



MEDIA RELEASE

24th Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards are open!

The 24th annual Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards officially launched on the 27th of April at the City of Belmont Civic Centre by Mayor Phil Marks, City of Belmont. The event included the official launch of 2017 Designedge innovation festival (celebrating its 13th year).

The Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards are coordinated by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre Inc. (Belmont BEC) and supported by major sponsors City of Belmont and the Textile Clothing Footwear Resource Centre of WA (TCFWA).

Belmont BEC CEO Carol Hanlon said “The Awards are open to small businesses both within the Belmont area, Perth Metro and state-wide. This is the 24th year we have held our Small Business Awards, and I’d like to acknowledge some of our new sponsors who have joined us this year FA Concept Store, Country Wide Insurance Brokers, Social Innovation Development, Community First, Volunteer Task Force and Care Options.

In addition I’d like to thank the City of Belmont for their unwavering support as major sponsor of the event since its inception and our valued supporting sponsors include Belmont Forum, Belmont Rotary, Business News, Hanssen Project Management, Mustera Property Group, NAB, Perth Airport, Qbit, Racebreed Australia, Southern Gazette, Telstra Business Centre Belmont, Watering Concepts, Westways Visual Communication, Worldwide Printing Solutions, Aaragon Construction Management, BPW WA and The Australian Asian Association of WA.

The Awards are open for entries from small businesses, individuals and organisations from across Western Australia and provide recognition and encouragement for achievements and business excellence.

This year's 26 awards include the following categories for entrants to consider such as:

- **Westways Visual Communication & Worldwide Printing Solutions Best Marketing Award**
- **Mustera Property Group Most Innovative Enterprise**
- **TCF WA Most Creative Award**
- **Qbit Technology Award**
- **Community First, Volunteer Task Force & Care Options Achievement Award**
- **Designedge Fashion Incubator Karl Farrell Inspiration Award**
- **Perth Airport Volunteer Of The Year**
- **Southern Gazette Community Spirit**
- **Aaragon Construction Management Environment Award**
- **Social Innovation Development Non-Profit Organisation Initiatives Award**
- **Belmont Forum Best Retail Business**
- **Country Wide Insurance Brokers Business Management Award**
- **Business & Professional Women WA & BPW Business Incubator Business Woman Of The Year Award**
- **City Of Belmont Best New Business**
- **Hanssen Project Management Spirit Of Australia Award**
- **Nab Home-Based Business Award**
- **Friends Of Belmont BEC WA Tourism Award**
- **Business News Young Entrepreneur Award**
- **Perth Airport Indigenous Business Of The Year Award**
- **FA Concept Store Fashion Industry Award**



- **Telstra Business Centre Belmont Customer Service Award**
- **BEC Global International Trade Award**
- **Racebreed Australia Wa Racing Industry Award**
- **The Australian Asian Association Of WA Business Migrant Of The Year**
- **Watering Concepts Enterprise Of The Year**
- **Belmont Rotary Business Person Of The Year**

Potential entrants will be able to access a wide range of support in preparing their submission that includes Free Award Entry Kits, Workshops, Webinars and access to Award Mentors who can assist with tips in preparing award submissions to impress the judging panel.

To celebrate the 24th Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards 2017, nominees and other special guests will be invited to the 'Night of Stars' event that will take place in the Ballroom of the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre on Wednesday, October 25th, 6pm - 8.30pm.

For more information on the awards please contact awards@belmontbec.com or phone: (08) 9479 3777 or visit www.belmontbec.com/awards

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