

## MEDIA RELEASE

### 18th Belmont Small Business Awards Launch, 2011

The 2011 Belmont Small Business Awards will be officially launched on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at the City of Belmont Civic Centre from 6pm to 8pm and hosted by Belmont BEC Chair Tim Hammond.

The Small Business awards are coordinated by the Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (Belmont BEC), a non-profit community organisation that provides business webinars, workshops, mentoring and guidance to persons wishing to start or grow their business across Australia.

Belmont BEC CEO Carol Hanlon said "We are proudly hosting the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Belmont Small Business Awards, to yet again highlight the achievements of local and Western Australian small businesses. We encourage all small businesses to enter the awards and to strive to be recognised for the hard work that they do and the achievements that they make."

This years' categories include *eCommerce Web Site Award, Business Woman of the Year, Best New Business Award, Quality Customer Service, Spirit of Australia Award, Export Award and Environment Award to name just a few of the 23 Awards available for entry.*

Previous winners have found the awards a fantastic launching pad to bigger and better things and this year's awards will be no different.

Major sponsors of the awards include the City of Belmont, Belmont Business Enterprise Centre (BEC), Textile, Clothing, Footwear Resource Centre of Western Australia Inc.(TCFWA) Other valuable sponsors include Perth Airport, Australia Asia Association, Southern Gazette Community News, Burswood Entertainment, Hanssen Project Management, SBDC, Westways Colorgrafix, Watering Concepts, Racebreed, Australian Network Management, BPW Australia. This year new sponsors include Sunday Times, HR Virtual Assistant, Small Enterprise Network and National Australia Bank.

Belmont BEC can provide assistance to organisations in the preparation of submissions for their entry into the 2010 Belmont Small Business Awards.

For more information on how to nominate a business for the 2011 Belmont Small Business Awards or for information on attending the awards ceremony call the Belmont BEC on (08) 9479 3777, email [awards@belmontbec.com](mailto:awards@belmontbec.com) or visit the website <http://www.belmontbec.com/awards2011>

Closing date for entries is 5pm 19th October 2011.

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