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2021 IWIB Businesswomen's Awards

2021 IWIB Business Woman of the Year

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2021 IWIB Young Business Woman of the Year

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Presentation at the IWIB Businesswomen's Awards Lunch

11.00am - Friday, 14th May 2021

At Villa D'oro Function Centre

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

Illawarra Women in Business is proud of the achievements of women in the local business community, and wants to recognize and celebrate their success through our Awards.

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

The awards are open to ALL businesses in the *Illawarra (which are either owned or operated by a female or are a female friendly working environment) that best demonstrates energy, vision, as well as a tangible business success and is an Australian registered business, company or organisation. This includes partnerships, franchises, community organisations, registered charities, commonwealth & state government departments, agencies and local government bodies.

2021 IWIB Business Woman of the Year

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These awards are open to any businesswoman who owns a business OR is operating a business (as a general manager, CEO, or an employee making a significant contribution to the success of the business) in the *Illawarra and must meet the following criteria:

- ❖ You are in a business (as a business owner or employee) that has been operating for at least two years.
- ❖ An Australian registered business, company or organisation. This includes partnerships, franchises, community organisations, registered charities, commonwealth & state government departments, agencies and local government bodies.

2021 IWIB Young Business Woman of the Year

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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 is **under the age of 30** and must meet the following criteria:

- ❖ You are **30** years of age or younger **(If you turn 31 on or before 14th May 2021 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 two years.
- ❖ The business is an Australian registered business, company or organisation. This includes partnerships, franchises, community organisations, registered charities, commonwealth & state government departments, agencies and local government bodies.



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1. CATEGORY ENTERING

Tick the category you are entering – tick only **ONE** box (you may only enter one of the following categories)

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OR

☐ **2021 IWIB Young Business Woman of the Year**

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2. DETAILS OF APPLICANT (please include this as page 1 in your application/nomination)

Applicants Surname:

Applicants First Name:

Company Name / Name of Business:

ABN:

Business Address:

Position in Business:

Your Phone Number:

Email Address:

Referee 1

Name:

Business Name:

Phone Number:

Referee 2

Name:

Business Name:

Phone Number:



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3. QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED IN YOUR APPLICATION

(please answer each question on a separate page with a **word count of 500 words per question** – include the question and question number at the top of each page)

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, include any 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?

4. DECLARATION (please include this page in your application/nomination)

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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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

To enter the 2021 IWIB Businesswomen's Awards, please **EMAIL** your application to us (**one complete application in ONE PDF FILE**) email to events@iwib.com.au:

- 1. Details of Applicant** – see page 2 of this application - as the front page of your application
- 2. Category Entering** (tick **ONE** box only) – page 2 of this application
- 3. Answer questions** – page 3 of this application. Start each question on a new page. Head each page with the Question and Question Number and **each question has a word count of 500 words maximum.**
- 4. Declaration** – page 3 of this application – Declaration must be signed
- 5. Include** your scanned business card in the application

You may include an index, testimonials

Do not email newspaper clippings & articles – bring these with you to the interview with your judges.

All entries must be EMAILED to event@iwib.com.au in **ONE** PDF FILE –
to be received before 5pm Monday 8th March 2021 deadline.

No entries will be accepted after this date.

You will receive confirmation of receipt of your application by email, within 48hours. If you do not receive this confirmation, **email** us at events@iwib.com.au

JUDGING

- ✓ All applicants will be notified shortly after 8th March 2021 and advised if they have made it to a shortlist of finalists.
- ✓ All shortlisted finalists will be asked to a judging day. Your category Judge will contact you regarding the date & time.
- ✓ The winner will be announced at the IWIB Business Women's Awards Day on Friday 14th May 2021 – **all finalists are to attend the Awards Presentation.**
- ✓ A Judging Panel made up of well respected and experienced members of the Illawarra business community will judge the awards. Two (2) judges will conduct the interviews with the successful candidates who reach this stage.



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Terms and Conditions

- Entries for the 2021 Awards are now open
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- The IWIB Businesswomens 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.
- IWIB defines the *Illawarra area to cover the local governments of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama & the Shoalhaven. 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.
- 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.
- 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 may be held on an awards database.
- By entering the competition, applicants agree that their name and photo may be used in any future promotion of IWIB and similar IWIB awards, and used in any media releases associated with IWIB.
- 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.
- All applications will be destroyed 3 months after the Awards Day
- No correspondence will be entered into

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR APPLICATION



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The IWIB Businesswomen Awards 2021 are an initiative of Illawarra Women in Business. We thank you for entering the awards and wish all candidates the best of luck!

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