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## A Message from the President



Mia Monroe, MTA, CSEP

It's spring again! The gala season is upon us and we have got so much on tap for you, our ISES members! We hope you had a chance to attend our fabulous February meeting featuring Sasha Souza and her Wedding Trends for 2010. If you missed it, please take a look at our photo gallery online to see what we had to offer. Sasha gave us some amazing tips on color combinations and décor ideas that will set your clients' events apart from all others. A special thanks goes out to all of our vendors that partnered with us on this event: Any Occasion Party Rentals, Elegante Entertainment, Darryl & Co., Java Pura, Impressive Events, Susie's Cakes and of course, The Houstonian (we are so in love with you!). Without you all, this sold out event would not have been incredible success that it was. Thank you for making us look so good and for giving Sasha the platform she truly deserved.

We've got more enriching events to come this spring, starting with our famous speed networking event coming up on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Hilton Americas. Please plan to attend. You never know- you may meet you next vendor, associate, business partner or client! We also have a great program coming up in April- *Hot Entertainment Trends of 2010*. This program will showcase several local entertainment companies that will take your event to the next level. New members will have the opportunity to get inside info on how to make the most out you new ISES membership immediately before our April meeting by attending a new member orientation. At that time, you find out how to get more involved, meet your board of directors, and ask any questions you need to see how ISES can work for you.

Stay tuned to the ISES website and your e-mail inboxes for dates and times!

I can't emphasize enough that you take some time in to participate in ISES. Be active! We are growing, but we can't be strong without your support. Submit an article for the newsletter, join a committee, or host a meeting! Your participation is vital to the success of this organization!

We look forward to seeing you all this spring,

*Mia Monroe, CSEP*

2009-2010 President

ISES Houston

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## Save the Date... ISES Houston Upcoming Events

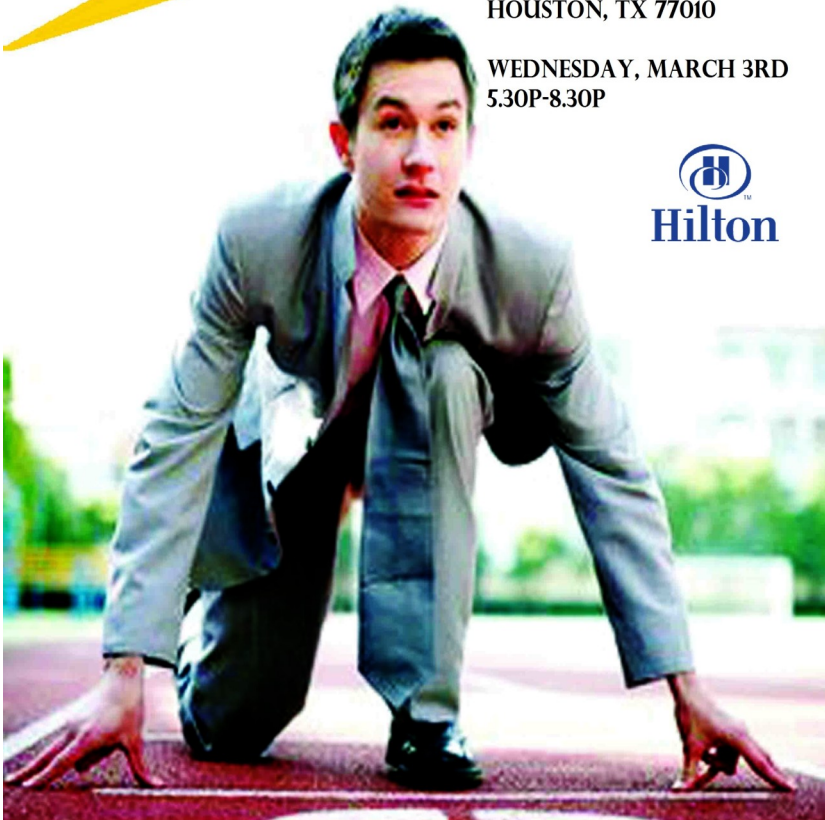
### SPEED NETWORKING

@ HILTON AMERICAS HOUSTON  
SKYLINE BAR, 24TH FLOOR  
1600 LAMAR STREET  
HOUSTON, TX 77010

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3RD  
5:30P-8:30P



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MARCH 8-10, 2010  
PARIS HOTEL LAS VEGAS



meet new people, share business cards,  
find your next client, vendor or associate!

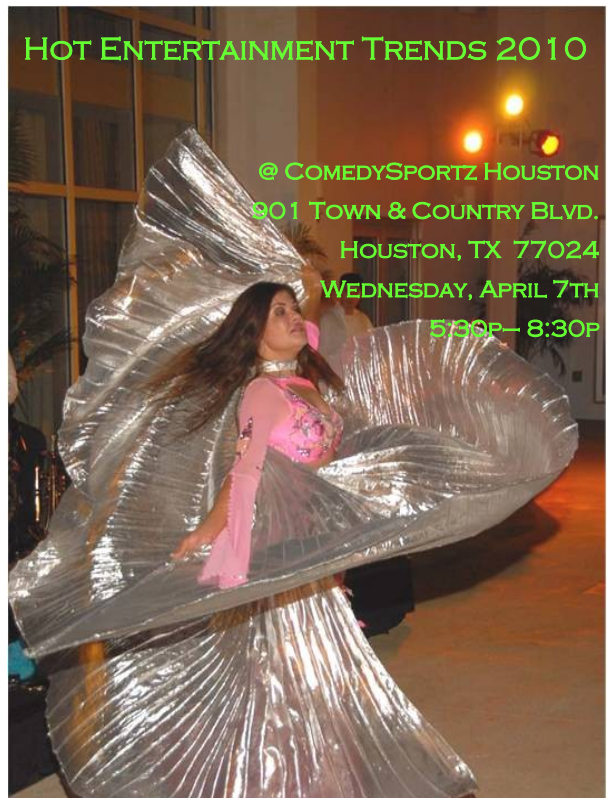
\$35 members \$45 non-member \$20 students

cocktails & hors d'oeuvres provided Valet & self parking available



### HOT ENTERTAINMENT TRENDS 2010

@ COMEDYSPORTZ HOUSTON  
901 TOWN & COUNTRY BLVD.  
HOUSTON, TX 77024  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7TH  
5:30P- 8:30P



Learn about some of the newest event entertainment trends with a great panel discussion featuring a few of Houston's best entertainment vendors! You won't want to miss this!

\$35 members \$45 non-member \$20 students Free student members

Bar & wine to + cash bar hors d'oeuvres provided Free parking available



Share your company's accomplishments, the latest trends in the industry or your cutting edge ideas. Get published in Soiree, ISES Houston's publication. Submit your articles to [communications@iseshouston.org](mailto:communications@iseshouston.org) for consideration.



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## Simply Jubilee Events receives the WeddingWire 2010 Bride's Choice Awards™



**W**eddingWire, the nation's leading wedding technology company, just announced Simply Jubilee Events has been selected to receive the **WeddingWire 2010 Bride's Choice Awards™** for Wedding Planning! This is the second consecutive year Simply Jubilee Events has been honored to receive this award.

The annual Bride's Choice Awards recognizes and celebrates excellence in quality and service within the wedding industry, as determined by recent reviews and extensive surveys from over 500,000 newlyweds.

Simply Jubilee Events is among the top five percent of all vendors in the WeddingWire community, which includes over 100,000 wedding professionals across the US and Canada. Awards were given to winners across 19 different service categories, from wedding venues to wedding photographers.

"We are excited to recognize and honor the success of the top wedding professionals within the WeddingWire Community" said Timothy Chi, WeddingWire's Chief Executive Officer. "The annual Bride's Choice Awards program has given us the unique opportunity to highlight the best wedding professionals in each region as reviewed by brides and grooms who have utilized their services in the past year."

We are happy to announce that Simply Jubilee Events is among the very best Wedding Planning firms within the WeddingWire Network, which includes WeddingWire and Martha Stewart Weddings. We would like to thank our past newlyweds for nominating us for the 2010 Bride's Choice Awards.

For more information, please visit our website today at [www.simplyjubilee.com](http://www.simplyjubilee.com).





## Last Chance to Enter 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Star Awards

Celebrating the BEST of the Texas Meetings and Events Industry

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE EXTENDED- All Entries are \$75**

### Sponsors:



If you've already entered the Crystal ICON Awards or plan to enter the ISES ESPRIT Awards, then this is an excellent opportunity for you! Excitement is in the air as ISES Dallas Chapter celebrates the 2010 Texas Star Awards at the beautiful Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek. These awards are the benchmark of achievement honoring excellence within the many disciplines of our Industry. Show off the "best of the best" of the events you produced from August 31, 2008 thru December 31, 2009 and submit your entry for the 7th Annual TEXAS STAR AWARDS!

**Call For Entries: Deadline extended to Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm.**

**Entries are \$75 per entrant. Download the Call for Entries [Click Here](#)**

For more information or questions about uploading your award submissions, please contact: Submissions Chair, Marla Watson-Werst, CSEP at [submissions@texasstarawards.com](mailto:submissions@texasstarawards.com)

**Event Registration: Sunday March 28, 2010. [Click to Register Here](#)**

For more information or questions about the Texas Star Awards, please contact: Event Chair Tamara Martin-Harris, CWC at [info@texasstarawards.com](mailto:info@texasstarawards.com)

### Hotel Information:

#### Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek

Recognized as the most celebrated hotel in Texas, Rosewood Mansion on Turtle Creek is the only Forbes Travel Guide Five-Star and AAA Five-Diamond hotel in Texas. Considered a Dallas icon by both locals and visitors alike, the Mansion retains the intimate ambience of the private residence it once was while providing the highest levels of quality and service.

The Mansion is offering a special room rate Sunday night, March 28, 2010 for Texas Star Award guests at \$199 (regularly \$599). To book this special room rate, call 214-443-4747 and identify yourself as part of the Texas Star Awards/ISES Group.

**If You Don't Enter - You Can't Win. So Come On, Send It In!**

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