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### **United Fresh to Honor Women in the Produce Industry**

*Nominations Now Accepted for Honoree at Chicago Convention*

WASHINGTON, D.C. (March 4, 2015) – The United Fresh Produce Association is now accepting nominations for the 2015 Women in Produce honoree to speak at the annual [Reception Honoring Women in Produce](#), Tuesday, June 9 at [United Fresh 2015](#) in Chicago.

Each year, United Fresh recognizes the contributions of all women working in the produce industry and honors one outstanding female industry leader at this reception.

“The Reception Honoring Women in Produce is always a highlight of the convention,” said United Fresh President and CEO Tom Stenzel. “We’re looking forward to celebrating with this year’s honoree, her peers and past honorees in Chicago this June.”

“It was a true honor to be recognized by my prestigious colleagues and peers,” said Teri Miller, 2014 Women in Produce Honoree, Produce Category Manager, Delhaize America. “I encourage the produce industry to participate in the nomination process and recognize the many outstanding women who contribute to our industry.”

The deadline to nominate is **Tuesday, March 31, 2015**. Nomination forms may be found [online](#).

Past Women in Produce Honorees include:

- Teri Miller, Delhaize America
- Dan’l Mackey Almy, DMA Solutions, Inc.
- Tonya Antle, Tanimura & Antle
- Frieda Rapoport Caplan, Frieda’s Inc.
- Margaret D’Arrigo, Taylor Farms, Inc.
- Jan DeLyser, California Avocado Commission
- Jan Fleming, Strube Celery & Vegetable Company

- Janice Honigberg, Sun Belle, Inc.
- Lorri Koster, Mann Packing Company
- Kathleen Nave, California Table Grape Commission
- Dr. Martha Rhodes-Roberts, University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
- Steffanie Smith, River Point Farms, LLC
- Heather Shavey, Costco Wholesale
- Mayda Sotomayor-Kirk, Seald Sweet International
- Rosemary Talley, Talley Farms
- Jenney Tenney, The Kroger Company

For more information on the [Reception Honoring Women in Produce](#), contact United Fresh's Director of Education, Jessica Mosley at 202-303-3417 or [jmosley@unitedfresh.org](mailto:jmosley@unitedfresh.org).

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### **About United Fresh Produce Association**

Founded in 1904, the United Fresh Produce Association brings together companies across every segment of the fresh produce supply chain, including growers, shippers, fresh cut processors, wholesalers, distributors, retailers, foodservice operators, industry suppliers and allied associations. We empower industry leaders to shape sound government policy. We deliver the resources and expertise companies need to succeed in managing complex business and technical issues. We provide the training and development individuals need to advance their careers in produce. Through these endeavors, we unite our industry with a common purpose – to build long-term value for our members and grow produce consumption.