CHICAGO’S THE PALMER HOUSE, A HILTON HOTEL’S GENERAL MANAGER DEAN LANE NAMED HISTORIC HOTELIER OF THE YEAR BY HISTORIC HOTELS OF AMERICA

CHICAGO (November XX, 2015) – Historic Hotels of America recently announced the winners of its 2015 Awards of Excellence, honoring General Manager Dean Lane of Chicago’s hip & historic The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel as the 2015 Historic Hotelier of the Year. From more than 200 nominees nationwide, Lane and other winners were recognized at the 2015 Annual Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner at West Baden Springs Hotel in Indiana.

Lane is recognized for his outstanding efforts at furthering the success of The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel, spearheading operations and driving revenue in the hotel’s leisure and meetings & events spheres. His exceptional duties as General Manager sees him bridging the hotel’s past with its future, striking a balance between conserving its rich history while spearheading modernization to ensure the hotel’s continuous evolution to meet the ever changing needs of today’s travelers.

(IHLA President’s Quote)

The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel is also acknowledged for its deep-rooted history, which dates back to 1871 when the hotel first opened as an extravagant wedding present to Bertha Honoré Palmer by her husband, Potter Palmer. Though the hotel was destroyed 13 days later in the Great Chicago Fire, Palmer rebuilt the grand hotel and the new Palmer House welcomed its first guests on November 8, 1873, marking the opening of what would become the nation’s longest continually operating hotel.

“It is incredibly humbling to have not only myself, but The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel as well recognized with this award,” said Lane. “The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel is such a major cultural institution for Chicago and the country as a whole and I’m honored to be a part of the hotel’s continuing story, serving as an agent of its further evolution.”
For more information on The Palmer House, A Hilton Hotel, please visit http://www.palmerhousehiltonhotel.com/, and to view more information about the 2015 Awards of Excellence, please visit HistoricHotels.org.

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