

## **International Special Events Society – ISES**

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### **ISES Minneapolis-St. Paul Wins Spirit of Excellence Awards in Montreal; Named International Chapter of the Year for Second Consecutive Year**

For the second consecutive year, the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter of the International Special Events Society (ISES) was named International Chapter of the Year by the organization. Also awarded to the chapter was the 2006-2007 Spirit of Excellence Award for Membership Growth.

This Spirit of Excellence—International Chapter of the Year award recognizes 1 of the 41 international ISES chapters that best exemplifies outstanding achievement in Communications, Programming and Education, Special Projects, Chapter Administration, Membership Retention and Growth, as well as CSEP (Certified Special Event Professional) enrollments and exam participants. Earning this award symbolizes the excellence to which other chapters may aspire. The Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter is the first chapter to win Chapter of the Year independently, two years in a row.

The Spirit of Excellence Award for Membership Growth was awarded to the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter due to an increase in membership, from 77 to 176 individuals, a 76% growth rate in 2006-2007—the highest in the international organization.

The 2006-2007 Spirit of Excellence Awards were handed out at the International Special Events Society's Annual General Meeting, held August 18, 2007, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. The general meeting and awards are part of ISES Eventworld®—An Institute for Professional Development Conference held annually.



### **What is ISES?**

*The International Special Events Society is comprised of over 5,600 professionals associated among 41 chapters world wide who work in the special events industry as event planners, caterers, decorators, florists, destination management companies, rental and production companies, tent suppliers, audio-visual technicians, party and convention coordinators, hotel and convention managers, entertainers and much more. ISES provides education and networking to its members to promote professionalism in the special events industry. Locally, just over 150 event professionals are associated with the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter.*