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# Finalists Named for 2018 Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton Business Excellence Awards

The finalists for the 2018 Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton Business Excellence Awards have been unveiled – and they represent an impressive array of business talent from across Greater Moncton.

The list of finalists – chosen by an independent panel of judges – was released today by the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton (CCGM) at a press conference held at the Wingate by Wyndham Hotel in Dieppe.

"Once again, the Greater Moncton business community responded with a tremendous participation in this year's Business Excellence Awards," John Wishart, CEO of the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton said. "71 businesses submitted the nomination package to be considered as a finalist."

"The quality of nominations this year speaks highly to the overall excellence in our region's business community."

The Awards will include a new category this year – Healthy Workplace – sponsored by Moncton-based Organigram Inc. This new award will be presented to an organization or a company judged on commitment and effort to offer a better place to work to its employees via programs, raising awareness and a supportive environment. The 33<sup>rd</sup> annual Business Excellence Awards will be held Oct. 24 at Casino NB. Tickets are available through the GMCC website: <u>www.gmcc.nb.ca</u>, by emailing <u>events@gmcc.nb.ca</u> or calling 506 857-2883.

Presenting sponsor this year is RBC Wealth Management with individual award categories sponsored by Brainworks, Brunswick News Inc., Enbridge Gas New Brunswick, the Greater Moncton Roméo LeBlanc International Airport, municipalities of Moncton, Dieppe and Riverview, NBCC, Opportunities New Brunswick, Organigram Inc., Scotiabank, and Wilson Insurance.

The finalists for this year's awards, listed in alphabetical order, are:

## **Excellence in Business**

- Assomption Life
- Bonté Foods
- Rogers Communications Canada Inc.

## **Excellence in Business (Small and Medium Enterprise)**

- Colliers International New Brunswick
- Croisière Shediac Bay Cruises
- Sonic Image Inc.

## **Community Service**

- Assomption Life
- Greater Moncton Roméo LeBlanc International Airport
- Medavie Blue Cross

## **Emerging Business**

- Amber Effect Events
- Distillerie Fils du Roy Inc.
- Sonic Image Inc.

## **Environmental Excellence**

- Accor Hotels Global Reservation Centre
- Greater Moncton Roméo LeBlanc International Airport
- Rayan Environmental Solutions

## **Healthy Workplace**

- Casino New Brunswick
- Enbridge Gas New Brunswick
- Times & Transcript Brunswick News Inc.

## **Inclusive Hiring**

- Casino New Brunswick
- Multicultural Association of the Greater Moncton Area (MAGMA)
- Stantec Consulting

## Innovation

- Colliers International New Brunswick
- EduCode Canada
- FITIV MotiFIT Fitness Inc.
- Medavie Blue Cross

## Non-Profit Organization of the Year

- Atlantic Nationals Automotive Extravaganza Inc.
- Festival Frye Festival
- P.R.O. Jeunesse Dieppe P.R.O. Kids
- Second Chance Workshop Inc.

## Young Entrepreneur

- CrossFit YQM
- Memories2Go
- Sparkle Lifestyle and MediSpa

Another award, the People's Choice Award, will be awarded to the business from the tri-community area that the public feels is most deserving. Online voting opens today at the Chamber's website and all companies which submitted a nomination for a 2018 award are in the running. Online voting will close at noon on October 17.

For the first time in the history of the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton, the Business Excellence Awards will have a theme this year - Celebrate Local! All aspect of our gala will be centered with this theme in mind.

BDC will be partnering with the Chamber of Commerce to launch a new initiative around that theme. We will ask entrepreneurs from Greater Moncton and customers of local businesses from the region to share a photo of their favorite local store or their business with the hashtag #Celebratelocal2018. On October 24th, during the gala, we will present the 10 best photos and we will ask attendees to vote for the photo of their choice. The winner will be chosen during the gala and receive a Visa gift card of \$200, and one business from the tri-city area will receive a Visa gift card of \$200 for being the most "connected" business in the region.

The Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton can count on another partnership this year with a new prize offered by Air Canada. One person present at the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Moncton Business Excellence Awards will win 2 tickets for any destination in North America or Sun destination including Hawaii.

Tickets to the most important business event of the year are now available. You can purchase them online at the Chamber website gmcc.nb.ca, by emailing events@gmcc.nb.ca or calling our office at 506 857-2883.

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