, increased the flight frequency of China Southern Airlines from New York to Guangzhou, and launched direct flights from Wuhan to New York, as well as Shenyang to Los Angeles.
2. Actively branding the image of China Southern Airlines in North America. China Southern Airlines frequently showed up in mainstream media, creating a distinct identity and building loyalty over time.
3. Facilitating the development of Chinese community in the United States. Mr. Hou actively planned and sponsored a number of activities, effectively uniting the Chinese power and benefiting the community.



Entrepreneur Award

SALLY MAK, Chief Executive Officer,
New York Wealth Planning Group, Inc

Sally Mak is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of New York Wealth Planning Group and NYWPG Realty, managing businesses in industries spanning the real estate, life/health insurance, and wealth planning sectors.

Prior to taking this role, Sally held several top executive positions at the world's leading financial services firms. These included Senior Vice President for AIG's Greater China Region, Deputy General Manager & Chief Marketing Officer at MetLife China, and Chief Agency Officer at Haier New York Life. Early in Sally's career, she also served as Corporate Vice President and the national Chinese Market Manager at New York Life, playing an instrumental role in establishing the Company's dominant presence in the domestic Chinese Market.

Sally has an extensive background in strategic planning, business development, and risk management. She holds two gold standard designations in financial planning, including the Certified Financial Planner (CFP®) & Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC®) titles. She is also a real estate broker licensee in New York State as well as a life and health insurance licensee in numerous states. Her unique expertise in asset allocation, real estate investment, life and health insurance, and financial and tax planning allows the group of firms she leads to provide professional advice of a "family office" caliber to high net-worth individuals/families, in addition to offering general real estate and insurance services to the public. Since inception, the firms under her management grew tremendously, having engaged in large commercial real estate deals worth over \$1 billion and structured asset protection and financial plans for

numerous high net-worth families. She most recently established Kimber Health, a brand focused on the student health insurance market that has been recognized as the fastest growing agency and 2nd largest in production for United Healthcare's essential plan in 2021.

Sally has been a frequent speaker at major international financial planning and insurance conferences and has served on several advisory boards in the financial and insurance spheres. She was invited as the lead writer for the World Journal's Financial Column, has been a special columnist for Dow Jones' luxury real estate website, Mansion Global, and has also been a financial columnist for the China Business News in Shanghai. Over the past decades, she has won numerous leadership and outstanding achievement awards in Hong Kong and the United States, including a recent award by the AABDC as one of 50 outstanding Asian Americans in business. Sally received her bachelor's degree at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and master's degree at Columbia University.



Community Service Award

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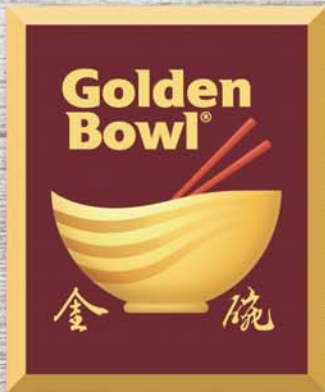
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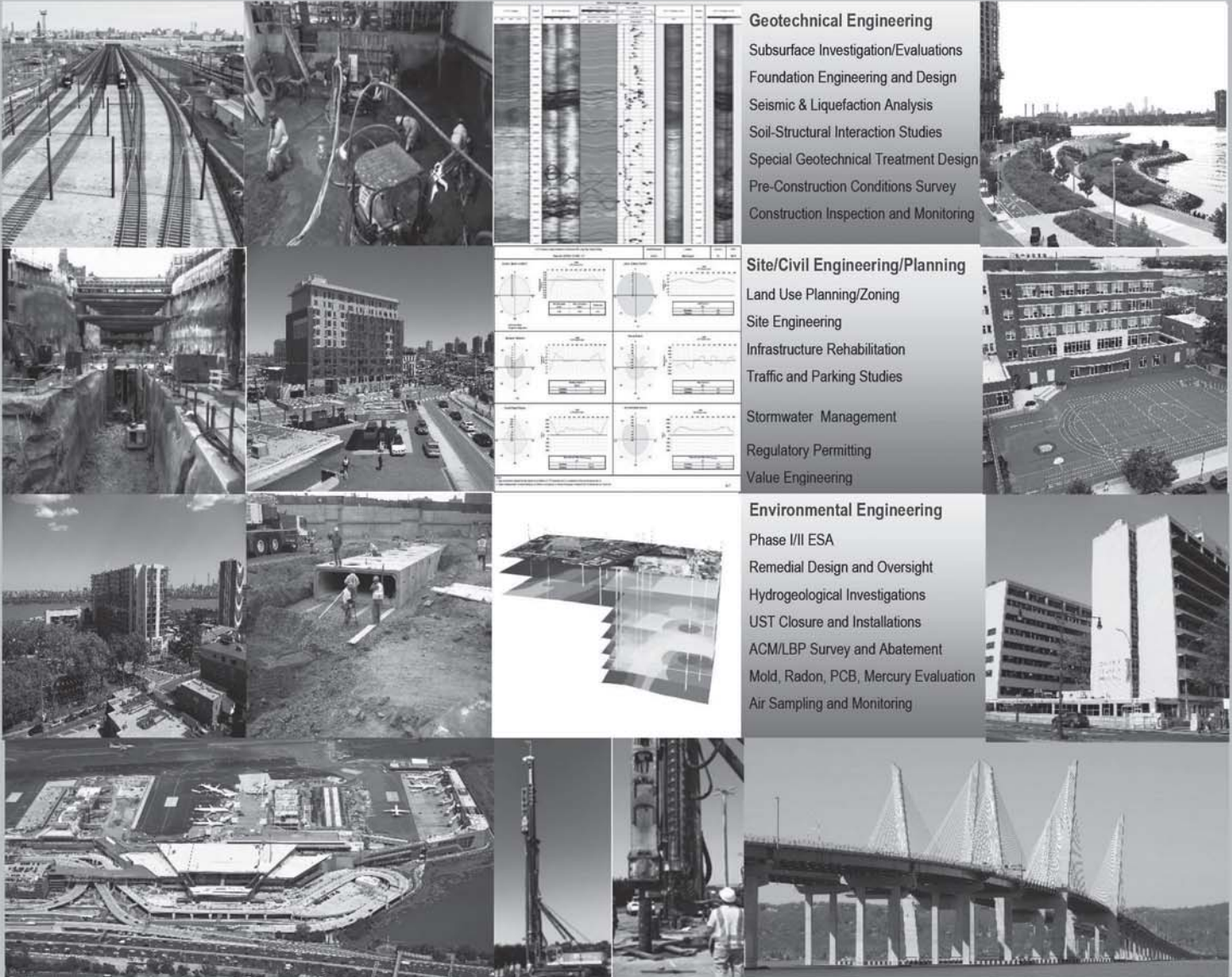


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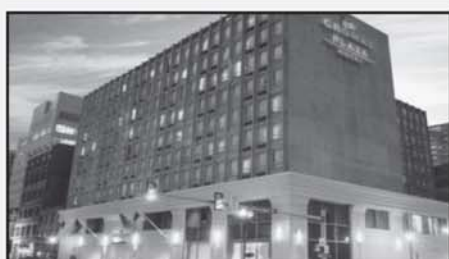
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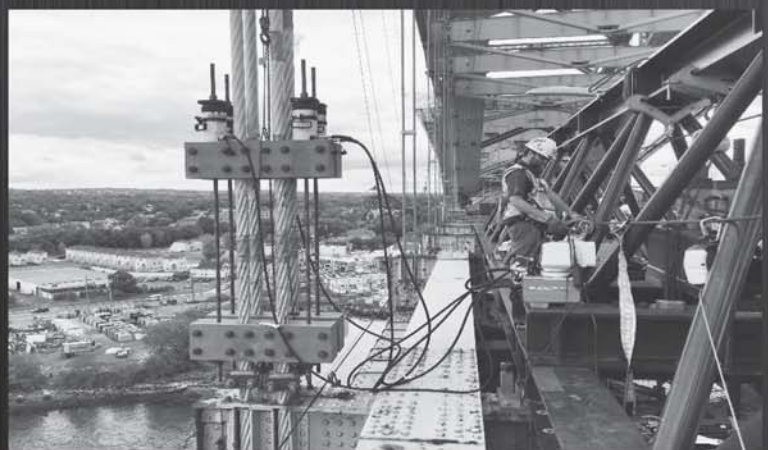
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