

HOUSTON TECHNOLOGY CENTER COMMEMORATED ITS 10<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY WITH “A CELEBRATION OF ENTREPRENEURS”  
INCLUDING GB TECH CEO GALE BURKETT

The Houston Technology Center (HTC), a business accelerator that assists Houston-based emerging technology companies, celebrated its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year with a red carpet gala – “*A Celebration of Entrepreneurs*” held May 14, 2009.

This year’s celebration spotlighted more than 60 of Houston’s landmark entrepreneurs, including five of Houston’s top entrepreneurs within the emerging technology industry who received Lifetime and Special Achievement Awards. Recipients included:

**Gale Burkett** – *Aerospace*

**Rod Canion** – *Information Technology*

**Dr. Nancy Chang** – *Life Science*

**Dan Duncan** – *Energy*

**Dr. James Tour** – *Nanotechnology*

“Over the past decade, the HTC and our staff have mentored hundreds of local entrepreneurs, which have enabled the growth of emerging technology companies, job creation and economic development throughout the Greater Houston region,” said Walter Ulrich, president and CEO of the HTC. “With the uncertainty of today’s economy, our mission of accelerating emerging technology companies is now more important than ever.”