For over thirty years through our annual “Women in Business” award and event, The Kingston Whig-Standard has celebrated. Our annual Women in Business award and event celebrated many of the women who have been at the forefront of our city’s success. They have inspired all of us.

For 2019, we are proud to launch Inspiring Women of Kingston and open the nominations for our inaugural award winners.

They are the women who make Kingston the place you want to live, work and play – because it is an exciting, innovative, and dynamic community, inclusive of all.

IW Awards brought to by the Kingston Whig-Standard, Postmedia.

THE AWARDS:

The five award categories are designed to recognize inspiring women at all levels of growth:

1. Executive of the Year
2. Entrepreneur of the Year
3. Young Entrepreneur of the Year
4. Influential Community Trailblazer
5. Ones to Watch
NOMINATION SUBMISSION CRITERIA:

1 | EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR
A woman who is a successful executive within an established organization, with a notable track record for a minimum of 3 years.
To qualify, please provide us with the following:
Provide examples of how she has contributed to economic wealth, job creation and growth.
- Explain how she exhibits extraordinary leadership and success in her organization.
- Explain how she exhibits success in her organization and the obstacles she has overcome.
- Give examples of what she has pursued above and beyond her industry.

2 | ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR
A woman who owns, or is a co-owner, of a business, with a successful and notable track record for a minimum of 3 years.
To qualify, please provide us with the following:
Provide examples of how she has contributed to economic wealth, job creation and growth.
- Explain how she exhibits extraordinary leadership and success in her business.
- Explain how she exhibits success in her business and the obstacles she has overcome.
- Give examples of what she has pursued above and beyond her industry.

3 | YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR
A woman under the age of 40 as of December 31, 2018. She owns, or is a co-owner, of a business with a successful and notable track record for a minimum of 2 years.
To qualify, please provide us with the following:
Provide examples of how she has contributed to economic wealth, job creation and growth.
- Explain how she exhibits success in her business and the obstacles she has overcome.
- Give examples of what she has pursued above and beyond her industry.

4 | COMMUNITY TRAILBLAZER
A woman who has greatly contributed to the evolution of our community through her volunteer and community work. She inspires others with her character and skills, and is a pioneer who has opened doors for many. Her contributions rise above and beyond others expectations to enrich the lives of others.
To qualify, please provide us with the following:
- Tell us what unique qualities the nominee possesses that make her a trailblazer.
- Describe how the nominee exhibits extraordinary leadership.
- Provide examples of how she has gone above and beyond to enrich the lives of others in her community.

5 | ONES TO WATCH
A young woman between the ages of 15 and 19 as of December 31, 2018, who are involved, engaged, and display conviction in the things they do or the leadership they show in their community or school and who positively impacts and inspires those around her.
To qualify, please provide us with the following:
- Provide examples of how she has contributed to her place of learning student population (High-School, University, or College).
- Give examples of what she has pursued in or outside of school where she has made a positive contribution.
- Provide examples of how she has gone above and beyond to inspire and engage other youth in her place of learning.

SELECTION PROCESS:
The nominations will be judged by representatives across a diverse range of Kingston business sectors:
- Judges will be provided a criteria upon which to grade nominations.
- The judges are solely responsible for the review, evaluation and selection of award winners.
- The judges selections are final and are not subject to review.
- All winners will be notified in writing prior to the ‘Inspiring Women YGK’ event, to be held June 13, 2019, Holiday Inn Kingston Waterfront.
- Award winners will be featured in the ‘Inspiring Women of Kingston’ special.
NOMINEE
Name ___________________________________________ Title (if applicable) ____________________________
Phone Number ___________________________ Email ____________________________________________
Company ___________________________ Business Phone ____________________________
Street Address ___________________________ Postal Code ____________________________

NOMINATOR
Name ___________________________________________ Title (if applicable) ____________________________
Phone Number ___________________________ Email ____________________________________________
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PLEASE CHECK THE APPROPRIATE AWARD CATEGORY:
☐ Executive of the Year ☐ Entrepreneur of the Year ☐ Young Entrepreneur of the Year
☐ Community Trailblazer ☐ Ones to Watch

SUBMISSIONS:
Please submit answers to all questions required for the award category associated with your nomination.
For all categories please provide a list of notable awards or recognitions that the nominee has received.

FORWARD ALL NOMINATIONS TO:
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Nominations must be received by May 2, 2019, 11:59 p.m. EST to be eligible.