

NOMINEE

NAME: _____

PROFESSION/JOB TITLE: _____

COMPANY/ORGANISATION: _____

ADDRESS FOR CORRESPONDENCE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

BUSINESS: _____ HOME: _____

MOBILE: _____

EMAIL: _____

PROPOSER

NAME: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

The purpose of the Awards is to showcase and celebrate achievement among the female business and professional community in the Highland area across all sectors. As well as highlighting the ever-increasing contribution of women to the economic success of the Highlands, the awards are aimed at identifying appropriate role models to inspire and motivate others.

CATEGORIES

Please tick appropriate box(es), you can enter more than one category

a) HBWC Business Woman of the Year (employed or self employed)

This award amalgamates the Professional Business Woman and Business Woman of the Year awards and is open to all club members whether employed or self employed.

b) HBWC Most Enterprising Business of the Year

This award is open to all club members who have developed a new business regardless of the period of time they have been in business. Previous winners include Denise Barras of Les Enfant Nurseries Ltd (2007), Emma Day of Highland Biosciences Ltd (2008) and Anni Cole-Hamilton of Moray Firth School (2009).

c) HBWC Young Business of the Year

This award is open to women - existing members and non-members alike - and is a new category for 2010. Only women of business entities which have been trading for less than 3 years are eligible to apply.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY, 4 DECEMBER 2009

d) HBWC Member of the Year

This is a further new category for 2010. This award will allow members of the club to vote for an existing member who has achieved significant success, who may have broken down barriers or overcome challenges in order to achieve that success. More information regarding this category will be available on the website along with details on how to vote.

THE APPLICATION:

With the completed nomination form, please include a statement in support of your application (maximum 2 sides of A4) which should address the following, where appropriate:-

What type of business?

When did you commence employment/launch your business?

What are your main achievements in this time?

How have you used knowledge and skills to create business success?

What problems have you overcome?

Who do you see as your customers and why?

What image do you seek to portray and how do you achieve this?

What contribution does the business make to the local economy?

How do you monitor results/success?

How do you stay ahead?

Outline benefits of networking and knowledge sharing you have experienced.

Where applicable, how has being a member of HBWC contributed to your success/assisted you with your business?

You are also encouraged to send copies of any business materials, eg brochures or other media, which are relevant to your application.

Please note that by entering these awards, all short-listed candidates agree to attend the HBWC Annual Awards Dinner on Friday, 12 March 2010 at the Drumossie Hotel, Inverness, when the winners will be announced and the presentations made. The winner of the Most Enterprising Business category agrees to represent the Club at the Association of Scottish Business Women's (ASB) Award Dinner later in the year. Also all entrants for the HBWC Young Business of the Year are encouraged to apply for the ASB's version of this category at the ASB Award Dinner.

- It is intended that there will be media publicity for short-listed entrants prior to the Dinner and for winners after the event
- Each award winner will receive an engraved memento and a prize to the value of £500
- The Judging Panel will consist of a representative of each of the sponsors along with the Club President, Pamela Looper. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES WILL BE FINAL.**
- Please post 3 copies of the Nomination Form with any accompanying documentation to:

Pamela Looper
70 Culduthel Road
Inverness
IV2 4HH

Alternatively, e-mail your application to pamela@tuminds.com (if submitting your application by e-mail please post any accompanying documentation).