INNOVATIVE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN BUSINESS NOMINATION FORM

19th Annual Innovator Awards Luncheon
September 25, 2019 11:30am - 1:30pm

GWATA is Seeking Nominations for the Innovative Use Of Technology in Business Award

At the 19th Annual Innovator Awards Luncheon, over 350 leaders in business and education will come together to celebrate entrepreneurship, technology, innovation, and education. During the luncheon, awards in five different categories will be presented to innovators from around North Central Washington. Do you know a company, organization, or department that has used technology in an innovative way? GWATA is seeking nominations for this year’s Innovative Use Of Technology In Business Award!

Successful companies are those that aren’t afraid of change and face technology innovation head on. An Innovative Use of Technology In Business nominee is an organization, company, or department that has embraced technology to transform the work environment. These nominees should be using or creating technology in ways that advance production, improve efficiency, or differentiate their product or service for a competitive advantage.

Recent winners of the Innovative Use Of Technology In Business Award include:
  2018 - iSpyFire
  2017 - Pacific Aerospace & Electronics
  2016 - Stemilt Growers
  2015 - Dr. Patricia Collins, Confluence Health
  2014 - Biosports Physical Therapy

A panel of community judges and the GWATA Board will select the finalists. Judges will evaluate:
  • Success of technology integration
  • Impact of the improved product or service on internal and external constituents
  • The level of innovation
  • Contribution to the local economic base

Terms:
  • Nominations are open from May 17 - July 26, 2019. Nominations can be submitted by mail, email, or online.
  • Nominees must be businesses based in Chelan, Douglas, Grant or Okanogan counties.
  • Nominees can be multi-state corporate entities but must have local headquarter operations.
  • Individuals can nominate their own company, organization or department.
  • Our most recent winners (2014-2018) are not eligible for the award.
  • All qualified nominees will be announced during the GWATA Summer Social on August 1.
  • All qualified nominees will be recognized through GWATA media outlets.
  • The top three finalists will be showcased and recognized at the Innovator Awards Luncheon on September 25, 2019. The top three finalists will receive 2 complimentary tickets each.
  • The winner will be announced live at the Innovator Award Luncheon and will receive:
    • One-year business membership to GWATA
    • 2 minute video on their business
    • Business featured at a Tech Talk & Happy Hour event
    • On-air interview on GWATA TV
    • Opportunity for a feature in the bi-annual GWATA newsletter
    • Complimentary tickets to a variety of GWATA events in 2019
  • All nominees are encouraged to attend the luncheon.

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You can also fill this out online at www.gwata.org/innovators
Submission Deadline: July 26, 2019

Nominee(s) Name: ______________________________________________________________

Business Name:_______________________________________________________________

Nominee Phone & Email: _________________________________________________________

Nominee Website: _____________________________ Year Business Started:______________

Please describe how this nominee used technology to build their company, transform their
department, or solve a problem:

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What technology did they develop or utilize?

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What makes their use of technology unique or innovative?

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Outline the tangible benefits or improvements the nominee realized as a result of the technology changes. (i.e. revenue generation, cost savings, increased productivity, etc.)

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Personal testimony: Why are you nominating this person/company? Why do you feel they are using technology in a innovative way?

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You are encouraged to attach publications, photos, and video to support your nomination. Incomplete applications will be not considered.

Your Information

Name__________________________________________

Email__________________________________________

Phone ________________________________________

Submit your nomination today - Applications due July 26
Mail: 285 Technology Center Way, Suite 133, Wenatchee, WA 98801
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