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The Australian Asian Association of WA and Hong Kong Australia Business Association WA Chapter supports the 25th 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.

This is the first year for Hong Kong Australia Business Association WA as a sponsor for the Belmont & WA Small Business Awards. In conjunction with the Australian Asian Association of WA, Hong Kong Australia Business Association WA will support the Business Migrant of the Year Award. To be eligible to enter this award category, businesses can be located anywhere in Western Australia and must highlight their achievements to business in Australia.

Mel Fialho from the Australian Asian Association said, "The Australian Asian Association has been operating for over 60 years and has under its umbrella, members from various CaLD communities. They are committed to supporting and providing culturally appropriate services to the various communities. They also work in partnership with various ethnic communities to address the needs of their members, to enable them to feel included and thereby make a positive contribution to society."

Winnie Lai Hadad from the Hong Kong Australia Business Association of WA, said, "Our mission is to promote global co-operation communication exchange and synergy and to provide a unified voice that will enhance business and investment opportunities."

Potential entrants for the Belmont and WA Small Business Awards 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. Entries are open until 5pm September 25th.

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 Wednesday, October 24th, 6pm - 8.30pm.

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

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