

THE 2010 ADVOCACY FELLOW AWARDS...

January 20 2011, Celebration Dinner
Balalaika Hotel, Johannesburg, South Africa



- The "**carry your office in your pocket**" award for perseverance in the face of persecution goes to Gift, a "Clinton" of the African MSM community, a diplomat and a multitasking advocate.
- The "**who needs internet to change the world**" for innovative engagement with grassroots women goes to Cynthia, documentarian, communicator and champion of women's prevention.
- The "**I will not be denied**" award for potent persuasion and negotiation to secure civil society representation goes to Alliance, who brought her unique, soft spoken but steel willed and clear eyed approach to engaging government, WHO and everyone in between.
- The "**go big or go home**" award for fulfilled ambitions goes to Patrick, who wouldn't take "think small" for an answer when it came to developing the curriculum he envisioned for his communities.
- The "**yesyes**" award for multi-tiered advocacy goes to Nono, who rocked the mike at M2010, brought messages to treatment activists and helped make prevention research a part of the broader S. African agenda.
- The "**coalition-building champion**" award goes to Richard who used his wit, wisdom, writing skills to craft a unique report on community engagement and create a new civil society coalition
- The "**Media P.I.**" Award goes to Munya for his maverick communication and media engagement within trial sites - which has inspired them to see this as important activity and earned him the respect from scientists across the field.
- The "**perseverance, patience and passion**" award goes to Jauhara for pushing the boundaries of her learning, her skills and her organization - open to guidance and critique, not afraid of hard work and always with a smile.