

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Nominate now for the 2009 Belmont Small Business Awards!**

The call for entries has commenced, and with more than twenty award categories this year, there is an energetic buzz surrounding the awards. Enter your own business or nominate another business that you feel deserves one of the prestigious awards.

Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (Belmont BEC) provides **complimentary** Award Information Sessions every Tuesday at 12.30pm and also free Business Award submission kits are available to assist you with getting your submission prepared. The Belmont BEC also have access to some business savvy University Graduates who are willing to assist nominees with their award submission.

Some of the Categories in the 2009 awards, and their relevant sponsors include:

- MOST INNOVATIVE ENTERPRISE - sponsored by Australian Network Management
- KARL FARRELL INSPIRATION AWARD - sponsored by Designedge Fashion Incubator
- CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARD - sponsored by Westpac
- BEST MARKETING AWARD - sponsored by Westways Colorgrafix
- VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR - sponsored by Friends of Belmont BEC
- BEST NEW BUSINESS – sponsored by the City of Belmont
- BEST STAFF TRAINING AWARD - sponsored by Communicare Family and Employment Services
- BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AWARD - sponsored by Create Enterprises
- INDIGENOUS BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD - sponsored by Perth Airport
- YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR AWARD - sponsored by Curtin Business School
- ENVIRONMENT AWARD - sponsored by Belmont Forum
- BEST TOURISM AWARD - sponsored by Assured Ascot Quays Apartment Hotel
- BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR - sponsored by Belmont BEC & TCFWA

The Belmont Small Business awards, which have been running since 1994, provide a great opportunity for small and growing enterprises to be recognised for the hard work they do in putting their business ideas into practice. Many award categories are open to businesses State wide.

Previous winners have found the awards a fantastic launching pad to bigger and better opportunities in business, and this year's awards will be no different. Winners will be announced at the annual "Night of Stars" award presentation which will be held on Wednesday October 14 at the Reading Cinemas in Belmont in true Oscars fashion.

The Small Business awards are organised by the Belmont BEC, a non-profit community association which provides business counselling and guidance to persons wishing to start a new business or grow an existing business.

For more information on how to nominate a business for the 2009 Belmont Small Business Awards or to book to attend the lavish event, call the Belmont BEC on (08) 9479 3777, email [awards@belmontbec.com](mailto:awards@belmontbec.com) or visit the website <http://www.belmontbec.com/awards2009>

Closing date for entries is 5pm Wednesday, September 30th 2009.

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