



Details: PASEsetter Awards Benefit, Tuesday, Feb. 28 at 6:00pm

Location: Cipriani at 42nd Street

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PASE to Honor Five Afterschool Educators and co-CEO of Bridgewater Associates at 2017 PASEsetter Awards

NEW YORK CITY – January 26, 2016: The Partnership for After School Education (PASE) will honor five exemplary afterschool educators and **Eileen Murray, co-CEO of Bridgewater Associates**, at the 2017 PASEsetter Awards Benefit on Tuesday, February 28th at 6:00 p.m. at Cipriani 42nd Street in New York City.

The annual PASEsetter Awards Benefit gathers more than 500 city leaders from government, business, education, advocacy, philanthropy, and youth development to honor five of New York City's most innovative and effective community educators, as well as Afterschool Champions who have dedicated their expertise, knowledge, time, and values to improve the lives of the youth of New York City.

This year's PASEsetter Award Winners are:

- **Wesner J. Pierre** - Vice President, Education and Development, CAMBA Inc.
- **José Pietri-Coimbre** - String Faculty Member and Director of Chamber Music Program, Third Street Music School Settlement
- **Madeline Rosario** - Program Director, New Settlement Apartments
- **Vanessa Vales-Lewis** – Education Coordinator, Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health
- **Virginia Vitzthum** – Editor and Program Manager, Youth Communication

Eileen Murray will be honored as the 2017 Afterschool Champion. Ms. Murray is a longtime friend of PASE and supporter of the afterschool community in New York City.

“Afterschool programs play a transformational role in the lives of children living in poverty” said Fern Khan, Dean Emerita, Division of Continuing Education at Bank Street College and President of PASE's Board of Directors. “The PASEsetter Awards Benefit honors the inspiring and caring professionals who devote themselves to these programs to assure that all children have access to the supports they need to be successful in school and in life.”

Tickets are available through www.pasesetter.org.

ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP FOR AFTER SCHOOL EDUCATION

The Partnership for After School Education (PASE) is a child-focused organization that promotes and supports quality afterschool programs, particularly those serving young people from underserved communities. An innovative pioneer in the development and advancement of the afterschool field, PASE was formed in 1993 to professionalize afterschool services so that providers could deliver consistent, high-quality programming to youth and increase their capacity to meet the needs of their communities. PASE is committed to providing the more than 1,600 organizations in our community with the support they need to provide the 500,000 young people in New York City's afterschool programs with the high-quality services they deserve.