



MEDIA RELEASE

Designedge Innovation Festival supports the 28th Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards!

The Awards provide recognition and encouragement for small business achievements and will be open for small businesses, individuals and organisations in Belmont, Perth metropolitan area and across regional Western Australia from June 30th until the 20th of September 2021.

More than 97% of all businesses in WA are small businesses
(<https://www.smallbusiness.wa.gov.au/about/small-business-sector/facts-and-statistics-2020>)
and this sector is of key importance as WA moves through unprecedented times.

The 17th designedge innovation Festival 2021 runs between July and September and includes events, forums, workshops, webinars, and networking being staged in Belmont, Perth Western Australia, nationally and globally online.

Over 100 events will be held during the festival, bringing together cyber security experts, global business entrepreneurs, innovators, designers, creatives, industry associations and trade councils. The 2021 festival's themes are cyber security, technology, sustainability, creativity, and small business. This year's festival is supported by a range of sponsors that includes the Australian Government Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources through the Cyber Security Business Connect and Protect Program, Belmont BEC, TCFWA, Fortix and Delance Swiss Watches,

"Recognising a business for its innovation, creativity, new products or services is quite rewarding for us at the Festival", says Irving Lane, Chair, TCFWA. "Having a point of difference in a saturated market can make your break your business, and we are proud to be supporting the Innovation Award at the 28th Belmont and Western Australian Business Awards this year". Sponsor Award Message <https://vimeo.com/573897397>

To be eligible to enter this award category, the small business can be located either within the City of Belmont or greater Western Australia. Potential entrants for the Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards will be able to access a wide range of support in preparing their submission that includes Free Award Entry Kits, Award Workshops, Webinars, and access to Award Mentors who can assist with tips in preparing award submissions to impress the judging panel.

Winners will be announced at the 'Night of Stars' event that will take place in the Ballroom of the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre on Thursday 28th October 2021, 6pm - 8.30pm.

The 28th Belmont & Western Australian Small Business Awards are supported by major sponsors City of Belmont and the Textile Clothing Footwear Resource Centre of WA and coordinated by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre Inc.

For more information on how to enter the awards and other categories, please contact awards@belmontbec.com or phone: (08) 9479 3777 or view www.belmontbec.com/awards

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