

MEDIA RELEASE

The Australian Asian Association of WA are supporting the Business Migrant of the Year Award in the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards

The 22nd annual Belmont Small Business Awards are well underway, and nominations and entries are open until 5pm Monday 22nd September 2015.

The Australian Asian Association of WA are sponsoring the Business Migrant of the Year Award in the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards. This year's Belmont Small Business Awards include a total of 23 categories for entrants to consider such as Best New Business, Business Person of the Year, Enterprise of the Year, Spirit of Australia, and Young Entrepreneur Award.

The Small Business awards are coordinated by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (Belmont BEC). Belmont BEC is a non profit community based organisation established, in 1994, to assist in the growth and development of small business. Over the years it has originated a large range of well known projects and programs for the benefit of its small business clients that have included Belmont Small Business Awards, Designedge Innovation Festival, Multicultural Business Support Services, WA Racing Industry Project and the Belmont BEC is also an industry specialist on creative industry, fashion and TCFL industries.

Vice President of The Australian Asian Association WA, Mr Mel Fialho, said, "The Australian Asian Association is one of Western Australia's premier ethnic conglomerate bodies, providing rent free accommodation to 17 of their ethnic associations from Asia, Africa, Latin America and Europe in their current building on Stirling Street. The building is used for services by the Chilean, Thai and Filipino Consul Generals. This building has a major and a minor function centre which is in constant use. The Australian Asian Association provides a range of services to their clients including Training, Legal Advice, Immigration Advice and Case Management, Welfare, Emergency Relief, Aged Care under the Community Aged Care Packages, Health and Community Care and an Ethnic Secretariat that provides amongst its many services, help to new and emerging groups in preparing their constitutions and registration."

"I would like to congratulate last year's Business Migrant of the Year Award winner Jamie Vine from Liberty Executive Offices. I encourage all businesses in Western Australia to see if they qualify for any of the 23 award categories. The Belmont Small Business Awards are free to enter, and the Belmont BEC can offer lots of assistance for small business entrants, including providing free online information sessions on How to prepare an Awards submission", Mel said.

For more information on how to nominate a business (including your business clients or suppliers) for the 2015 Belmont Small Business Awards or for information on attending the awards ceremony in October call the Belmont BEC on (08) 9479 3777, email awards@belmontbec.com or visit the website <http://www.belmontbec.com/awards>

The "Night of Stars" event, where winners will be announced, is going be held on Thursday 22nd of October at the Perth Exhibition and Convention Centre in the Ballroom.

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