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Albany Capital Center Wins 2018 Facilities & Destinations Magazine's Prime Site Award

ALBANY, N.Y. – The <u>Albany Capital Center</u> (ACC) was one of 30 SMG-managed facilities to win a 2018 Prime Site Award. The Prime Site Awards are voted on by Facilities & Destinations Magazine readers made up of mostly corporate meeting planners and tradeshow managers who nominate venues based on a number of criteria. Ranging from caliber of event staff to physical aspects such as technological capabilities, venues are also judged on the size and quality of the meeting space as well as lighting, acoustics, internet access and more.

"This recognition shows the hard work and dedication put forward by our SMG staff and the attention to detail the Albany Convention Center Authority put into the building design," said Doug McClaine, general manager, Albany Capital Center. "It's an honor to be recognized for our strengths by so many industry professionals."

The ACC qualified in the new facility category, highlighting the building's up-to-date features offering event space from 1,000 to 50,000-square-feet visitors with top-notch amenities including a full catering kitchen, a wide range of audio-visual and lighting equipment as well as three levels of on-site parking.

"Facilities & Destinations Magazine has been bestowing our annual Prime Site Awards to convention centers each year since 1994," said Mike Caffin, Associate Publisher, Facilities & Destinations Magazine. "The list always reflects a well-deserved group which includes the best of the best our industry has to offer."

You can read about this year's Prime Site Award winners in the summer 2018 edition of Facilities & Destinations Magazine.

About the Albany Capital Center:

Opened in March 2017, the Albany Capital Center, operated by leading venue manager SMG, is a modern, premier event and meeting destination in New York's culturally rich Capital Region. Connected to the Times Union Center, Empire State Plaza and Renaissance Albany Hotel via enclosed walkways, the convention center hosts a diverse array of trade shows, consumer and social events, and meetings for up to 5,000 guests. It boasts 22,500 square-feet of ballroom/exhibit space, 6 meeting rooms with 9,200 square-feet of space, and 13,500 square-feet of pre-function space, state-of-the-art technology, and impeccable dining options. The ACC is conveniently located in downtown Albany and within walking distance to the New York State Capitol, business and warehouse districts, performing arts venues, museums, shops, restaurants and nightlife. For more information about the Albany Capital Center visit

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