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Businesswoman of the Year 2017

APPLICATION / NOMINATION FORM

About the Awards

The Woman of the Year 2017 Luncheon and Awards are a celebration of the outstanding achievements of businesswomen across the UK.

The annual awards, which raise funds for its nominated charities Tomorrow's People and Revitalise, promote positive female role models in business circles and society as well as encouraging women to showcase their talents to a nationwide audience.

Entries are now open for the Businesswoman of the Year 2017 which, as always, are expected to attract strong candidates from across the UK. Previous winners of this prestigious title have been women of huge talent and skill who are also determined to further raise the profile of their peers to a wider audience and, in fact, two of our former winners have gone on to be named in the Honours list to recognise their entrepreneurial successes!

Nominations can be sent for entrepreneurs or members of an organisation's senior management team from all industries and from the private and public sectors. Colleagues, clients, family and friends can send in nominations or candidates can nominate themselves.

The winner of the Businesswoman of the Year 2017 title will have made a major contribution to the financial success and performance of an organisation and the judging panel will assess their different skills, abilities, influences and achievements.

Previous winners

Jacqui O'Donovan, Managing Director of O'Donovan Waste Disposal Ltd was the 2016 winner to add her name to

an impressive list of former winners including Sharon Redrobe, CEO of Twycross Zoo, Karren Brady CBE, star of The Apprentice and Vice-Chairman at West Ham United, Hillary Devey CBE from hit BBC TV series Dragons' Den, Sarah Tremellen, founder and Chief Executive of Bravissimo, Emma Elston, co-founder of UK Container Maintenance, Julie Kenny CBE - Chairman and CEO of Pyronix Ltd, Julie White, Managing Director of D-Drill, and Asha Khemka OBE, Principle and Chief Executive of West Nottinghamshire College.

The 2016 finalists

Jo Stroud, Owner & Managing Director of Fabulous Jewellery, Carol Shanahan, Founder of Synectics Solutions Ltd, Katherine Bennett, Vice President of Public Affairs, Airbus, Rivka Rose, Founder of Faith in Nature Ltd, Jacqui O'Donovan, Managing Director of O'Donovan Waste Disposal Ltd, Anne Carlisle, Chief Executive of Falmouth University.

How to apply

Anyone can nominate a candidate and complete the application form on their behalf which can be requested from Judy Groves, the Awards Chair judy@rigbygroupplc.com and returned to the same email address.

Additional supporting information for the judges is welcomed.

Future diary dates

Judging will take place on 22 September 2017 at Mallory Court Hotel, Leamington Spa. It is important that finalists are available

to attend in person on the selected date. The winners will be announced exclusively at the Woman of the Year 2017 Luncheon and Awards ceremony on Friday, 6 October, 2017. The Luncheon and Awards attract over 500 women including many high profile guests which have included Baroness Karren Brady and Michelle Mone.

There will be plenty of time to network at the 35th successive year of the eagerly-anticipated awards when funds will once again be raised for two official charities and there will be an opportunity to shop in a select number of boutique stores. All finalists will be invited to attend the Luncheon and Awards as the guests of the Awards Chair.

About our Charities

Tomorrow's People

Tomorrow's People is dedicated to helping disadvantaged adults and young people find and retain employment, with a focus on improving the long-term work prospects of those who face the greatest barriers to work. The charity's vision is to break the cycle of unemployment and dependency in deprived communities throughout the UK, transforming lives by 'reskilling' the long-term unemployed.

Revitalise

Revitalise is a national charity providing essential services for the disabled, visually impaired and their carers. The charity runs three centres nationwide, offering short-breaks with 24-hour care and personal support in relaxed surroundings.



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NOMINEE

Surname:			Ms/Miss/Mrs
Forename(s):			
Work Tel:		Fax:	
Company Name:			
Role/Title:			
Nature of Business:			
Business Address:			
Mobile No.		Home Tel:	
Email Address:			
Date of Birth:		Place of Birth:	

Interests/Hobbies/Memberships/Directorships:

How did you hear about the Businesswoman of the Year Award? (Please complete on a separate page if necessary) for which you are directly responsible.

The Company	Previous Financial Year	Last Financial Year
Turnover:		
Gross Profit:		
Net Profit:		
Number of Employees:		

IF APPLICABLE, SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITY

Turnover:		
Gross Profit:		
Net Profit:		
Number of Employees:		



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YOUR ROLE:

Please outline briefly your role and responsibilities and the part you have played in the growth of the business.

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT:

Please describe your personal skills and achievements.

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)



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Please give a brief resumé of your previous jobs.

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)

What is your educational background?

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)



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What are your interests/activities outside work?

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)

If you win, how would you make the most out of your award?

(Please complete on a separate page if necessary)

COMPLETE ONLY IF YOU ARE NOMINATING SOMEONE OTHER THAN YOURSELF.

Name:
Tel:
Signature:

Company:
Mobile:
Date:

Closing date for nominations: Friday 8th September 2017

Please return this form to:

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Awards Chair
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