



Nora O'Garro is a passionate "Event Planner" and the CEO and Owner of Unamelt Event Planning. She has over 20 years of experience coordinating events such as college reunions, family reunions, significant birthdays, anniversaries, graduations and all types of showers.

Nora enjoys being a motivational speaker and is a Component Communicator in Toastmasters International. She does most of her speaking engagements to high school, college students, and at Ladies Day Programs. She speaks on topics about success, financial empowerment and good health.

Nora has a Bachelor of Accountancy degree from New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, NM. She has certification in food handling. She has served on the Board of Directors of two non-profit organizations – The I Have A Dream Foundation and The National Association of Black Accountants, Inc. (NABA). She is the Founder and Director of the Dallas Accounting Career Awareness Program (ACAP) held annually on the campus of Southern Methodist University (It has existed for the last 15 years).

Nora is the wife of Colin O'Garro. She has four adult children and eight grandchildren – seven grandsons and one granddaughter (affectionally called "The Fab 7 and the Diva"). Nora is a Ministry Leader for the Ladies Bible Class at Mountain View Church of Christ and was the founder of the Women's Financial Empowerment Class. She enjoys traveling, sewing, athletics and reading.

Nora Roles in NABA:

Local Chapter - DFW

Member of DFW Professional Chapter – 1983 – present (uninterrupted)

Corporate Relations Director – 1984-1987

Served on other committee which included Community Service, Professional Development and Membership – (1988 – 1991)

Executive Vice President – 1992-1994

Founder and Director – ACAP – 2001 – 2010, 2015

DFW ACAP BOD – 2001 - Present

Western Region Roles:

Western Region Co – Chair – SWWRSC – 1995 -1996

Western Region Representative – 2007- 2008

Western Region Vice President – 2009 - 2011

Western Region President – 2012 – 2013

National Roles:

National BOD – 2007 – 2009, 2010, 2012-2013

National ACAP Chair – 2007-2008, 2010, 2012-2013, 2015

National SCREP Chair – 1995 – 2000; SCREP Grader – 1985 - 2000

Other National Committees- Student Member Services, Finance, Membership, Professional Chapter Development, and By-Laws

NORA'S NABA Awards/Recognitions:

Local - DFW:

"Distinguished Service Award" in 1994-1995, 2002-2003, 2006-2007, 2014-2015

"Outstanding Member Award" 1992-1993 and 2003-2004 and 2005-2006.

"ACAP Legacy Award" – 2015

Regional- Western Region:

"Outstanding Member Award" for 2006-2007 and 2011-2012

"Outstanding Service and Leadership – WR Planning Retreat 2013

"Distinguished Service Award " – 2011

National: NABA 2008 National Convention:

National Community Service Award - 2008

Other NABA related Award/Accomplishments:

Ernst & Young Inclusiveness Champion of the Year – Non Profit Individual – 2009

Instrumental in helping with starting 5 new ACAPs – Atlanta, Wichita, Houston, Phoenix and Minneapolis

Served as Judge for KPMG Student Chapter Case Competition - held at National Convention – 2012, 2013

Motivational Speaker at SWWRSC – 2012-2015

Awarded First ACAP Scholarship at Regional Student Conference – 2015

Creator of ACAP Summit at SWWRSC – 2014 and 2015

Dallas ACAP created NABA Song – Lift as We Climb - 2009

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