

**NAMIC Announces Winners of the 2012 Next Generation Leaders Awards**  
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**ESPN And Time Warner Cable Executives Awarded Top Honors**

NEW YORK, April 10, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- The **National Association for Multi-ethnicity in Communications (NAMIC)** today announced winners of the **2012 Next Generation Leaders Awards**. This year's recipients of the distinguished award are **Rosalyn Durant**, vice president, ESPN and ESPNHS, ESPN; **Sree Kotay**, senior vice president, chief software architect, Comcast Corporation; **Fernando Laguarda**, vice president, External Affairs and Policy Counselor, Time Warner Cable; and **Pawan Mehra**, co-founder and executive vice president, Ameredia, Inc. The Next Generation Leaders Awards will be presented at the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast scheduled for Wednesday, May 23, 2012, from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (EDT) at the Westin Boston Waterfront in Boston, Massachusetts.

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Selected by NAMIC, the Next Generation Leaders Awards recognize emerging executives of color – business leaders demonstrating exceptional managerial acumen while embracing NAMIC's mission to educate, advocate and empower for diversity and inclusion in the communications industry. Presented in partnership with *Multichannel News*, awards are presented in four categories: Cable Programmer, Cable MSO, Technology Company/Discipline and Creative Discipline. Executives of color age 45 and under were eligible for nomination. Durant (Programmer), Kotay (Tech Company/Discipline), Laguarda (MSO), and Mehra (Creative Discipline) were selected from the esteemed nominees. In addition to the top honorees, a group of NAMIC Luminaries will also be recognized. Since the inception of the award in 2006, NAMIC has recognized 24 Next Generation Leaders and 51 Luminaries.

**Irene Esteves**, executive vice president and chief financial officer, Time Warner Cable, this year's honorary chair of the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast commented: "I look forward to celebrating the honorees announced today. I applaud each of them for their professional achievements and for what they have done to foster multi-ethnic diversity and inclusion in our industry."

In addition to honoring Durant, Kotay, Laguarda and Mehra, the following executives were selected as NAMIC Luminaries: **Michelle Bailey**, vice president, Corporate Market Research, BET Networks; **Berto Guzman**, vice president, Affiliate Sales & Marketing, nuvoTV; **Aljit Joy**, senior vice president, Strategy & Product Development, Comcast Corporation; **Superna Kalle**, senior vice president, Networks and general manager, Sony Movie Channel, Sony Pictures Television; **Erika Kennair**, vice president, Scripted Development, Syfy/NBCUniversal; **Rodrigo Lopez**, regional vice president, Mountain Region, Comcast Corporation; **Guhan Selvaretnam**, senior vice president, Product, Content & Operations, Digital Media, Discovery Communications; **Tina Shah**, assistant general counsel, Turner Broadcasting System, Inc., **Emory Walton**, vice president, Distribution Field Sales, A+E Networks; **Crystal Washington**, vice president, External Relations, Diversity & Inclusion, Scripps Networks Interactive; **Cheryl Wingate**, vice president, Talent Acquisition, Time Warner Cable's East Region; and **Ninoska Zucconi**, vice president, Marketing Services, Distribution Sales & Marketing, Univision Communications Inc.

For more information about the Next Generation Leaders Awards and the NAMIC Annual Awards Breakfast including questions regarding sponsorship and ticket/table purchases, contact Sandra Girado, director of Meetings and Events, at NAMIC National, 212-594-5985. Log onto <http://namic.com> to access online registration.

**ABOUT NAMIC**

NAMIC (National Association for Multi-ethnicity in Communications) is the premier organization focusing on multi-ethnic diversity in the communications industry. Founded in 1980 as a non-profit trade association, today NAMIC comprises over 2,600 professionals belonging to a network of 16 chapters nationwide. Through initiatives that focus on education, advocacy and empowerment, NAMIC champions equity and inclusion in the workforce, with special attention given to ensuring that the leadership cadres of our nation's communications industry giants reflect the multi-ethnic richness of the populations they serve. For more

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