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## 2010 IWIB Illawarra Businesswomen's Awards

**The IWIB Illawarra Business Woman of the Year 2010**  
(proudly sponsored by the Illawarra Business Chamber)

&

**The IWIB Illawarra Young Business Woman of the Year 2010**  
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**Friday, 26th March 2010**

**12noon at the Lagoon Seafood Restaurant North Wollongong**

Applications are now open for the Illawarra Women in Business Businesswomen's Awards.

The IWIB Illawarra Businesswomen's Awards 2010 are the arena where the most talented and successful Businesswomen of the Illawarra prove they are the best in the business!

**Illawarra Women in Business** is proud of the achievements of women in the local business community, and wants to recognize successful women in business through our IWIB award for the IWIB Illawarra Business Woman of the Year and the IWIB Illawarra Young Business Woman of the Year.

Entering awards are a vital part of our personal and professional development and gives those entering the opportunity to analyse themselves and their business – which in turn can help recognize success and help grow and develop professionally.

These awards are open to **ALL business women** who are operating or who work as an employee in a business located in the Illawarra that best demonstrates ambition, energy, skill and vision, as well as tangible business success.

The awards are open to women who are enjoying success in building their own business and to those employees that have had an outstanding impact in contributing to the successes of a larger organisation.

**TO ENTER the IWIB Illawarra Business Woman of the Year for 2010 –**  
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This award is open to any businesswoman who is operating or works as an employee in a business located in the **\*Illawarra** and meets the following criteria:

- An Australian registered business, company or organisation. This includes partnerships, franchises, community organisations, registered charities, commonwealth & state government departments, agencies and local government bodies.
- You are in a business (as a business owner or employee) that has been operating for at least one year.
- Members of the judging panel or IWIB directors are not eligible to enter the awards.
- **The \*Illawarra area covers the local governments of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama, Shoalhaven & Wingecarribee. Applicants must conduct their business in these areas of local government.**





**TO ENTER the IWIB Illawarra Young Business Woman of the Year for 2010 – (proudly sponsored by ITeC Small Business Services)**

This award is open to any businesswoman who is operating or works as an employee in a business located in the Illawarra and is **under the age of 30** and must meet the following criteria:

- ✓ An Australian registered business, company or organisation. This includes partnerships, franchises, community organisations, registered charities, commonwealth & state government departments, agencies and local government bodies.
- ✓ You are not over the age of **30 (If you turn 31 on or after 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2010 you are ineligible to enter this category).**
- ✓ You are in a business (as a business owner or employee) that has been operating for at least one year.
- ✓ Members of the judging panel or IWIB directors are not eligible to enter the awards.

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**Judging**

A Judging Panel made up of well respected and experienced members of the Illawarra business community will judge the awards. Two (2) judges per category will conduct the interviews with the successful applicants who reach this stage.

**ENTRY FORM**

**Don't miss the deadline for entry closure – 5pm, Tuesday 2nd March 2010**

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ABN: \_\_\_\_\_

Years established: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Your position in the business: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Where did you hear about the IWIB Businesswomen's Awards: \_\_\_\_\_





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## CATEGORY ENTERING (tick the category you are entering)

- The IWIB Illawarra Business Woman of the Year for 2010** (proudly sponsored by the Illawarra Business Chamber)

OR

- The IWIB Illawarra Young Business Woman of the Year for 2010** (proudly sponsored by ITeC Small Business Services)

## QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED IN YOUR SUBMISSION/APPLICATION:

- ✓ You must not exceed half an A4 page per question.
- ✓ Answer each question on a separate page.
- ✓ Put the corresponding question number at the beginning of each question.
- ✓ You may include an index, testimonials, photos newspaper clippings and articles as long as **your total submission isn't over 10 A4 pages.**
- ✓ Attach the entry form to the front page of your submission.
- ✓ Entries will not be returned.

1. Describe your business.
2. What do you do to satisfy your customers and how do you measure their satisfaction.
3. List your key achievements as a business person.
4. List your key personal achievements, including voluntary and community work.
5. Describe a successful strategy/initiative which you implemented in your business.
6. Please describe your business journey and what inspired you or motivated you to take this journey.
7. In what way has the Illawarra enabled your success?
8. In what way have your achievements benefited the Illawarra?
9. What qualities make you different to your competitors and other business people in the local community.
10. How will these awards affect your journey if you won?

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ✓ Applications must be received by **5pm, Tuesday 2nd March 2010.**
- ✓ All applications must be typed.
- ✓ All applicants must provide a business card.
- ✓ All applications must include 2 referees.
- ✓ Please include any press / media cuttings published in the last 12 months if available.
- ✓ Please complete the declaration below and address your application (**in duplicate**) with any supporting information (**supporting information also in duplicate**) to:

**The IWIB Businesswomen Awards 2010**  
**PO Box 216**  
**WOONONA NSW 2517**

## DECLARATION

I, being ( \_\_\_\_\_ ), warrant that the information provided is true and correct as at the time of completing this nomination. I understand and abide by the rules as stated on this entry form I agree to abide by the conditions of entry as stated.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





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## WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR APPLICATION

*The Illawarra Women in Business Businesswomen Awards 2010 are an initiative of Illawarra Women in Business. We thank you for entering the awards and wish all applicants the best of luck!*

### Terms and Conditions

- Entries for the 2010 awards are now open
- **All entries must be submitted before 5pm Tuesday 2nd March 2010 deadline.**
- No liability for entries lost or delayed will be accepted.
- You will receive confirmation of receipt of your application by email, immediately or by the following working day. If you do not receive this confirmation, email us at [events@iwib.com.au](mailto:events@iwib.com.au)
- The IWIB Businesswomen Awards are free to enter and open to any female over the age of 18 provided they operate or work as an employee in a business located in the \*Illawarra.
- The \*Illawarra area covers the local governments of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama, Shoalhaven & Wingecarribbee. Applicants must conduct their business in these areas of local government.
- The business can be a sole trader, a private or public limited company, a partnership or limited liability partnership, a business unit within a company or a not-for-profit organisation. Businesses can operate in any trading sector.
- Responsibility within the scope of these conditions cannot be accepted for any failure of confidentiality. Entrants will be expected to protect those aspects of their business that may be patentable, registerable or otherwise secret and governed by intellectual property, copyright or similar legislation.
- All information provided will be considered as confidential by Illawarra Women in Business and will only be accessible to the directors of Illawarra Women in Business and to the Judging Panels. Judges will observe the requirements of confidentiality and will declare any possible conflict of interest.
- Winners may refer to the competition in their own publicity material following approval by the organisers of such material.
- By entering the competition, applicants agree that their name will be held on an awards database.
- By entering the competition, applicants agree that their name may be used in any future promotion of IWIB and similar IWIB awards, and used in any media releases associated with IWIB.
- It is a condition that entrants must declare whether they, or the business they represent, are involved in (or could be involved in) any dispute or judgement that could in any way significantly interfere with the proper conduct of the Illawarra Women in Business Businesswomen Awards.
- There can be no appeal against the decisions of the judges and these decisions must be accepted as final in respect of all matters concerning the Illawarra Women in Business Businesswomen Awards, including the interpretation of the conditions of entry.
- No correspondence will be entered into.

**Don't miss the deadline for entry closure – 5pm, Tuesday 2nd March 2010**

We look forward to receiving your entries!

