

## **IN Balance winner of Perth Airport 'Indigenous Business of the Year Award' In 22<sup>nd</sup> Belmont Small Business Awards**

IN Balance was one of many Western Australian small businesses awarded in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Belmont Small Business Awards on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2015. The winners were showcased at the 'Night of Stars Event' in the Grand Ballroom of the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The awards provide a fantastic opportunity for small and growing enterprises from Belmont and across Western Australia to be recognised for their achievements.

To start proceedings, a Welcome to Country was given by Ingrid Cumming from Kart Koort Wiern. Chair of the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre, Jules Lewin gave the official welcome, and then WA State Manager, Dianne May, from the Department of Industry delivered a message on behalf of The Hon Kelly O'Dwyer, Minister Small Business and Assistant Treasurer. The Mayor of the City of Belmont, Cr Phil Marks also gave an update on business in Belmont. MC;s for the evening were Past Chair of Belmont BEC Tim Hammond and TCF WA Vice Chair Jasmyn Mumme. Attendees on the night enjoyed a WA Designer Showcase which was supported by Silverstar Designs (designer Margaret Sylvester), Ava (designer Petra Vanessie and Holly Barker Millinery), Breathless (designer Helen Rimpas), Arcaro Couture (designer Angelina Arcaro). Thankyou to all models and Danique De Kat and Metro Modelling and Dance Academy in Cockburn.

Winner of the 'Indigenous Business of the Year Award' was IN Balance. Founded in 2013, IN Balance is Australia's first 100% Aboriginal owned chemical distribution company. IN Balance provides world class Australian made environmentally responsible cleaning and industrial solutions for multinational companies across Australia and has recently started exporting into North and South America. IN Balance partners with other Indigenous and minority businesses to achieve the best economic and social outcomes possible.

Presenter of the award Julie Coleman from Perth Airport said, "Perth Airport is proud to continue its support of the Indigenous Business of the Year Award. As custodians of the land on which the airport is located, Perth Airport recognises the importance of the area to the Noongar people and values its ongoing partnership with the local Indigenous community. Perth Airport would like to congratulate IN Balance for winning Indigenous Business of the Year and all entrants in this category."

For further details on all winners of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Belmont Small Business Awards 2015 visit [www.belmontbec.com/awards](http://www.belmontbec.com/awards)

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