

**Technology Assisting Disability WA (TADWA) winner of
Telstra Business Centre Belmont
'Customer Service Award'
In 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards**

Technology Assisting Disability WA (TADWA) was one of many Western Australian small businesses awarded in the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards on the 22nd of October 2015. The winners were showcased at the 'Night of Stars Event' in the 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) and Arcaro Couture (designer Angelina Arcaro). Thank you to all models and Danique De Kat from the Metro Modelling and Dance Academy in Cockburn.

Winner of the 'Customer Service Award' was TADWA. Commencing in 1984, a small number of Telecom employees banded together, volunteering their time and skills to modify communication equipment to enable people with hearing or vision impairment to better utilise the telephone. These days Technology Assisting Disability WA (or TADWA for short) use their skills to design and modify a full range of devices, appliances, and equipment which perform the most necessary tasks for daily living. Most importantly, TADWA provide solutions for independence for people with a disability.

Presenter of the award Mombi Sakala from Telstra Business Centre Belmont said, "The Telstra Business Centre Belmont is here to help local business with the complete range of Telstra telecommunications solutions. Located at 138 Abernethy Road in Belmont, we have working technology on display and an experienced team available to offer professional advice or we can meet with you face to face at your business. We are looking forward to helping you improve your business efficiencies, improve your customer interactions and increase your bottom line. We thoroughly congratulate TADWA on their win!"

For further details on all winners of the 22nd Belmont Small Business Awards 2015 visit www.belmontbec.com/awards

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