



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS

### CELEBRATING WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE WHO GIVE SOMETHING BACK

**Sometimes a 'Thank You' card is not enough.** The International Women of Excellence (IWoe) Awards are designed to recognise the achievement made by women who selflessly mentor others coming up behind them. Ultimately, they have sown back into their gender.

Female mentors have never been celebrated or awarded before and during International Women's Month is the *best* time to do just that. These can be women of all ages and races. They could be born in the UK or abroad and can even reside abroad. What they all have in common is that far from pulling the ladder up behind them when they reach the top of their game, these female mentors reached back and extended a helping hand to the next person in line.

The nominees do not all have to be the CEO of their own company; they could be working in an organisation and be nominated by someone within that organisation. These individuals and organisations are shaping the women-friendly culture by benefiting other women in the UK or beyond.

IWoE celebrates Sisterhood but with the extra emphasis of woman helping one another. Do YOU know a woman who has achieved her ambition but gives of herself and her talent freely to others? These are true women of excellence.

**NOMINATIONS:** All nominations are treated with confidence and are only seen by the judging panel and category sponsor. The shortlist will be made in January and candidates will be informed by post or email. The only clause is that those shortlisted be *AVAILABLE* to attend the Awards so please keep the evening of Saturday 7th March 2009 available. The event is being held at the Radisson Mayfair Hotel in London.

**THE NOMINATION PROCESS** - to nominate you will need to submit:

- A completed nomination form
- A letter or document stating why the individual nominated should be considered for an Award
- Evidence that the nominee agrees to the nomination and terms of nomination (i.e. signature on form).
- The nominee's CV (if possible)
- A good quality photograph (300dpi) of the nominee for use if shortlisted.
- Evidence: supporting material e.g. reports, press cuttings, for the business woman evidence of when the company was formed and evidence of its growth (this could be letters of commissions or list of clients) mention and evidence of other awards won

**JUDGES:** include industry professionals in each of the categories being submitted.

**WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE IN BUSINESS:** This woman needs to be thriving in corporate Britain or as head of her own company, making or having made a significant contribution to the success of their organisation / business. Note: this category is open to employees of both public and privately owned companies or the CEO.

**ENTREPRENEURIAL / START UP WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE:** This award is for anyone who has set up their own businesses; individuals who have the entrepreneurial spirit; who has taken risk and are making a success of it. Her registered company must be at least 2 years old.

**HUMANITARIAN WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE** This woman needs to be involved in social and humanitarian work; from individuals working for non profit-making organisations or in the corporate world contributing to the voluntary sector.

**COMMUNITY WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE:** This award goes to a woman who has worked tirelessly in the community on ground level. You could be a foster carer extraordinaire or someone who has campaigned to make a change/difference in the community.

**WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE IN MEDIA:** Whether in print, radio & television broadcast or via electronic media, this award acknowledges women working in the areas of media. From journalism operating in the public eye to production and technical operatives. So long as they have made a significant contribution to the success of the media company they work for and are helping others, they are eligible.

**YOUNG INTERNATIONAL WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE:** Have you done something incredible, inspirational or are you simply the best at what you do and you're passing it on? If you are between 16-25 years of age you can be a considered a candidate for this award.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE IN ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT:** This award is open to women making a mark in the world of performing arts, management of the arts or creative writing. Basically those ON stage and those behind the scenes.

**CREATIVE WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE (FASHION / GRAPHICS / BEAUTY INDUSTRY):** Have you broken through into this industry and made your mark? This award is for women who work in the background to make front liners look great! And guides the *youngsters* how into continuing to do so.

**WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION / RESEARCH / TECHNOLOGY:** She continues to excel in her field but does not keep her knowledge to herself. She shares it was the next one in line. She educates.

**GLOBAL WOMAN OF THE YEAR:** This person's reach been further than the UK. She has done something that has affected the life/lives of others abroad or is known for what she has done or is doing across the waters.

**VICTORIOUS WOMAN OF EXCELLENCE:** She has overcome trials to get where she is today. She has a story worth telling. If she has been through the hell and back, had to climb mountains; smash down barriers or dealt with situations that may have cowed most people and have come out on top, then she is a victorious woman.

**POSTHUMOUS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE AWARD:** Lest we forget. This award is for someone who has impacted on the lives of many but although she is no longer with us her work lives on.. She must never be forgotten.



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**DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS 20TH JANUARY 2009**

Name of nominee	Nominated by (if not the nominee)
Date of birth	Your name
Address Postcode	Address Postcode
Tel Mob	Tel Mob
Email	Email
Signature	Signature

**I would like to nominate the above nominee for the following:**

- IWoE in Education/Research/Technology
- Creative IWoE in Fashion /Graphics or Beauty
- Entrepreneurial / Start up Woman of Excellence
- Woman of Excellence in Business
- IWoE in Arts & Entertainment
- Entrepreneurial/ business start up Woman of Excellence
- International Woman of Excellence in Media
- Community Woman of Excellence
- Young International Woman of Excellence (16-25)
- Global Woman of Excellence
- Victorious Woman of Excellence
- Posthumous international women of excellence

**Please send all completed nomination forms and supporting material to:**  
International Women's Month Magazine  
Keith Villa House, 102 Mallinson Rd,  
Battersea, London SW11 1BN

**Checklist – please include:**  
Completed nomination form  
300-600 word letter stating why you or the person you are nominating should be considered.  
Supporting submission material e.g. reports, press cuttings, documented evidence.  
High-quality photo of nominee (300 dpi) send as a pdf or Jpeg

**SUPPORTING MATERIAL:**

**Provision of all relevant material that will act in support of the candidate's entry and will help the judges in making their final decision include:**

- A written letter or document stating why you or your nominee should be considered for an award.
- Press cuttings; video clips supplied on DVD, letters or personal recommendations from a publicly recognised body or individual, employers, colleagues or your peers; or evidence of other awards you have won.
- Personal and corporate testimonials (*letters by post or email*)
- Marketing materials
- Certificates of accomplishment or awards certificate or evidence i.e. photo of nominee being presented with their award
- Samples of products

**ENTRY RULES:**

- To enter you will need to submit a written presentation that meets the criteria for the category being chosen. The entry should be clearly presented (*written in block letters please*) so that it is easy for the judging panel to read.
- Someone *can* be nominated for more than one category.
- The completed entry form must be signed by the person submitting the entry *and* the person being nominated.
- All nominees must be older than 16 years of age.
- Your entries will be acknowledged on receipt, please acknowledge having heard from IWoE
- The closing date for entry is 20th January 2009.
- The judges' decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into by nominees or nominator.
- Award winners may state in advertising/promotional activity and on their stationary that they are finalists or winners but this must include the category and the year in which the award was won.
- Finalist must be available to attend the awards ceremony on Saturday 7th March 2009
- Finalist will have free entry. However, if she wishes to invite family or friends discounted costs can be negotiated.
- Winners will be announced at the awards ceremony.

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