





## **30th** Annual Business Excellence Awards

# **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

**Presented by the Kelowna Chamber of Commerce** 



For 2017 we reviewed and refined our categories! Going forward we will award six core categories annually, plus four special awards\* that will rotate year to year.

2017 AWARD CATEGORIES	
Rising Star Business of the Year	A new business that has been in operation for less than 3 years and
	is not a franchisee.
<b>Small Business of the Year</b>	1-15 employees.
Mid-size Business of the Year	16-50 employees.
Large Business of the Year	51+ employees.
Young Entrepreneur Award	An entrepreneurial individual, aged 40 or under who has been in
	business for at least 3 years, demonstrating exceptional leadership.
<b>Business Leader Award</b>	An individual displaying outstanding leadership in the business
	community. (nominated via committee)
* Social Impact Award	A business, society or organization that has demonstrated significant
	social impact within the community.
* Excellence in Agriculture Award	A business that demonstrates exceptional practices and
	advancements in the agricultural industry.
* Marketing Campaign of the Year	A business or organization that has successfully executed an
	integrated marketing campaign which ensures that they "walk the
	talk" when it comes to the campaign's success.
* Arts & Entertainment Achievement	An individual, business, organization or a particular event that
Award	contributes to a vibrant community by celebrating arts, culture
	and/or heritage.

TO NOMINATE, PLEASE COMPLETE THE REVERSE SIDE



### **Deadline for Nominations:** 4:00 pm, Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> 2017

Completed nomination forms can be submitted in person or by mail to: 544 Harvey Ave., Kelowna, B.C. V1Y 6C9 or by email (allison@kelownachamber.org).

NOMINEE:	
Business Name:	Email:
Individual Name:	Telephone:
	Complete if known:
Address:	·
Award Category:	Years in Operation: # of Employees:
	Complete if different than above:
NOMINATOR:	
Business Name:	Email:
Individual Name:	Telephone:

### **General Criteria for Nominees**

- Business Awards are open to companies, organizations, enterprises and not-for-profits within Central Okanagan. Nominations for individuals will be accepted for *Young Entrepreneur*. *Business Leader* nominations will be made by select committee.
- Businesses must be in operation for three (3) years with the exception of the *Rising Star Category*.
- Businesses are eligible for nomination in as many categories as applicable.
- Past year's award *recipients* may not be nominated in the same category for one year following their win, but are eligible for other categories.
- Past year's award *finalists* may be nominated in the same category or any other category in consecutive years.
- Considerations for judging will include operation management, financial health, corporate social responsibility, marketing strategies, and HR policies.

#### **SAVE THE DATES!**

Thursday, June 22 | 5:00-7:00pm: Nominee Reception & Judging Kick – Off Party Tuesday, Sept 12 | 5:00-7:00pm: Semi-Finalist Reception & Finalist Announcement September 13-22 (by appointment): Site Visits/Judging Interviews conducted Thursday October 12 | 5:00-9:00pm: Awards Dinner & Ceremony

For more information, please contact Allison Conroy at 250-469-7351.





