

## The 2009 Disability Matters Awards Banquet & Conference

*“Adding to the Quality of Life for People with Disabilities”*



March 12, 2009, New York, NY – Springboard Consulting LLC and Work Life Matters Magazine are pleased to announce their Disabilities Matters honorees for 2009: Affiliated Computer Services Inc., Adecco USA, Cisco Systems and Kaiser Permanente in the category of Diversity, The Hartford Insurance Company and Sephora in the category of Marketing and Intel, Novartis, and Sodexo in the category of Work Life. These firms will be honored at our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Disability Matters Conference to be held on April 16, 2009 in New York City.

As the mother of two children with special needs and the founder and president of Springboard Consulting LLC, Nadine Vogel says, it is so personally gratifying to see the incredible commitment of our awardees to supporting people with disabilities and their families in so many aspects of their businesses. It illustrates their recognition and commitment to the inclusion of a community that is now considered to be the largest minority market in the world.

Those in attendance will have the opportunity to hear from each of our award winners as well the inspirational Bonnie St. John. Bonnie is an amputee, Paralympics silver medalist, Rhodes Scholar and author and will serve as the keynote speaker. Marian Vessels, from the National Network of DBTACS, ADA Information Centers, Kleo King, from United Spinal Associates ABLE to Travel program and Dr. Nancy Carr from Ramapo College of New Jersey will also serve as presenters, among many others.

We are also pleased to announce that the event sponsors include: EMC, the world's leading developer and provider of information infrastructure technologies, services and solutions; Northrop Grumman Corporation, a leading global security company servicing industries such as electronics and aerospace to ship building and government; HSBC, the world's local bank; CARE.com, a leading provider of caregivers and L'Oreal USA, the national beauty and cosmetics firm and a diversity leader.

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Thanks to our host sponsor KPMG LLP, one of our 2008 Disability Matters Award winners, we have a great venue planned for the 2009 event. As the host sponsor, KPMG is providing conference attendees access to their corporate rates at nearby hotels as well as to their discount programs for tickets to Broadway and off-Broadway shows through their membership with the National Corporation Theatre Fund.

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