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## 2009 Women of Vision

### [Sponsor a Table Today](#)

**Early Bird Pricing Extended Until February 18th**



The Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology invites you to sponsor our annual Women of Vision awards banquet! The Women of Vision Awards honor technical women for a lifetime of achievement in the areas of Leadership, Innovation, and Social Impact.

This event will inspire and engage the technical women at your company, and offer excellent networking opportunities.

We invite you to sponsor a branded table for your 10 employees, guests, or donate a table to students.

[Learn more and register today!](#)

April 30, 2009 - 6:00 - 9:30pm  
Fairmont Hotel - San Jose, CA  
Early bird pricing now available

**TOP REASONS YOU SHOULD PARTICIPATE:**

**INVEST** - You will leave this event feeling enthused and invigorated, and that is hard to come by! WOV is indeed a worthwhile investment in your future.

**LISTEN** - Learn about our amazing keynote speaker's success and how she got to her place at the top!

**NETWORK** - Enjoy the Networking Reception with executives from Cisco, Google, Lockheed Martin, NetApp, SAP, Intel, IBM, Microsoft, and other top companies!

**MOTIVATE** - The accomplishments of the award winner's are truly inspirational, and you can't help but be motivated by their acceptance speeches. Videos from last year are posted online.

**DEMONSTRATE** - Show your commitment to recruiting and retaining your company's technical women by inviting your staff and colleagues - both men and women!

Individual Tickets are also available. For more information, [visit us online](#).

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**REMINDER: Grace Hopper Celebration Call For Participation  
Deadline March 16, 2009**

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The Grace Hopper Celebration will take place from September 30-October 3, 2009 in Tucson Arizona. This year's theme "Creating Technology for Social Good" recognizes the significant role women play in defining technology used to solve social issues. The submission deadline is March 16, 2009 at <http://www.gracehopper.org/2009/participate/call-for-participation/>. This deadline will not be extended.

Recommendations to anyone who wants to participate:

- Your subject should not be something specific to your organization.
- If you have a panel - it needs to span across organizations - not 5 people from the same company discussing an issue in their company. Combining academics and industry or interdisciplinary discussions are super.
- We are encouraging submissions that promote diversity and International participation.
- A submission in line with the theme of the conference "Creating Technology for Social Good" would be ideal.

Submissions requested for:

- [Birds of a Feather \(BOFs\)](#)
- [New Investigators Technical Papers](#)
- [Panels, Workshops and Presentations](#)
- [PhD Forum](#)
- [Technical Posters](#)

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**Latina Tech Study and Video Highlight Need  
to Increase Access**

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How can the tech community successfully improve access for minorities? CAMINOS will help answer that question at its anniversary event Digital Decade for Latinas by showcasing its work over the past 10 years to help low-income Latina immigrants get better and higher-paying jobs through computer education.

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**Communications of  
the ACM Cover Story**

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Digital Decade for Latinas kicks off with the presentation of a case study Latina Immigrants and Technology in San Francisco's Mission District (1999-2009) that analyzes data from a sampling of women who have enrolled at CAMINOS.

Attendees will also be the first to preview a new public service announcement promoting tech access for Latinas and a video presentation highlighting local women who have achieved empowerment and economic growth through technology.

The evening ends with a special ceremony honoring those women and institutions that have worked to increase access to technology for minorities over the past decade. CAMINOS will honor its founder Sister Petra Chavez; Dr. Gilda Garreton, Senior Staff Engineer at Sun Microsystems and co-founder of Latinas in Computing; and Telle Whitney, CEO of Anita Borg Institute, who will deliver the night's keynote address.

Join representatives from the Bay Area's tech community, foundations, non-profits, Latino organizations and local government in San Francisco on February 19th to honor Latinas in technology. Cocktail reception begins at 6pm followed by event program and a unique Latin dinner at 7pm.

[REGISTER TODAY!](#)

### Google Anita Borg Scholarship Deadline

The following application deadline is approaching for the 2009 Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarships:

Canada: Monday, February 23, 2009

For more information or to apply online go to the Google [2009 Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship web page](#).

### Grace Hopper 2008 Evaluation Now Available On Line

Did you know?

- **88%** of those surveyed who have attended GHC in the past feel like past attendance had a positive impact on their professional advancement.
- **89%** of survey respondents agree or strongly agree that they felt inspired by the role models they saw at Grace Hopper 2008.
- **80%** of survey respondents agree or strongly agree that they intend to stay in touch with people they met at GHC 2008.

We have completed the analysis of the 2008 Grace Hopper Celebration and we invite you to read this study. This is a great resource for companies looking at sponsoring the Grace



The cover story for the Communications of the ACM this month is ["Women in Computing - Take 2"](#) authored by Anita Borg Institute Board of Trustee member Maria Klawe, CEO Telle Whitney, Director of Research Caroline Simard. This article is a sequel to a 1995 article by Maria Klawe and Nancy Leveson entitled "Women in Computing Where Are We Now?"

This original article described successful activities and offered recommendations for future programs. In this new article, The authors assess the changes that have occurred, including both positive and negative trends; and present strategies shown to be successful for the recruitment, retention, and advancement of women in computing; and explore promising new initiatives for further increasing women's participation.

### Expand Your Professional Network

Our Anita Borg Institute group on [LinkedIn](#) is a rapidly growing network of technical women, diversity-minded hiring managers, recruiters, and other supporters of our mission. Whether you are hiring, looking for a new position, or building your network, you'll find this a rich source of supportive connections. [Join](#)

Hopper Celebration.

[Download the report today.](#)

## Nominations Sought for 2009 Tapia Achievement Award

The Awards Committee of the 2009 Richard Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Conference is seeking nominations for the Richard A. Tapia Achievement Award for Scientific Scholarship, Civic Science, and Diversifying Computing.

The award will be presented at the 2009 Tapia Conference, to be held April 1-4, 2009 at the Portland, Oregon Marriott Downtown Waterfront. The Tapia award recognizes an individual with outstanding achievements in scientific scholarship, a strong civic presence within the scientific community, and a dedication to the attainment of true ethnic diversity in computing and related disciplines. The ideal recipient will be devoted to the principle of equity in both theory and practice, and will have demonstrated leadership in applying creative solutions to the difficult social, cultural, technical and political problems of diversifying computing.

Nominations are due February 23, 2009. For more information go to the [Tapia Website](#).

## GHC Scholars Move to Facebook

The GHC Scholars group is a place for current and past Grace Hopper Celebration scholarship recipients to stay connected. The GHC Scholars email list has been replaced by a new Facebook group. Anyone who previously received a GHC Scholarship is invited to join the [GHC Scholars group](#) on Facebook. The GHC Scholars mailman listserv is no longer in service. And if you are interested in this year's Grace Hopper Celebration, you are also invited to join the [Grace Hopper 2009 group](#) on Facebook.

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## Check Out This New Article by Maria Klawe

Check out this new article "[Create Belonging](#)" by Maria Klawe, President of Harvey Mudd College and a member of the Anita Borg Institute Board of Trustees at [womenworking.com](#).

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