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Renaissance San Francisco Stanford Court Leader Named Among City's Influential

Lisa Kershner, general manager of the San Francisco boutique hotel, to be honored by San Francisco Business Times

San Francisco, CA – Lisa Kershner had no idea just how big of an impact she has made in her role at the [Renaissance San Francisco Stanford Court Hotel](#).

So when the general manager of the Nob Hill hotel was approached by the San Francisco Business Times to appear in this year's [Bay Area's Most Influential Women](#) publication, she was elated. The leader of one of the premier San Francisco boutique hotels is one of 140 business leaders who will be honored June 6, 2013, at an exclusive dinner and awards ceremony to be held at a competitor hotel in San Francisco's Union Square.



Kershner has been the leader of the Stanford Court hotel in San Francisco since 2012, helping to oversee a \$35 million renovation that has reimagined the lobby and [refreshed guest quarters](#) while maintaining the hotel's historic, timeless feel. The 393-room property also has one of the hottest new spots to savor seasonal cuisine thanks to the Aurea restaurant.

Kershner credits her mentor, Bill Kimpton, for giving her the opportunity to be a general manager and said "has always been a great example of being personable yet professional." However, she says it was her mother, Joyce, who is her real role model.

"After emigrating from China with my father, she took it upon herself to work two jobs, attend night school to learn how to speak English and raise five kids with a beautiful smile on her face," Kershner said.

Before her role with Marriott, Kershner was interim executive director for the Hotel Council of San Francisco. She also had previous stints with Kimpton Hotels, serving as regional vice president of hotels from 2007 to 2011 and area director of operations from 2000 to 2007. She has been endorsed numerous times on LinkedIn for her leadership and hotel and hospitality management.

Readers of the city's Business Times nominated candidates from the public, private and non-profit sectors with the qualifications of having to be based in Palo Alto and the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Marin, Alameda and Contra Costa. Editors and staff members then evaluated nominees on their influence in their respected industries as well as in their communities. A special April 26, 2013, publication celebrated the honorees.

About the Renaissance San Francisco Stanford Court Hotel

The Renaissance San Francisco Stanford Court Hotel is perched atop Nob Hill and offers breathtaking views of the city's skyline. The boutique Stanford Court hotel provides easy access to three cable car lines that will take visitors to many of San Francisco's famous attractions. With 367 rooms and 26 suites on eight floors, the Nob Hill hotel is pet-friendly and boasts 16 meeting rooms with 13,000 square feet of flexible space, a restaurant and lounge and state-of-the-art fitness center. For information, visit www.marriott.com/SFOSC.