



NONPROFIT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT 2013

**INNOVATION AWARD FINALISTS AND KEYNOTES ANNOUNCED FOR
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Monticello New York: The Steering Committee of the **Nonprofit Leadership Summit 2013** announced the two **keynote speakers** and three inaugural Nonprofit Innovation Award **finalists** for this year's event, scheduled for **Wednesday, March 6th**, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., generously hosted by Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. Nonprofit leaders will address participants at the 2013 Summit, focusing on the theme of *strategic leadership through collaboration and innovative thinking*.

Key Note Speakers: **Greg Berman**, director of the Center for Court Innovation and recipient of the national Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation will present the lunchtime keynote address, ***“Lessons from the Front Lines of Innovation.”*** Berman is part of the founding team responsible for creating the Center and has helped guide the organization from start-up to an annual budget of more than \$20 million. He is co-author of *Trial & Error in Criminal Justice Reform: Learning from Failure* and *Good Courts: The Case for Problem-Solving Justice*. He has contributed chapters to numerous books including Peter Drucker's *Next Management*, *Judicial Politics*, and *Resolving Family Conflicts*. He is a graduate of Wesleyan University and a former Coro Fellow in Public Affairs.

Doug Sauer, Executive Director of New York Council on Nonprofits (NYCON) will kick off the morning with his presentation, ***“Beyond Collaboration.”*** Sauer has extensive experience developing health and human service collaborations and providing nonprofit assistance and training in strategic planning, board development, personnel, strategic alliances and mergers, and risk management. Under his leadership, NYCON has grown to a membership of more than 3,000 organizations, and is nationally recognized as a leader in building innovative partnerships. Sauer is founder of Innovative Charitable Initiatives, a nonprofit subsidiary providing fiscal sponsorship and employment administration services, and served as a gubernatorial appointee on the NYS National Commission on Community Service. He holds a Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Pittsburgh and a Bachelor's degree from the University at Albany.

“My fellow Summit Co-Chairs, Amanda Langseder, Karen Van Houten Minogue and I are thrilled to present such exemplary nonprofit leaders as speakers for this year's Summit,” said Linda C. Hartley, president of Hartley Consulting, Inc. “The Summit aims to encourage collaborative partnerships and innovative thinking to generate both greater

philanthropic support and social impact within the context of the new economic reality. Our keynote speakers clearly align with this larger purpose. Doug Sauer and Greg Berman will share insights and expertise that will engage and inspire all of us on March 6.” The Summit will also offer seminars and workshops on topics such as organizational assessment, marketing and social media, fundraising, succession planning, and volunteer recruitment.

Innovation Award Finalists: Summit Vice Chair Glenn Pontier thanked award subcommittee members Wade Lawrence, Kathy Kreiter, Ramsay Adams, and Evadne Giannini for developing the award criteria and screening the first group of applicants.

Pontier was pleased to announce the three finalists: **Crystal Run Village** for its program “New Lives New Directions”; **Community Reporting Alliance**, for a youth-run community newspaper; and **Rural & Migrant Ministry-Youth Economic Group** for a business model on entrepreneurship.

This year’s Summit launches the first Nonprofit Innovation Awards with three finalists who will present their projects to the Summit audience and three judges, all of whom reside outside of Sullivan County. The judges will then select a first place \$5,000 winner and two \$500 runners up.

The Summit Co-Chairs advised those interested in attending to register early. The first two annual nonprofit summits sold out early. Tickets with breakfast, lunch and afternoon networking reception are \$40.

To register to attend the 2013 Nonprofit Leadership Summit contact Amanda Langseder at Cornell Cooperative Extension, Sullivan County at 845-292-6180 ags97@cornell.edu

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