

NEWS RELEASE

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Finalists announced for the Parksville & District Business Achievement Awards

The **Parksville & District Chamber of Commerce** is proud to honour the outstanding businesses and service individuals in our community. There are three finalists in each of the 6 categories. The winner of each category will be officially announced at the **Business Achievement Awards** ceremony on **March 14 at the Parksville Centre**.

With the help of our selection committee who reviewed all the submitted nominations, three finalists in each category have been determined.

The Finalists for this year are:

Service Excellence Award

- Chris Grundmann, Island Automotive
- Jason Hastings & Kirsten Ruryk, Taste Café & Bistro
- Marie Lloyd Jones, McDonalds Restaurants

Small Business of the Year

- Ground Zero Acoustic Lounge
- Robert Held Art Glass
- Rusted Rake Farm

Large Business of the Year

- Harris Oceanside Chevrolet GM
- Osprey Electric
- Tigh-Na-Mara Seaside Spa Resort & Conference Centre

Outstanding Workplace – Employer of the Year

- Cultivate Garden & Gift
- Parksville Home Hardware
- Weather-Wise Cedar Products

Young Professional of the Year

- Bradd Tuck, Yates Memorial Services
- Hollie Quiring, RBC Royal Bank
- Melisa Beatty, Coastal Community Credit Union

Not for Profit of the Year

- Concord Lodge no 79
- North Island Wild Life Recovery Centre
- Parksville Beach Festival Society

We are pleased to announce the recipient of this year's **Community Spirit Award, sponsored by the Society of Organized Services is: Tigh-Na-Mara Seaside Spa Resort & Conference Centre**. The Community Spirit Award recognizes a business or individual that has demonstrated exceptional commitment to developing and encouraging community spirit and pride.

To learn more about the event or to purchase tickets: www.parkvillechamber.com or 250-248-3613

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The Chamber is a member-driven and volunteer led organization that works collaboratively with businesses and community to help create a healthy and prosperous local economy. In addition to promoting many community events and activities in the region, the Chamber manages the Visitor Information Centre, Parksville & District Business Excellence Awards, Canada Day Celebrations and the Summer by the Sea Street Market.