

Nancy Lepre - Abra-Avante

[Nancy Lepre](#), President and Co-owner of both [Avante Contracting Corporation](#) and [Abracadabra Painting Company](#), joined NYSFAFH for its networking, educational, and advocacy opportunities. She believes NYSFAFH is a powerful leadership organization that provides timely information and resources on how the affordable housing landscape continues to evolve, including – and most importantly – the support of [Minority and Women Business Enterprises \(MWBEs\)](#).

“As a female business owner, NYSFAFH gives me a voice and an avenue to advocate for the things that are important to our future development at Avante,” said Nancy. “I like supporting NYSFAFH because the affordable housing industry is a market that comes from a place of integrity. We feel good about what we do because we know our work is helping others in need.”

Since the 1980’s, Abracadabra and Avante have been leading contractors, renovating and maintaining affordable housing in New York City and the greater tri-state area. Since their origins running out of a small home office, Abracadabra and Avante have experienced significant growth and now boast approximately 30 employees and up to 50 subcontractors on a daily basis. Abracadabra and Avante take pride in their diversity, employee loyalty, and support of minority and local subcontractor crews, as well as specializing in executing renovations on occupied units while maintaining maximal comfort for tenants.