



Region's most celebrated Business Awards competition announces its Finalists

The 2013 finalists (in alphabetical order):

Apprenticeship Training Award sponsored by Superior

- Aish Technologies, Poole
- Bias Technology Support Limited, Poole
- Kingston Maurward College (Hospitality Department), Dorchester

Business Engagement with the Community Award, sponsored by J.P. Morgan

- Blondz Hair, Weymouth
- Motcombe Community Shop Ltd, Shaftesbury
- Winning Smiles (Gillingham) Ltd, Gillingham

Business Woman of the Year Award, sponsored by Barclays

- Doris & Daisy (Maria Leese), Wimborne
- Folk (Jo Cruickshanks), Poole
- LoveLove Films (Georgina Hurcombe), Bournemouth

Dorset Tourism Award, co-sponsored by Dorset Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Liz Lean PR

- Highlands End Holiday Park, Bridport
- The Green House, Bournemouth
- The Grove, Bournemouth

Entrepreneur of the Year Award, sponsored by Bournemouth University

- Beales Gourmet Ltd (Tony Beales), Poole
- C4L (Matt Hawkins), Poole
- Ratio (Marc Biles), Bournemouth

Hays Employee of the Year Award

- BOFA International Ltd (Shelagh Clyde), Poole
- Christchurch & East Dorset Partnership (David Hopkins), Christchurch
- Lewis Manning Hospice (Maria Tidy), Poole

KPMG & Lester Aldridge Company of the Year Award

- Atlas Elektronik UK Ltd, Winfrith Newburgh
- Churchill Retirement Living, Ringwood
- Health-On-Line, Bournemouth

Nuffield Health Excellence in Customer Service Award

- Nicholas O'Hara Funeral Directors Ltd, Wimborne
- Poole Harbour Commissioners (PHC), Poole
- The Green House, Bournemouth

Princecroft Willis Family Business Award

- DJ Property, Weymouth
- D Stewart & Son Ltd - "Stewarts", Christchurch
- RJ Balson & Son Ltd, Bridport

Retail Excellence Award, sponsored by the Dolphin Shopping Centre

- Animal, Poole
- Fab Frocks of Westbourne
- The Body Shop, Poole

To celebrate reaching the penultimate stage of the competition all Finalists have been invited to an exclusive drinks reception at the Ferndown Golf Club on Monday November 18 ahead of the glittering Oscar-style Awards Gala Dinner on 28th November 2013.