



2010 Anna Maria Arias Memorial Business Fund Awardess and sponsors. (L-R) Francene Young, Debra Stewart, Alycia D. Enciso, Entrepreneur of the Year, Graciela Tiscareño-Sato, Alba Gonzalez-Nylander, Evelyn Brooks, Monika Mantilla, and Advocate of the Year, Frances Garcia.

During the evening, mistress of ceremony Nitza Soledad Pérez, anchor, WZDC Telemundo in Washington D.C. welcomed everyone with enthusiasm. "This is a special moment," said Francene Young, vice president of Human Resources for Shell Oil Company as she provided the sponsor remarks. "What we get tonight is all the energy that comes from the wonderful Latinas who are doing what they want to do and the AMAMBF really celebrates that type of energy, it's the accomplishment of Anna Maria Arias herself that we honor and for all of you who are awardees we know how special this is for you," stated Young. "We believe, as *LATINA Style* believes, that supporting the growth and development of diverse entrepreneurs is key to achieving success."

Anna Maria Arias Memorial Business Fund Gala Dinner & Awards, 2010

On the evening of Friday, November 12, 2010 Latinas from throughout the country gathered in Washington D.C. to celebrate the accomplishments of Latina entrepreneurs at the 9th Annual Anna Maria Arias Memorial Business Fund Gala Dinner & Awards. Since its establishment in 2002, the Anna Maria Arias Memorial Business Fund, created to recognize the accomplishments of Anna Maria Arias, the late founder and editor of *LATINA Style Magazine*, has been the most respected and coveted business award program for Latina business owners in the U.S. The Fund celebrates this spirit of entrepreneurship that was Anna Maria's vision and that today serves to fuel the phenomenal growth of the Latina business sector.



Francene Young, vice president of Human Resources for Shell Oil Company provides sponsor remarks at the event.



Graciela Tiscareño-Sato gives remarks as Entrepreneur of the Year.



Jon Muñoz, manager, Inclusion and Diversity, Sprint Nextel Corporation, Francene Young, Alba Gonzalez-Nylander and others.