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Our role as representatives is to do everything we can to maintain an inclusive, thriving economy in Alberta.

Program

7:00 PM – Cocktail Reception & Tapas
Kick off the evening in style with gourmet tapas and cocktails while walking the red carpet. Enjoy finalist interviews and networking with Alberta's top business leaders.

8:00 PM – Awards Program
Celebrate the best of Alberta's business community as we honour this year's finalists and announce the recipients of the Awards of Distinction.

9:30 PM – Winners Circle
Toast to success! Mingle with award recipients and enjoy a vibrant celebration of Alberta's business excellence.















ALBERTA BUSINESS AWARDS OF DISTINCTION

The Alberta Business Awards of Distinction recognize businesses/organizations that have demonstrated outstanding achievement and contribution to their community while having developed business acumen & management practices to ensure long-term sustainability. To date, more than 404 companies have been named Alberta Business Award of Distinction recipients. There are currently 12 diverse award categories, with an additional Alberta's Best of Business Award.

The Alberta Business Awards of Distinction was initially created by Alberta Economic Development and Tourism in 1992 during a merger of the Alberta Export Achievement Awards and the Alberta Small Business Owner of the Year Awards. The Government of Alberta originally presented the Alberta Business Awards of Distinction in the fall of each year from 1992 to 1995.

In 1996, the Alberta Chambers of Commerce took over the management and presentation of the Awards, and in 2017, took over full ownership of the program. The Alberta Business Awards of Distinction are 100 percent funded by the Alberta Chambers of Commerce and the generous support of its partners.



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BEST OF BUSINESS

34
YEARS

12
AWARDS

404
WINNERS

36
FINALISTS

232
SUBMISSIONS

185
ATTENDEES

293
NOMINEES

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Get ready for an unforgettable evening as Ryan Jespersen, host of Real Talk, takes the stage as emcee for the Alberta Business Awards of Distinction Gala. Known for his engaging style and dynamic presence, Ryan will bring energy, insight, and entertainment to a celebration recognizing Alberta's exceptional business leaders and organizations.

Are you ready?

Winning recipients will be featured in a live on-stage interview, offering a unique platform to showcase their accomplishments, elevate their profile, and connect with a broader audience.



Ryan Jespersen

Podcast host

Real Talk
RYAN JESPERSEN

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Celebrate Business Excellence!

September 23, 2026

Leduc, AB

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BUSINESS INNOVATION

Levven Electronics Ltd. (Edmonton)
Local Laundry (Calgary)
Sarcomere Dynamics Inc. (St. Albert)

COMMUNITY ATTRACTION

Century Mile Racetrack and Casino (Edmonton)
Charmed (Lethbridge)
KDM Helping Hands (St. Albert)
Lakeland Co-op (Bonnyville)

EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

Aventura Marketing Inc. (Edmonton)
Goodwill Industries of Alberta (Edmonton)
Milk Jar Candle Co. (Calgary)

FEMALE ENTREPRENEUR

Audiology Innovations (Calgary)
Feet Terrific Nursing Foot Care (Red Deer)
Mountain View Events Ltd. (Mountain View County)

INDIGENOUS BUSINESS

Asokan Generational Developments (Fort McMurray)
Backwoods Energy Services (Edmonton)
Sage Beauty (Wetaskawin)
Thomas Kanata Inc. (Redwood Meadows)

MARKETING

Airdrie Puppy Pals (Airdrie)
ALCO Energy Solutions (Edmonton)
Bailey Books (St. Albert)
SIMPLY HUMIC (Castor)
The Headroom (Grande Prairie)

MENTORSHIP

Dyck & Walker-Dean Chartered Professional Accountants (Cold Lake)
Fit+Fierce Inc. (St. Albert)
Strike Group (Calgary)

SMALL BUSINESS

Bird Creatives Ltd. (Calgary)
Dear Dog Treats (Fort Saskatchewan)
Local Laundry (Calgary)
Mountain View Events Ltd. (Mountain View County)
PASS Electric Inc. (Red Deer)

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ALBERTA'S BEST OF BUSINESS
MVE The Heritage Centre
(Mountain View County)

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Alberta's Best of Business Award of Distinction Winner

THE HERITAGE CENTRE
MVE

Built on vision, perseverance, and community spirit, The Heritage Centre has become a destination for celebrations, connections, and meaningful economic impact in rural Alberta.



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WINNER

This prestigious award is presented to an Alberta business that has demonstrated achievements in leadership and growth.

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that has achieved outstanding results
through original innovative strategies.
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LEVVEN ELECTRONICS LTD.



Levven

Levven Electronics is rethinking how homes are built. Its innovative system reduces wiring, lowers construction costs, shortens build times and makes smart home technology more accessible to homeowners. With more than 7,500 home installations and 650,000 devices deployed across North America, they are helping major builder's save up to 30 % in electrical labour while reducing copper use by as much as 39% per home.

LOCAL LAUNDRY



Local Laundry

Based in Calgary and proudly Canadian, this apparel company designs and manufactures Canadian made clothing while delivering end-to-end merchandise solutions for sports organizations, businesses, nonprofits and events across the country. From leading merchandise operations for Calgary Wild FC (a professional soccer club) to being selected as a volunteer apparel sponsor for the CFL Grey Cup, it has become a standout example of a purpose-driven brand, helping raise more than $400,000 for Canadian charities along the way.

SARCOMERE DYNAMICS INC.



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Sarcomere Dynamics Inc. is an Alberta-based deep-tech company advancing robotics and artificial intelligence. Their innovative robotic hands and control systems help automate complex hand based tasks that have traditionally been beyond the reach of automation, enabling safer and more productive operations in manufacturing and logistics. With technology being evaluated by global industry leaders such as Google, DeepMind, Magna to mention a few, they are positioning Alberta at the forefront of next generation robotics innovation.

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Business Innovation Award of Distinction Winner

Levven®

By rethinking traditional electrical infrastructure, this Alberta business is helping shape the future of homebuilding through innovative technology that improves efficiency, affordability, and sustainability.



Recognizes a business/organization that has achieved outstanding results through original innovative strategies.

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WINNER

BUSINESS INNOVATION
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Levven

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Recognizes a business/organization that has had a positive impact/influence on a community by making that community more attractive.



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CENTURY MILE RACETRACK AND CASINO



Century Mile Racetrack and Casino is a year-round vibrant destination that brings people together through entertainment, live horse racing, community events and charitable initiatives. Home to Western Canada's only premier one-mile horse racing racetrack and prestigious Canadian Derby, it attracts thousands of visitors each year, drives tourism and economic activity, and helps sustain Alberta's horse racing, agricultural and equine industries.

CHARMED



Founded as a custom playhouse builder, Charmed has grown into a nationally recognized creator of immersive fairytale-inspired cottages, resorts and experiences. Combining artisan craftmanship, innovative design and storytelling, Charmed transforms classic tales into memorable destinations where families can connect, explore and create lasting memories.

KDM HELPING HANDS



Founded on the belief that no child should feel invisible, KDM Helping Hands has spent more than 15 years supporting children & families. They have supported more than 10,000 students across Edmonton, St. Albert and surrounding areas. From creating magical Christmas experiences in local schools to building a salon at Ronald McDonald House and welcoming spaces in local hospitals, they bring dignity, hope and a sense of belonging to children and families when they need it most.

LAKELAND CO-OP



Lakeland Co-op is a member-owned retail co-operative serving communities across the Lakeland Region for more than 40 years. It provides essential services, supports local agriculture and food security through grocery delivery to Cold Lake First Nations communities, creates stable careers, reinvests profits into community programs, charities and major regional events that include Fuel Good Day. They were the proud sponsor of the 2026 Alberta Winter Games that attracted more than 7,000 athletes!

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Community Attraction Award of Distinction Winner

CO-OP

Lakeland

Driven by community ownership and local impact, Lakeland Co-op contributes to a strong regional economy through job creation, community investment, and trusted service across multiple sectors.



Recognizes a business/organization that has had a positive impact/influence on a community.

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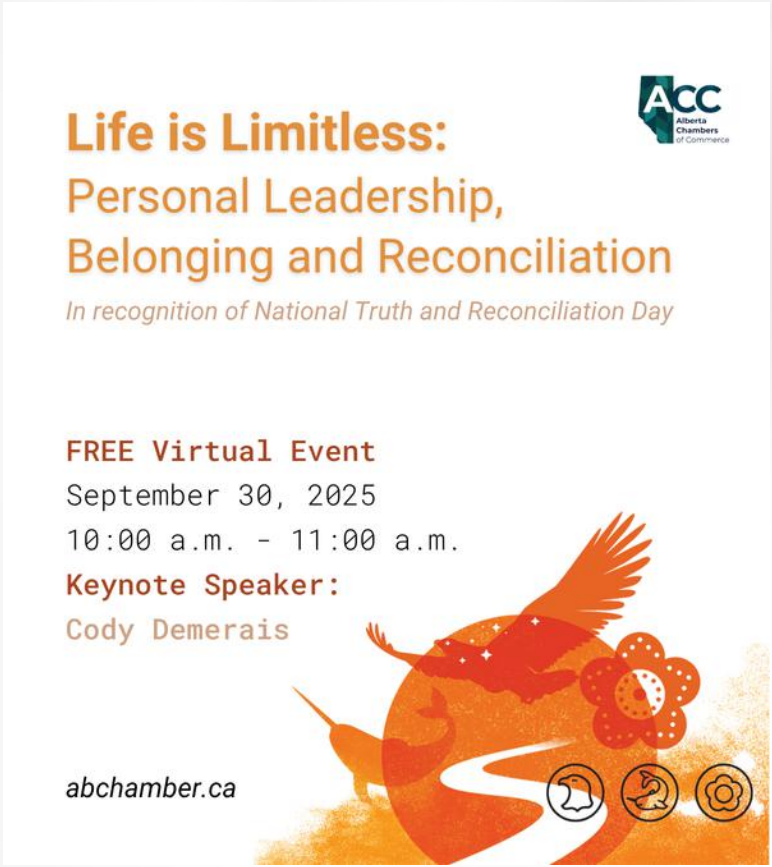
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AVENTURA MARKETING INC.



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Aventura Marketing Inc. is helping redefine inclusion in the marketing industry by creating opportunities for newcomers and under-represented talent while helping brands connect authentically with diverse communities. Through structured mentorship, leadership development and partnerships with organizations such as EMCN and Prospect Human Services that remove barriers to employment, Aventura has created a workplace where more than 90% leadership roles are filled from within, proving that inclusive practices can drive both individual and business growth.

GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF ALBERTA



Goodwill Industries of Alberta

Goodwill Industries of Alberta has created meaningful employment opportunities for individuals facing disabilities and barriers to work. With a 60-year legacy and supported by donations from Albertans across the province, Goodwill combines skills development, career pathways and inclusive workplaces with innovative circular economy programs that repair, repurpose and up-cycle donated goods. They create opportunities for people while diverting millions of kilograms of material from landfills. Goodwill is demonstrating how inclusion can strengthen both communities and the environment.

MILK JAR CANDLE CO.



Milkjar

Since lighting its first wick nearly a decade ago, Milk Jar Candle Company has built a business driven by purpose, community and inclusion. With a third of its team identifying as living with a disability, they have built an inclusive workplace rooted in accessibility, belonging and opportunity. They've grown from a solo founder to a team of 18 and over 700 retail partners while maintaining a 95% employee retention rate. They have contributed more than $500,000 to inclusive initiatives across Canada and beyond. They champion broader adoption of inclusive hiring practices by connecting Calgary businesses with resources and support needed to create more equitable opportunities for all.

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Equity, Diversity & Inclusion Award of Distinction Winner

Goodwill Industries of Alberta



Since 1963 Goodwill has helped provide meaningful employment for those with disabilities or barriers to the workforce. This is made possible because of the amazing donations of clothing or used household items by Albertans near and far. For over 60 years, Goodwill continues to provide opportunity, service and GOOD.

Recognizes a business/organization with outstanding achievement in practice, events, applied research, policy, programs, or other activities that foster equitable, sustainable and measurable change.

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EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION
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WINNER

Goodwill
Industries of Alberta

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AUDIOLOGY INNOVATIONS



Audiology Innovations

Dr. Carrie Scarff, founder of Audiology Innovations, is a respected leader in hearing healthcare who brings both professional expertise and a personal understanding of hearing loss to her patients. For over 20 years, she has grown the company from a single clinic into one of Calgary and Red Deer's most trusted independent hearing care providers, with seven locations and a talented team of professionals. Through her expertise, vision, commitment to innovative client-focused services, Dr. Scarff has helped establish Audiology Innovations as a leader in compassionate hearing healthcare.

FEET TERRIFIC NURSING FOOT CARE



FeetTerrific NURSING FOOTCARE

Founder Jessa April Fiel, turned firsthand healthcare experience into an award-winning business serving thousands of Albertans. Feet Terrific Nursing Foot Care is a medical foot care clinic in Red Deer, serving Central Alberta through clinic and mobile services. After building her career from immigrant caregiver to registered nurse, she identified a critical gap in accessible foot care and founded a clinic that now serves more than 3,500 active clients. Through innovation, perseverance and compassionate care, Jessa is helping vulnerable Albertans maintain their mobility, dignity and independence.

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THE HERITAGE CENTRE MVE

Guided by a lifelong dream, Debora Rice-Salomons built a thriving business rooted in vision, resilience and community. After investing more than $1,2 million of her own capital and leading the restoration of a historic property, she successfully navigated the challenges of launching a rural event venue and overcoming the impacts of the pandemic. Today, The Heritage Centre reflects her leadership beyond business success through initiatives that have raised more than $190,000 for community causes and creates opportunities for local entrepreneurs, artisans and nonprofits to thrive.

2026

Female Entrepreneur Award of Distinction Winner

Founded by Debora Rice-Salomons, The Heritage Centre is a beautifully restored rural Alberta destination where unforgettable events, community connection, and local impact come together.



Recognizes a female entrepreneur for outstanding business achievements and meaningful contributions to the Alberta economy.

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FEMALE ENTREPRENEUR
AWARD OF DISTINCTION
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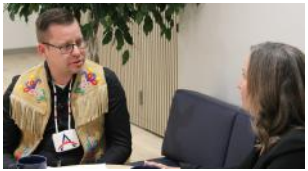
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ÂSOKAN GENERATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS LTD.



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Founded by Willow Lake Metis Nation member Justin Bourque Âsokan Generational Developments is helping redefine economic reconciliation through Indigenous ownership and partnership. Guided by the Seven Sacred Teachings, they work alongside Indigenous Nations and industry to create sustainable, community-led opportunities that build long term prosperity. They have supported approximately $3 billion transactions benefitting more than 40 Alberta communities.

BACKWOODS ENERGY SERVICES



BACKWOODS ENERGY SERVICES

Owned by the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation, Backwoods Energy Services, is one of Western Canada's leading energy and infrastructure contractors. They operate across Alberta, British Columbia and Saskatchewan. As the largest employer of Nation members and the Nation's largest independent source of income, they demonstrate how Indigenous ownership can drive economic growth, community prosperity and long-term self-determination.

SAGE BEAUTY



Sage Beauty

Founded by Danielle Baptiste, an Indigenous entrepreneur on the belief that confidence and opportunity can change lives, Sage Beauty is dedicated to empowering others through education and entrepreneurship. By offering professional beauty services, hands-on certification programs and ongoing mentorship, they are helping indigenous women and aspiring artists gain in-demand skills, launch home-based businesses, secure employment and build sustainable sources of income.

THOMAS KANATA INC.



THOMAS b.a.C

Thomas Kanata Inc. is an Indigenous-owned industrial contractor that has grown into a leader in the sector, delivering large scale construction and maintenance projects across Canada. Owned and operated in partnership with members of Frog Lake First Nation, they create career opportunities for indigenous workers, with one project employing more than 75% of its workforce from local Treaty 4 and Treaty 6 territories. They have grown into a nationally recognized contractor with revenue exceeding $220 million.

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Indigenous Business Award of Distinction Winner

ÂSOKAN
GENERATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS LTD

Âsokan Generational Developments is an Indigenous-led company that facilitates equity partnerships between Indigenous Nations/Organizations & industry. Âsokan has contributed approximately $3 billion in facilitated transactions benefiting 40+ Alberta communities, with Indigenous governance & long-term community prosperity at the centre of every deal.



Recognizes a business/organization that is a major economic driver for First Nations, Metis or Inuit communities, advancing community interests.

INDIGENOUS BUSINESS
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ÂSOKAN
GENERATIONAL DEVELOPMENTS LTD

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Recognizes a business/organization that developed and implemented a successful marketing initiative that has a demonstrable impact on business outcomes.

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AIRDRIE PUPPY PALS



Welcome to Airdrie Puppy Pals! We are a locally owned dog wellness centre proudly part of the Airdrie community since 2014. Led by Certified Dog Behaviour Consultant Nikki Nordick and a dedicated team of dog care specialists, we offer enrichment-based daycare, group classes, private training, and behaviour support built on the values of safety, family, and community.

ALCO ENERGY SOLUTIONS



ALCO Energy Solutions is a leader in engineering, procurement, and fabrication of energy solutions. We are a privately owned Canadian company headquartered in Edmonton, Alberta. Our legacy spans over 50 years of unparalleled expertise in natural gas processing.

Forged through long-term relationships with our valued customers, technology partners and suppliers, ALCO Energy Solutions has successfully designed and fabricated energy solutions globally.

BAILEY BOOKS



Bailey Books is a father & daughter owned used book shop in St Albert specializing in signed, first editions, and book repairs. They have a passion for community and sustainability and host several monthly book clubs as well as regular community events and fundraisers.

SIMPLY HUMIC



SIMPLY HUMIC was formed to aggregate several agricultural ventures under one corporate entity. One key venture was regular farming, while there was also contracted farm services (seeding, harvesting, hauling, general farm services). They also analyze agricultural technology (containerized garden systems) for commercial deployment. This latest subsidiary acquires, processes, packages and distributes raw Alberta Humic to numerous vertical market sectors in 3 tiers.

THE HEADROOM



The Headroom Salon Company is an award-winning salon and education-focused organization committed to elevating careers in the beauty industry through mentorship, professional development, and business excellence. Through innovative training programs and a strong culture of leadership, it empowers beauty professionals to build sustainable, rewarding, and profitable careers.

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Marketing Award of Distinction Winner

SIMPLY HUMIC

From farming and agricultural services to fencing technology and soil health solutions, SIMPLY HUMIC is advancing innovation across multiple sectors while helping growers improve productivity and long-term sustainability.



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WINNER

Recognizes a business/organization that developed and implemented a successful marketing initiative that has a demonstrable impact.

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SIMPLY HUMIC

Faced with a challenge of marketing a product few consumers understood, Simply Humic built its strategy around education, not advertising. By training garden centres, empowering industry professionals and simplifying the science behind soil health, they successfully introduced a new category of soil amendment to homeowners and growers across Western Canada. Despite entering the market late in its first season, retailers sold an average of 65% of the product supplied, exceeding the company's initial 50% target. This grassroots approach transformed awareness into demand, proving that knowledge can be the most powerful marketing tool of all.






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MENTORSHIP

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Recognizes a business/organization that exemplifies professionalism, and dedication to learning, and endorses a distinct strategy or program that promotes mentorship.

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DYCK & WALKER-DEAN CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS



For more than 20 years Dyck & Walker-Dean Chartered Professional Accountants has combined professional excellence with a deep commitment to developing future talent in the Lakeland region. Through practicum placements, CPA mentorship, tuition support and hands-on learning opportunities, the firm has helped students and emerging professionals build successful careers close to home. Its mentorship culture has transformed interns into leaders, employees into partners and aspiring accountants into mentors, creating a legacy of professional growth, leadership and community impact.

FIT+FIERCE INC.



Fit+Fierce® is a personal development program that has been empowering girls for more than 16 years, through fitness, mentorship and personal development programming. Its structured leadership pathway guides participants from members to become mentors and coaches, creating opportunities to build confidence, leadership skills and real-world experience. One participant joined the program as a Grade 6 student, progressed into mentorship roles and today serves as lead coach. By creating a culture where girls support, lead and learn from one another Fit+Fierce® is building confident young women and future community leaders.

STRIKE GROUP



Strike Group is an energy and industrial services company commissioning solutions for projects across Western Canada. For more than two decades, they have paired operational excellence with a strong commitment to developing people. Through their Management Trainee Program and Green Hand mentoring initiative, they have created pathways for employees to grow from entry and apprenticeship roles into leadership positions including president and chief operating officer. By investing in mentorship, skills development and succession planning, Strike Group is helping build the next generation of industry leaders.

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Mentorship Award of Distinction Winner



Through trusted advice, strong community partnerships, and a commitment to mentorship, Dyck & Walker-Dean LLP is helping build a stronger future for clients, professionals, and communities across the Lakeland region.

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Recognizes the contributions that small business owners provide to Alberta's economy. Because the SME industry plays such a crucial role in Alberta's economy, we want to recognize the entrepreneurs who work hard in making their small businesses a success.

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BIRD CREATIVES LTD.



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Bird Creatives gets right alongside you with your projects, your passions, and your people. When you have a need, we're the multi-talented and innovative friend to call. Whether you're a business, nonprofit, artist or entrepreneur, you are part of our creative economy community, and we're ready to find the strategy that works for you.

DEAR DOG TREATS



DEAR DOG TREATS

Founded in Fort Saskatchewan, Dear Dog Treats creates premium natural treats and chews made without added salt, spices, or preservatives. What began as a small family business has grown into an award-winning brand carried in more than 160 retail locations across Canada, while continuing to support local rescues, community initiatives, and projects that give back.

LOCAL LAUNDRY



Local Laundry

Based in Calgary, Alberta, we are a Canadian apparel company specializing in both retail and custom merchandise programs. We design and manufacture Canadian-made clothing and provide end-to-end merchandise solutions for sports organizations, businesses, non-profits, and events across Canada. Committed to giving back, our retail campaigns have helped raise more than $400,000 for Canadian charities while supporting communities nationwide.

MOUNTAIN VIEW EVENTS LTD.



THE HERITAGE CENTRE MVE

The Heritage Centre — a fairytale rural Alberta Wedding and Event Venue, located in Mountain View County (NW of Calgary), where a lovingly restored 1903 homestead and 1904 barn have been transformed into an elegant, chandelier-lit destination for weddings, corporate events, and community celebrations. What began as a 30-year dream became a deeply personal mission: to create a place where people could gather, celebrate, and feel something truly magical.

PASS ELECTRIC INC.



PASS ELECTRIC INC.

Locally owned, family run, electrical contracting company proudly serving Central Alberta since 2006!

Our company started through a vision of two brothers, with guidance from their father who is a Master Electrician.

Our Vision is “to be Central Alberta's most trusted electrical partner, setting the standard for excellence.”

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Small Business Award of Distinction Winner

Local Laundry

With a commitment to Canadian manufacturing, community investment, and customer service excellence, this Calgary-based company is redefining merchandise solutions while creating lasting social and economic impact.



Recognizes the contributions that small business owners provide to Alberta's economy.

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March 6
Nominations Close

April 1
Submissions Close

April 7 - 30
Judging

May 19
Finalists Announced

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