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6th Precinct	Detective Mayko Matos
9th Precinct	Police Officer Eugene Adeleye
10th Precinct	Police Officer William Lleras
13th Precinct	Police Officer Edward Griffin
Midtown South	Police Officer Gina Lagattolla

MAYKO MATOS DETECTIVE

NYPD PRECINCT 6 HONOREE



Detective Mayko Matos, sworn into the NYPD on July 7, 2015, has an impressive career marked by dedication and achievements. Starting in the 50th Precinct, he later patrolled the 6th Precinct from December 7th, 2015, and joined the Public Safety Team there on December 24th, 2020. With 306 arrests to his name, Detective Matos earned two Meritorious Police Duty Medals and eighteen Excellent Police Duty Medals, culminating in his promotion to detective on October 31st, 2023.

Detective Matos's relentless commitment to duty is evident in his notable arrests. In December 2020, he made a pickup arrest for burglary, addressing a recurring issue in the Sixth Precinct. In July 2021, he apprehended a robbery suspect, earning him "Cop of the Month" awards. In October 2023, responding to a narcotics-selling radio-run, Detective Matos conducted a traffic stop, resulting in the arrest of an individual with a revoked license. A subsequent search uncovered a substantial quantity of narcotics.

His proactive approach to enforcing laws, detecting suspicious activity, and providing a visible presence has contributed to his success. Detective Matos excels in surveillance and is known for working well with peers and mentoring new officers. His adaptability is evident in joint operations with various NYPD units, addressing precinct issues ranging from youth coordination to financial crimes.

In recognition of Detective Matos's crime-fighting efforts in Greenwich Village, he is a strong candidate for the Sixth Precinct Officer of the Year. His track record of successful arrests and contributions to team efforts reflects his commitment to protecting residents and visitors. Detective Matos's flexibility, skills, and dedication make him an excellent choice for this accolade.



EUGENE ADELEYE POLICE OFFICER

NYPD PRECINCT 9 HONOREE

With over seven years in the NYPD, **Police Officer Eugene Adeleye** currently serves in the ninth precinct Community Affairs Unit, where his dedication and skill in handling challenging situations and de-escalation are well-recognized.

Officer Adeleye joined the NYPD in April 2016, initially assigned to the ninth precinct in September of the same year. Excelling in the Field Training Unit, he was subsequently appointed as a Neighborhood Coordination Officer (NCO) for sector Charlie alongside his partner, Police Officer Gelin. His role as NCO Charlie allowed him to engage with community partners, address crime and quality of life issues, and conduct Build the Block meetings to exchange ideas and educate the community on NYPD initiatives.

After successful years as NCO Charlie, Officer Adeleye transitioned to become the ninth precinct's Crime Prevention Officer. His continued hard work led to his assignment in the Community Affairs Unit, working collaboratively with partners Officers Michael Raineri and Michael Lozada, as well as the community.

Officer Adeleye's contributions are vital to the ninth precinct's successes, and his commitment serves as an inspiration to others. His efforts have strengthened community-police relationships, showcasing his dedication to both the community and the New York City Police Department. The precinct expresses gratitude to Officer Adeleye for his ongoing commitment and congratulate him on this honor as Officer of the Year.

WILLIAM LLERAS POLICE OFFICER

NYPD PRECINCT 10 HONOREE



Appointed to the NYPD on July 2, 2018, **Police Officer William Lleras** has demonstrated exceptional dedication and performance since joining the force. In October 2019, he was assigned to the Tenth Precinct, where he completed his Field Training Program and stood out for his positive interactions with the community.

Recognizing Officer Lleras's outstanding performance, he was assigned as a Neighborhood Coordination Officer, a role in which he serves as a crucial link between the police and the community, contributing significantly as a crime fighter and problem solver. Officer Lleras consistently exceeds expectations, going above and beyond his duties, making him an invaluable asset to the Tenth Precinct and the larger community.

His commitment to combating crime and fostering community support was underscored by being named the Tenth Precinct Cop of the Month in March. During a high-stress situation on March 16, Officer Lleras responded swiftly to a 911 call reporting a man with a large rifle on 10th Avenue. Using the description, he identified and apprehended the individual within minutes, discovering two loaded firearms in the process. His ability to take a dangerous individual off the streets while maintaining composure in a stressful situation showcased his exemplary professionalism.

In a short time with the NYPD, Officer Lleras has made a significant impact on the community, earning the respect of both supervisors and peers. Congratulations to Officer Lleras for this well-deserved recognition and a job well done.



EDWARD GRIFFIN POLICE OFFICER

NYPD PRECINCT 13 HONOREE

Since being appointed to the NYPD in October 2016, **Police Officer Edward Griffin** has demonstrated exceptional dedication and performance in his relatively short tenure. After completing his Field Training Program in December 2017 at the 13th Precinct, Officer Griffin's outstanding performance and consistent high-quality arrest enforcement led to his assignment as a Public Safety Officer.

In his role as a Public Safety Officer, Officer Griffin has excelled, taking on a leadership role and managing scenes effectively. His ability to stabilize situations and go beyond assigned duties has made him an asset to the 13th Precinct and the broader community. This recognition underscores Officer Griffin's commitment to combating crime and promoting community support.

On August 3, 2023, Officer Griffin responded to a 911 call reporting a robbery on West 25th Street. He swiftly located and apprehended the individual responsible, recovering the stolen iPhone. Another incident on October 12, 2023, showcased Officer Griffin's vigilance when he observed individuals inside a closed commercial food place on West 25th Street, acting suspiciously. He detained the group, leading to the discovery of items commonly used as burglar's tools.

In a short time with the NYPD, Officer Griffin has made a significant impact on the community he serves, earning the respect of both supervisors and peers. His proactive and effective responses to criminal incidents demonstrate his commitment to public safety. Congratulations to Officer Griffin on a job well done!

GINA LAGATTOLLA POLICE OFFICER

NYPD MIDTOWN SOUTH
PRECINCT HONOREE



Police Officer Gina Lagattolla, appointed to the NYPD on November 2, 2020, has quickly distinguished herself as an exemplary officer. Initially assigned to Midtown Precinct South in May 2021, she completed the Field Training Program and subsequently earned a coveted assignment at Madison Square Garden Post on the day tour Platoon.

In January 2023, Officer Lagattolla joined the Midtown Precinct South Public Safety Team, showcasing exceptional awareness of crime trends and conditions in the command. Since the beginning of the year, she has made sixty-seven arrests and collaborates effectively with the Detective Squad and Field Intelligence Officers.

One notable incident on August 15, 2023, underscores Officer Lagattolla's proactive approach. Using an Argus Camera, she observed a suspicious exchange and, suspecting a drug transaction, effected a Pick-Up arrest. The apprehended individual was found with an imitation firearm, twenty-three containers of Alleged K2, and drug paraphernalia.

Her quick and decisive actions during this incident led to Officer Lagattolla being nominated for Cop of the Year for Midtown Precinct South. Despite her relatively short time in the NYPD, she has made a significant impact on the community, earning the respect of both supervisors and peers. Officer Lagattolla is lauded as a highly competent and reliable officer who consistently performs tasks and assignments in a professional manner.

For her outstanding contributions and achievements, Police Officer Gina Lagattolla is rightfully selected as the Midtown Precinct South's Cop of the Year for 2023, with congratulations for a job well done and encouragement to continue the great work.

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