



2023 OUTSTANDING SECTION / BRANCH AWARD NOMINATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

- An event/activity may only be used once and cannot be repeated throughout the application. Please select the most appropriate category. There are potential negative points for an event/activity that is repeated.
- Sections should NOT include activities completed by their Branches and Branches should NOT include activities completed by their Section.
- Applications are limited to 12 pages plus a copy of one newsletter.
- Point totals are listed under each category for a maximum of 125 points.
- Only list activities from October 1 – September 30 which can be either virtual or in-person.
- Please e-mail an electronic PDF file to Nancy Berson at ASCE: nberson@asce.org by **October 30, 2023**.

BASIC INFORMATION

Award Classification (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Large Section/Branch (> 4000 members) <input type="checkbox"/> Large Section/Branch (1501-4000 members) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Medium Section/Branch (501-1500 members) <input type="checkbox"/> Small Section/Branch (< 501 members)
Section/Branch Nominee:	ASCE Miami-Dade Branch
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NOMINATION QUESTIONS/SCORING

125 points maximum

A. COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERS (15 Points Maximum)

- **Newsletter** (1 point per issue, 5 points maximum):

Please include one electronic newsletter with the Award nomination package or include a link to an active website. The links must be active to receive points for this section. Points will be given for the number of newsletters published either on the website, e-mailed to members or on social media.

Number of Newsletters Published Annually:	Two newsletters were published between October 1, 2023 and September 30, 2023 for our branch. In addition, about 18 newsletters were released by our Branch's YMG. Some of our institutes also had some newsletters released during this time period.
Newsletter Links (if available):	See attached hard copy.

- **Website** (5 points maximum):

Verify that all links are active prior to submission.

Website Link:	The link to our website is: https://www.miamidade-asce.org/
Discuss the content included on your website:	Our website offers a comprehensive overview of our organization, encompassing details about our branch's vision, mission, goals, history, board of directors, and institute/committee members. It also features information about job openings, scholarship availability, and application procedures. Additionally, our website has a dedicated section for our Younger Member Group (YMG) and provides insights into all our institutes. Moreover, visitors have the opportunity to join our mailing list and access links to our social media channels for further engagement.

- **Social Media Tools** (5 points maximum):

Provide screenshots in a separate document how you communicate with members on social media. The judges may ask you to give them access to your group/page to review if they are not public.

Discuss all active Social Media platforms and their title used to communicate with your Section/Branch	<p>Our branch utilizes the following social media platforms to connect with our members, each with its respective title:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Facebook: ASCE Miami-Dade Branch • Instagram: ASCE Miami-Dade Branch (@ascemiamidade) • LinkedIn: ASCE Miami-Dade Branch • Twitter: ASCE Miami-Dade Branch (@ascemiamidade) <p>For screenshots of our social media platforms, please refer to the end of the report.</p>
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B. PROFESSIONAL / LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES, AWARDS / RECOGNITION, SCHOLARSHIPS AND MENTORING (20 Points Maximum)

- **Professional / Leadership (Non-Technical) Activities** (5 points maximum):

Professional / Leadership (Non-Technical) Committee Meetings (1 point each, 2 points max)

Professional Committee:	Number of Meetings:	Presentation Topic(s):
Miami Dade Branch	12	Monthly Board of Director meetings where all upcoming events and issues are discussed.
Miami Dade Branch	2	Mid-Strategic Planning Meeting and Annual Strategic Planning Meeting were held to discuss our branch's success and improvement needs.
Field Day Committee	12	Meetings to plan one of our largest annual events of the year, Field Day, which is our main scholarship fundraiser.
Miami-Dade YMG Meetings	15	Meetings between YMG Board members to plan for events
Miami-Dade Branch Annual Awards and Installation Dinner Team	11	Meetings to plan our annual event, prepare script, prepare presentation, and coordinate day-of event.

Professional / Leadership (Non-Technical) Seminars (1 point each, 3 points max)

Date:	Approx. Attendees:	Presentation Topics / Describe Seminar:
(ie. Panel Discussion, Ethics Seminar)		

- Awards/Recognition (1 point each, 5 points maximum):

Awards Given by the Section/Branch

Name of Award:	Recipient:	Describe:
Student of the Year Award	Julia Batista	This award honors an outstanding civil engineering student as selected by the Student Activities Committee.
Young Engineer of the Year	Jessica Garcia, EI	This award honors a younger member engineer (35 years and younger) who, through their activities and endeavors, has attained significant professional achievement to society and the engineering profession.
Engineer of the Year	Roxana Matamoros, PE	This award honors an engineer who through their activities and endeavors has attained significant professional achievement to society and the engineering profession.
Government Employee of the Year	Carlos Acosta, PE, PMP	This award honors a government engineer who through their activities and endeavors has attained significant professional achievement to society and the engineering profession.
Sustainable Project of the Year	SR A1A / Indian Creek from 25 Street to 41 Street Flood Mitigation Project	This award honors a project with engineering efforts in innovative design or construction methods improving economic, social and environmental sustainability, and developments in sustainability which may be evidenced in part by Envision rating and/or Institute.

Society Awards Received by the Section / Branch or its members

Name of Award:	Recipient:	Describe:
Martin S. Kapp Foundation Engineering Award	Matthew Meyer, PE, D.GE, M.ASCE	ASCE honored Matthew Meyer, PE, D.GE, M.ASCE with this award for outstanding contributions in deep foundations and retaining structures, particularly his innovative approaches to deep foundations for tall building in complicated geologic conditions.
T&DI Outstanding	Jessica Garcia,	This award recognizes young engineers whose

Younger Member Award	EI, RSP	contributions have shown advancement of the profession, technical competence, high character and integrity, public service, and leadership in the development of young engineer's attitudes towards the profession.
Branch of the Year Award	ASCE Miami-Dade Branch	The ASCE Florida Section honored the Miami-Dade Branch with this award during the Florida Annual Conference. This award recognizes outstanding branches for their remarkable achievements and positive impact on the local engineering community and Student Chapters.
Peers Group Award	ASCE Younger Member Group	Region 5 awarded the ASCE MD YMG as a co-winner of the Peers Group Award by the Eastern Regional Younger Member Council (ERYMC) at their awards banquet in Charlotte, NC. This award promotes excellence among the Younger Member Groups of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

- Scholarships (5 points maximum):

Scholarships to High School Students (1 point each)

Name of Scholarship:	Amount of Scholarship:	Describe:
Bridge Competition Awards	\$1,500.00	Our Branch awarded the bridge competition top winners a varying amount of Amazon gift cards. In total, \$1,500.00 was awarded. Winners were divided into two divisions, for middle and high schoolers.
Spring 2023 High School Scholarship Program	\$1,000.00	Our Branch introduced a new scholarship opportunity aimed at high school students. We developed a fresh application process and set specific eligibility criteria. Regrettably, we did not receive any applications.

Scholarships to College Students (1 point each)

Name of Scholarship:	Amount of Scholarship:	Describe:
Spring 2023 Scholarship #1	\$2,000.00	Scholarship awarded to Florida International University student, Yasmine Al Moghrabi.
Spring 2023 Scholarship #2	\$2,000.00	Scholarship awarded to Florida International University student, Vincent Roustit.
Spring 2023 Scholarship #3	\$2,000.00	Scholarship awarded to Florida International University student, Julia Batista.
ASCE Florida Annual Conference Funding	\$1,200.00	Provided three college winners from the Florida Section travel, room, and food funding to attend the ASCE Florida Annual Conference to receive their award.
Student Symposium Funding	\$2,500.00	Our Branch awarded the ASCE Student Chapter \$2,500.00 to help pay for expenses to attend the Student Symposium.

- Mentoring Activities of ASCE Members (5 points maximum):

Date:	Approx. Attendees:	Describe:
December 8, 2022	69	Event #1 - Raise the Bar: YMG hosted the 5th Annual Raise the Bar intended for industry giants to share their experience and inspire young engineers on how they can "raise the bar" in their careers.
May 11,	54	Event #2 - Skill Up With YMG - Global Consulting:

2023		Speakers shared their experiences in the international consulting world. They also shared how to succeed with clients in different regions.
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C. TECHNICAL COMMITTEES / INSTITUTE CHAPTERS AND ACTIVITIES (15 Points Maximum)

Section/Branch Technical Committees or Institute Chapters (minimum of 2 technical or virtual meetings per year; 1 point each, 5 points max)

Technical Committee:	Number of Meetings:	Presentation Topic(s):
Miami-Dade Branch T&DI	5	Meetings to discuss T&DI events and plan for the organization.
MRLC East 2024 Committee	20	Meetings to prepare and plan for ASCE's MRLC in 2024.
SEI and YMG	18	SEI and YMG hosted a site visit to the Miami River Tower with the Engineer on Record leading the tour and providing insight on the design and construction. Attendees were able to ride a boon to the top of the tower.
UESI	10	City of North Miami Beach Norwood Water Treatment Plant - Water treatment plant visitors were introduced to the City's water treatment processes which includes lime softening, nanofiltration and reverse osmosis.
UESI	15	UESI Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department Water Treatment Plant Site Visit - On June 22, 2023, the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch hosted a site visit to the largest potable water production facility while guests enjoyed the tour of the plant and a presentation of the plant's functions which includes drinking water testing and sampling and distribution system operation.

Section/Branch Technical Seminars / Courses with PDHs (1 point each, 5 points max)

Date:	Approx. Attendees:	Describe:
March 14, 2023	25	Event #1: Groundwater Conditions, Modeling, and Monitoring - On March 15, 2023, the Environmental and Water Resources Institute provided a presentation on groundwater monitoring and modeling, offering attendees one PDH credit. In addition, food, drinks, and networking opportunities were also available.
March 22, 2023	26	Event #2: Pressure Balance Tunnel Construction in Urban Environments - Dr. Mooney's presentation summarized tunnel boring machine technology used to construct tunnels ranging from 10-60ft in diameter in urban environments, offering one PDH credit to attendees.
March 23, 2023	31	Event #3: CEI Masterplanning - Manuel Sanchez spoke on the design process of large master planning projects and his experience working with world class experts One PDH credit was available to attendees.
March 25, 2023	100	Event #4: Tri-County Workshop - This past year we hosted a bi-annual workshop where the Miami-Dade, Broward and West Palm branches put together local relevant seminars on water resources, roadway and water/wastewater topics. Up to five

		PDH credits were available.
June 22, 2023	65	Event #5: 5th Annual ASCE Miami-Dade T&DI Networking Social - This event included a presentation from the Chief Planning Officer of the Miami-Dade Department of Transportation and Public Works, Lisa Colmenares, AICP. This event offered attendees one PDH credit.

Other Technical / Educational Activities and Benefits for Section / Branch Members (1 point each, 5 points max)

Describe other technical / educational activities and benefits for Section / Branch members:	<p>Event #1: Achieving Class B Biosolids Through Anaerobic Digestion - On October 12, 2022 a joint webinar hosted with the Florida Professional Chapter of Engineers Without Borders (EWB-FL). A portion of the proceeds went to the EWB-FL Guatemala Water Supply Project.</p> <p>Event #2: UESI & EWRI Drainage Design Considerations - On November 10, 2022 presenters Nelson Mojarena, PE and Carlos Formoso, PE discussed drainage design considerations for different land development and roadway projects.</p> <p>Event #3: Resiliency Through Stormwater Master Planning- On August 10, 2023 this networking event featured a happy hour and technical seminar about resiliency through stormwater master planning by Alex Vazquez, PE, CFM, BCC Engineering's Water Resources Director.</p> <p>Event #4: Geo-Institute Engineering Talks and Drinks - On December 1, 2022 a technical event with local consultants and contractors in which Rey Villa, PE lead a professional discussion. The event also featured networking opportunities, food, and drinks.</p> <p>Event #5: UESI Annual CIP Event - On April 6, 2023 NMB's Water Director, Andrea Suarez, and Deputy Director Sam Zamacona, discussed the current & upcoming Capital Improvements Projects. Networking, appetizers, and drinks were provided.</p>
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D. MEMBERSHIP (10 Points Maximum)

Describe efforts to involve Student Members in Section/Branch Activities (2 points):	Students from the FIU Student Chapter and the UM Student Chapter are invited and usually attend all branch meetings held monthly. Also in conjunction with our YMG there are 2 events a year for resume workshops. The branch also participates in the student chapter's career fair, which is held twice a year for each school. Additionally, we provide discounted student tickets to our events and for our bigger, costlier events we offer limited free entrances and volunteer opportunities. We collaborate closely with our students and support each other in our events.
Describe Member recruitment programs (2 points):	YMG Presentation at FIU: Introducing ASCE - On November 4, 2022 members from the YMG team presented to an undergraduate civil engineering class at Florida International University about ASCE and the benefits of joining the group.
Describe Member retention programs (2 points):	ASCE Miami Dade Branch's UESI Member Appreciation Social Event - On July 27, 2023 our local UESI Chapter hosted the last social event with the current 2022-2023 board! It was a fun networking event with appetizers and drinks with other engineers in the area. It was tailored to thank all of the members

	of ASCE, and specifically UESI for their support over the past year.
Describe any recognition programs for employers supporting ASCE (2 points):	Employers supporting ASCE get various recognition for their contributions. For most of the events we hold, there are sponsorship opportunities which clearly outline what their recognition will be such as logos on banners & flyers, verbal appreciation, designated / reserved seating areas, limited entry for company representatives, etc. Many of these banners & flyers are posted on our social media outlets which provide employers additional recognition. In addition, our branch awarded an Employer of the Year award at our 47th Annual Awards and Installation Dinner. At this event, EXP was recognized at our event and presented with a commemorative plaque.
Describe other Membership Activities / Events (2 points):	Event #1: Meet the Society President-Elect Candidates - On March 8, 2023 our Branch hosted the first forum event providing a platform for the president-elect candidates from ASCE Society, Dr. Feniosky Pena-Mora and Dr. Brett C. Phillips to reach the local members. Attendees were able to network and listen to the candidates speak and ask questions, ahead of the election. Event #2: Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) Industry Forum - On November 30, 2022 the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch in conjunction with FES sponsored this event by providing coffee and snacks for attendees. The objective of this event was to present Miami-Dade County's DTPW's multi-billion-dollar Capital Improvement Program and engage industry partners that can assist the Department in executing a wide spectrum of transit, roadway, and other transportation projects. This event provided ASCE a table in which our branch was able to promote membership to those in attendance. In addition, T&DI had a banner and also provided information to attendees since this institute closely aligns with the line of work from DTPW and the consultants and attendees present.

E. PUBLIC OUTREACH ACTIVITIES (10 Points Maximum)

Describe outreach activities with elementary, middle, or high schools (1 point each, 5 points max):	Event #1: Coral Reef Senior High Mock Interviews - On April 13, 2023 the Miami-Dade Branch sponsored breakfast and lunch and provided several volunteers to conduct mock interviews to over 100 high school students. During the interview participants received feedback to help them prepare to succeed at future job interviews. Event #2: Construction Days - On October 26 and 27, 2022 the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch volunteered at Construction Days, a program to introduce high school students to career opportunities available in the construction / engineering industry in a hands-on environment. Activities included interactive experiences such as operating machinery. This event was hosted by partner agencies including FDOT, American Council of Engineering Companies of Florida, Florida Transportation Builders Association, and the FHWA. Event #3: District SECME Festival & Olympiad - On February 4, 2023 the YMG participated as judges at the
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	<p>annual Miami-Dade SECME & STEM Olympiad. Competitions consisted of the Water Bottle Rocket, Egg Drop Challenge, Brain Bowl, Bridge Building and more.</p> <p>Event #4: ASCE Broward Branch Engineer for a Day Event - This event promoted Civil Engineering as a career to high school students in Broward County. The Miami-Dade Branch Outreach Co-chair volunteered as a chaperone to go with the students to the City of Sunrise Utilities SW Water Treatment Plant.</p> <p>Event #5: FES Mathcounts - On February 17, 2023 the ASCE Miami Dade Branch Outreach co-chair, Roxana Matamoros, represented our branch as a judge, proctor and scorer for the Miami-Dade schools' competition held at Miami Dade College Kendall Campus Gym.</p>
Describe outreach activities via media outlets (1 point each, 3 points max):	<i>(examples: newspaper, magazine, radio, TV, internet, billboards)</i>
Describe other public outreach or educational activities (1 point each, 2 points max):	ASCE Florida Section Student Development Conference - On January 27, 2023 the Miami-Dade Branch representatives, including Membership Chair, Fiorella Asturrizaga, and Director, Carlos Tijerino volunteered at the inaugural Student Development Conference which allowed students an opportunity to learn about life of a civil engineer after school.

F.COLLEGE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES (20 Points Maximum for entire section) – CHOOSE #1 or #2.

1. Section/Branch has an ASCE Student Chapter(s)

List each Student Chapter and at least one current Practitioner Advisor for each school. Note if you have less than 5 schools in your Section/Branch. (2 points each if five schools or more, 10 points maximum).	<p>Florida International University ASCE Student Chapter with Ki-Ana Moody as the Student Relations Chair and the University of Miami ASCE Student Chapter with Matthew Uva as the Student Relations Chair.</p>
Describe Student Interaction Activities between each ASCE Student Chapters and the Section/Branch (2 points each, 10 points max):	<p>Event #1 - ASCE - FIU Industry Meet and Greet - On Thursday, November 17, 2022, the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch attended and had a table at FIU ASCE's Industry Meet and Greet to speak with students and promote ASCE membership after graduation. The event was very successful with many students showing interest in our organization!</p> <p>Event #2 - ASCE FIU Chapter Induction Ceremony - On February 16, 2023 the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch president, Jennifer Borges, was invited to be a guest speaker at the ASCE FIU Chapter at their Induction Ceremony where new members were welcomed and celebrated. Jennifer Borges presented on her time as a student at FIU, her career path since graduating, and lessons learned in her career. She also discussed the importance of being an active member of organizations such as ASCE, which have played a critical role in her success.</p> <p>Event #3: Second Annual After Graduation Event - On April</p>

	<p>15, 2023 our Branch hosted an event aimed to aid college students and recent graduates in their transition to life after college and into the professional world. This event was hosted at the FIU Main Campus.</p> <p>Event #4: YMG STEM Resume & Interview Workshop - YMG hosted this event in collaboration with over 13 FIU clubs of all engineering disciplines. This event was sponsored by Kimley Horn who provided their engineers to assist the students in attendance.</p> <p>Event #5: FIU Alumni Reunion - On September 28, 2023 ASCE FIU hosted an alumni reunion to reconnect and network. It was a great event in which old classmates were reunited and FIU students attended and had the opportunity to network with many professionals.</p>
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2. Section/Branch does not have any ASCE Student Chapter(s)

Describe outreach activities with college students other than those involved with ASCE (5 points each, 20 points max):	N/A
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G. COMMUNITY SERVICE, PUBLIC SERVICE, HISTORY & HERITAGE, SUSTAINABILITY, AND GOVERNMENT RELATIONS (10 Points Maximum)

NOTE: ASCE also awards a History and Heritage Award. If you have such activities and want to be considered for that award, describe those activities here and submit a copy of this application directly to Jennifer Lawrence at jlawrence@asce.org.

Describe public service projects (2 points):	<p>ASCE/FES/AWWA/FWEA/CAACE Joint Holiday Dinner and Toy Drive for Toys for Tots - On December 7, 2023 our ASCE Miami-Dade Branch along with other organizations hosted a holiday dinner and toy drive. The event included live music, food, drinks, and networking opportunities. During this event, attendees were required to bring unwrapped toys to benefit the Toys for Tots program in Miami. This was a very successful event with over 100 attendees and numerous toys collected.</p>
Describe History and Heritage Activities (2 points):	<i>(examples: landmark nominations, publications, exhibits)</i>
Describe Government Relations activities (2 points):	<p>Event #1: ASCE DC Fly-In - From March 1-3, 2023 the branch's government relations co-chairs and three other ASCE members attended the ASCE Fly-In in Washington, DC. The conference had several presentations about important discussion topics and about techniques on storytelling in preparation for the congressional visits. The congressional visits were at the capitol where attendees met with Representatives and Senators to discuss IIJA budget allocation, FAA reauthorization, Dam Safety Program, and the importance of project resiliency.</p> <p>Event #2: FES PE Legislative Day - On March 21-22, 2023 our Miami-Dade Branch attended the conference which initiated with networking events and proceeded on the second day with discussion about important topics to the engineering community and a visit to the capitol to meet with the legislatives to advocate for transportation, water and energy infrastructure, condominium</p>

	inspection program, sovereign immunity, and university procurement of design professionals. Our branch was represented by Erik Alcantara, PE, Vice President, Nicholas Karpathy, PE, Treasurer and Vanessa Benzecry, PE, Government Relations Co-Chair.
Describe Sustainability Seminars held by the Section/Branch promoting the advancement of the principles of sustainable development (2 points):	UESI ASCE Envision Webinar - The ASCE Miami-Dade Branch hosted a presentation by Anthony Kane introducing the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure's Envision accreditation process by improving planning, design, and delivery of civil infrastructure.
Describe Community Service events (1 point each, 2 points max):	<p>Event #1: Beach Cleanup - On November 19, 2022 ASCE Miami-Dade Branch YMG in collaboration with the Surfrider Foundation FIU Club hosted a beach cleanup. It consisted of cleaning up debris and litter along the Coconut Grove coastlines to improve the ecosystem.</p> <p>Event #2: Food Drive at Holy Temple Church - On June 24, 2023 Branch and YMG members volunteered to package and distribute food to families in need in the community.</p>

H. DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (15 Points Maximum)

ASCE fosters a fully inclusive culture that celebrates individual uniqueness, engenders a sense of belonging, and promotes equitable opportunity for all people to participate as members and stakeholders of the civil engineering community. ASCE's Committee on "Members of Society Advancing an Inclusive Culture" reviews this section to select Outstanding Section/Branches for their efforts in developing and implementing programs that promote an equitable and inclusive climate in the profession.

<u>Inclusive Events</u> - What best practices has your Section/Branch implemented to ensure meetings/events are equitable and inclusive for all prospective participants? (1 point each, 5 points max):	Our Branch has adopted several best practices to promote equity and inclusivity in our meetings and events. We offer a diverse range of options, including both in-person and virtual events. All our meetings are accessible in both formats. We schedule our meetings after standard working hours to accommodate everyone without work conflicts. Furthermore, our events are distributed throughout different times, including after-work events, weekday events during lunchtime, and even weekend events. This variety ensures that members can participate regardless of their schedules and preferences.
<u>Leadership & Engagement</u> - In what ways has the Section/Branch/Group demonstrated a commitment to DEI? (1 point each, 5 points max):	<p>Event #1: Youth Summit and Resource Fair - On May 20, 2023 the Miami-Dade Branch was a Friend Sponsor (\$500.00) and our Outreach Committee Chairs volunteered for the 2023 Youth Summit & Resource Fair hosted at FIU College of Law. At this event over 120 disadvantaged kids across Miami-Dade County were brought together for a day of empowerment and learning with a series of breakout sessions.</p> <p>Event #2: Yoga on the Shore - On January 28, 2023 the YMG hosted this event in collaboration with Habitat for Humanity and Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS). The event was held on the beach and guided by a team of yoga instructors. The yoga class was followed by sound bath relaxation.</p>

<p><u>Inclusive Communications and Training</u> - In what ways does your Section/Branch ensure that communications with and about members and partners are inclusive and asset-based and discuss how you Section/Branch supports DEI related training and programs? (1 point each, 5 points max):</p>	<p>For inclusivity purposes, this year our ASCE Miami-Dade Branch provided paper copies of the ASCE Annual Awards and Installation Dinner Program. In addition, our communications are accessible to students through our social media channels and during our monthly meetings. Lastly, we provide event opportunities that are virtual for our members.</p>
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I. ADDITIONAL SECTION / BRANCH ACTIVITIES (10 Points Maximum)

Describe any other non-standard activities that are not covered under other sections of the nomination form that your Section or Branch has undertaken to promote or advance the Civil Engineering profession to either your members or the public. Note that Sections applying for the award should not include their Branch activities and vice versa for Branches. These can include other Community Service projects, hosting of Regional meetings, fundraising, mentoring, and other best practices. Describe the activity and give dates, locations and number in attendance. Also describe any activities relative to the creation of a Section / Branch strategic plan and/or efforts to support the Society’s Strategic Initiatives (ie. sustainability efforts). These activities may also be eligible for the Leader Training Committee Best Practices Manual. A maximum of two (2) points will be given for each of up to five (5) non-standard activities.

Type of Activity/Event/Initiative:	Date (if applicable):	Describe:
Networking Activity	October 20, 2022	Jazz It Up! Networking Thursday - This event allowed attendees to network with fellow ASCE members while enjoying live jazz music. Overall, there were 92 individuals in attendance and drinks and tacos were provided to attendees.
Networking Activity and Collaboration with Diverse / Underrepresented Groups	May 2, 2023	Transportation Joint Social - The ASCE Miami-Dade T&DI, the SFITE Section, and the South Florida WTS Chapter joined for an evening of networking with colleagues and industry leaders providing over 90 attendees with food and drinks.
Field Day - Scholarship Fundraiser	February 11, 2023	ASCE Miami-Dade Branch Field Day - The ASCE Miami-Dade Branch held their annual Field Day scholarship fundraising event, this year being the largest one yet with close to 400 attendees and 21 sponsors. Field day – World Cup Edition was a great success and also hosted both of the 2024 ASCE National President-Elect Nominees, Mr. Brett Phillips and Mr. Feniosky A. Peña-Mora. We were also able to recognize three university scholarship recipients at this successful event.
47th Annual Awards and Installation Dinner	August 25, 2023	47th Annual Awards and Installation Dinner - The Miami-Dade Branch hosted its 47th Annual signature event of the year. At this event, the efforts and accomplishments of our award winners, scholarship recipients, life members, institute and committee charrs, as well as the board of directors was recognized. The upcoming board and chairs were also installed. The event featured a networking hour with a saxophonist, a sit-down dinner, a photobooth, dancing, and special guest, Dr. Feniosky Pena-Mora.

FDOT Career Fair	February 23, 2023	FDOT Career Fair - The ASCE Miami-Dade Branch had a table at the Career Fair event hosted in the FDOT District 6 Auditorium, to provide students information on our organization and the benefits of joining as both a student and after graduation.
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Quarterly Newsletter

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10th Annual Field Day
Scholarship Fundraiser at
Zoo Miami - World Cup
Edition





The ASCE Miami-Dade Branch held their annual Field Day event on Saturday, February 11, 2023.

The Field Day event of this year broke all previous records, with more than 400 attendees and 21 sponsors. The World Cup edition of Field Day was a tremendous triumph, and this was possible due to the efforts of Valerie Coloma, the Field Day Chair, and the Field Day Committee.

We also had the opportunity to hear both of the 2024 ASCE National President-Elect Nominees speak at our event.

Thank you both Dr. Brett Phillips, PE and Mr. Feniosky A. Peña-Mora, PE for taking the time to promote the organization and be a part of one of our main events.





Congratulations to the following teams for ranking from Champions to 4th place: Keith, Ardurra, Langan, and HBC, consecutively. Not only was this a great accomplishment for these companies, but also for both undergraduate and graduate students who received scholarships due to their feats in their academic studies. On behalf of the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch, we thank everyone who showed up, participated, and helped make this event a huge success.



Scholarship Recipients:

The scholarship winners of this year are as follows: Julia Batista, Yasmine Al Moghrabi and Vincent Roustit; all students from Florida International University. Students from our local universities are continuously making us proud and have been involved in our Branch events while also volunteering at our Field Day to reach a common goal: expand the Miami-Dade Branch and our local civil engineering community.



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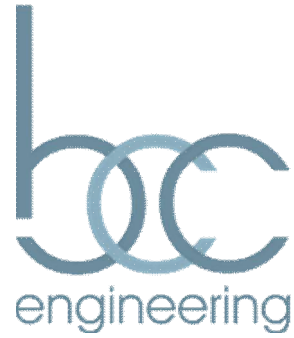
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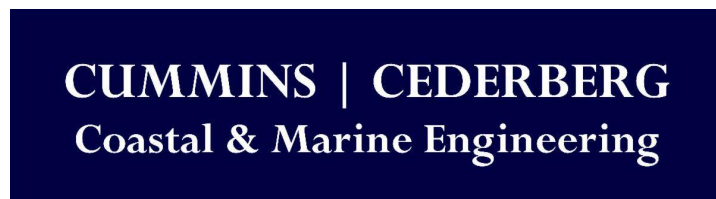
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Multi Region Leadership Conference



On Friday and Saturday, January 20 and 21, 2023, some of our ASCE members attended the MRLC in Charlotte, North Carolina.

It included the workshop for Section, Branch, and Institute Leaders (WSBL), Eastern Regional Younger Member Council (ERYMC), and the Workshop for Student Chapter Leaders (WSCL). The conference provided essential training and support for ASCE leaders at all career stages.

Thanks to all the member who attended the conference and the tremendous job they did representing the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch and making us proud!

Our very own, Jessica Garcia, EI, ran the Eastern Regional Younger Member Council (ERYMC) Business Meeting. In addition, the YMG Group of the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch won the Peers Group Award for the work we did from October 2021 to September 2022!!! Special thanks to everyone's support from the past year and the current board who is helping to continue our YMG's success.





We are also excited to announce that the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch will be hosting the Multi Region Leadership Conference in January 2024 next year.

Please see the link below for more details and how you can volunteer to help organize this event. We appreciate everyone's continued to support!

[MRLC 2024](#)

YMG Corner

Our Younger Members Group has been keeping busy!



Lanzamiento Del Libro "Pueden Los Que Se Atraven"

On Saturday, January 21, 2023, Ardurra and the YMG celebrated the launch of the book, "Pueden los que se atraven", by the Salvadorian Writer and Poet, Eliú O. Pérez.

- Guests of honor at the event included:
- Andrea Suarez Abastida, NMB Water
 - Dr. Nicolas Gutierrez, Former Chairman of the SFWMD
 - Mariana Evora, PE, City of Miami Beach
 - Daniela Pachon, Journalist and Presenter Caracol Television



YMG Yoga by the Shore

On Saturday, January 28, 2023, in collaboration with Habitat Young Professionals (HYP Miami) and Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS), our members experienced a relaxing morning stretching along with yoga instructor Tiffany Levy. Thank you to everyone who attended!

Miami-Dade County Steam Expo

On Saturday, February 4, 2023, members of the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch Younger Member Group (YMG) participated as judges for the Miami-Dade County Steam Expo. This was a great opportunity to get involved in the community!



STEM Resume and Interview Workshop

On Monday, February 20, 2023, the ASCE Miami-Dade Branch Younger Member Group (YMG) and Kimley Horn hosted a Resume and Interview Workshop at the FIU Engineering Center in collaboration with over 13 student organizations.



2023 Annual Awards & Installation Dinner
Hosted by ASCE Miami-Dade Branch

SAVE THE DATE

August 25, 2023



The ASCE Miami-Dade Branch will hold its **47th Annual Awards and Installation Ceremony** on Friday, August 25th, 2023 at the Rusty Pelican. The Branch will recognize the efforts and accomplishments of the award winners, scholarship recipients, fellow members, institute and committee members as well as the board of directors. This event is still currently in the planning stages. Additional details on the keynote speaker and the event registration will be available and open at a later date.

List of Awards

- Employer of the Year
- Project of the Year - Category I (Under \$10M)
- Project of the Year - Category II (From \$10M to \$100M)
- Project of the Year - Category III (Above \$100M)
- Sustainable Project of the Year
- Engineer of the Year
- Government Engineer of the Year
- Young Engineer of the Year
- Graduate Student of the Year
- Student of the Year

Upcoming Events



UESI - Annual Capital Improvement Presentation - April 6, 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Please join the UESI institute on a joint event on April 6th, 2023 at John Martins in Coral Gables, FL for a fun night of networking and learning!

Presenters Samuel Zamacona, EI and Andrea Saurez Abastidal, PMP. will discuss North Miami Beach's Capital Improvement Projects. Sponsorship opportunities are also available! For more information, Contact: vcoloma@keithteam.com.

We hope to see you there!

Please register using the link below or in our Instagram bio (Limited spots are available):

When: Thursday, April 6

Price: \$40.00

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Where: 253 Miracle Mile, Coral Cables

[RSVP here](#)

Meet the Society Elect Candidates March 8, 5:30 to 8:00 PM

Join ASCE Miami-Dade Branch to meet the candidates for ASCE Society President-Elect! Tickets include two drinks and the opportunity to get to know both of the 2024 President-elect candidates in an intimate setting. To learn more about the candidates, please use the link below:

<https://www.asce.org/about-asce/elections>



Feniosky A. Peña-Mora, Sc.D,
P.E. (DR), NAS (DR), CCM (UK),



Brett C. Phillips, Ph.D., CPEng,
D.WRE, F.EWRI, F.ASCE

Please register using the link below or in our Instagram bio (Limited spots are available):

When: Wednesday, March 8th

Time: 5:30 to 8:00 PM

Price: \$55.00

Where: Aloft Doral
3265 Northwest 107th Avenue
Doral, FL 33172

[RSVP here](#)

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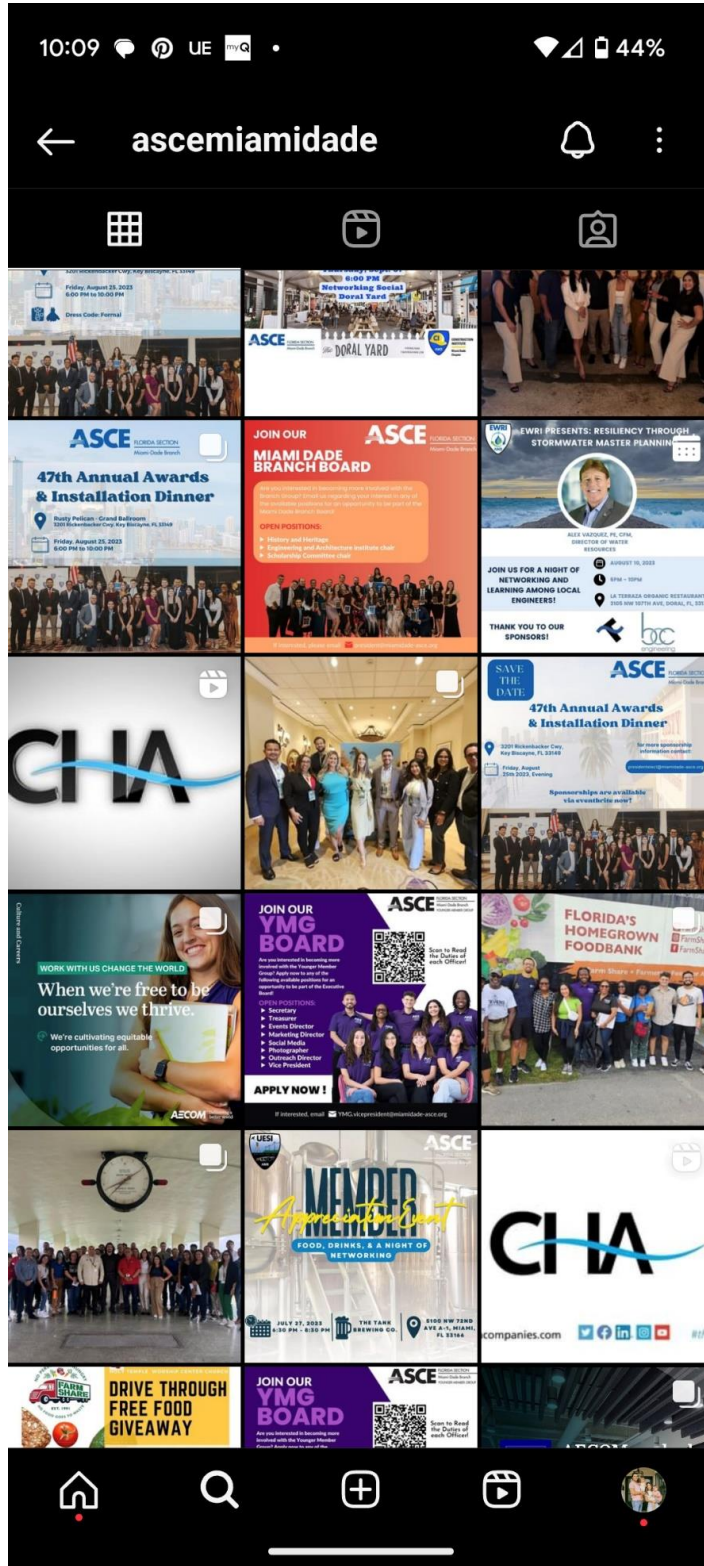
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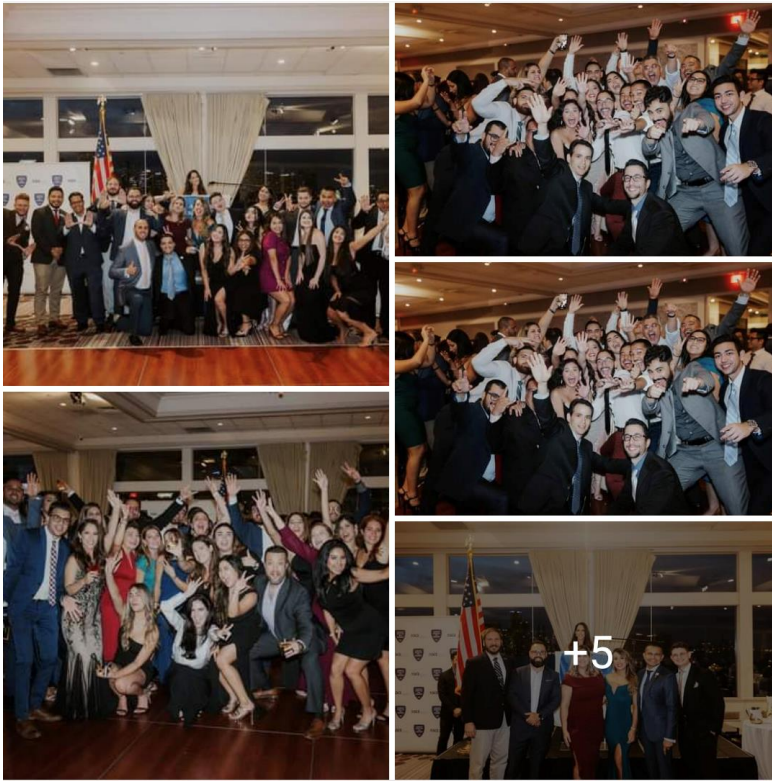




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