

South African Small Business Awards selects winners

The winners of the 2016 South African Small Business Awards were announced on 10 November at Montecasino in Fourways, Johannesburg. In its eighth year, the South African Small Business Awards acknowledge the country's most outstanding businesses and the remarkable people behind them.

Hosted by the National Small Business Chamber (NSBC) and sponsored by FNB, Adams and Adams, DHL and World Famous Events, the awards pay tribute to the unique contribution small businesses make to the South African economy.



Back: TFS Holdings (Dwayne Malcom), The Supremacy Group (Carlen van Dijk & Penny Smith), Setsmol Enterprise (Solly MbeleSchoaro), Nkazimulo Applied Sciences (Bathabile Mpofu), Gabsten Technologies (Iniel Dreyer), Eco Furniture Design (Tameron Haralambous), Arrero Premium Car Perfume (Lizelle Beukes), Old School Cool (Tiffini Wissing Hein), Mbd Squared (Lizelle Mcdermott), Xabisa Human Capital Solutions (Sivis Pillay), Calvin And Family Group (Calvin Mathibeli), LA Consulting Engineers (Vino Govender), The Planoman (Pty) Ltd (Raymond Cugnolio), ShiftOne Digital (Dylan Kohlstadt), Little Green Number (Juanita Van Der Merwe), Yoco (Katlego Maphai) Front: SassyChic (Roxanne Page), Lets Collaborate (Veronique Palmer), Myteksonic (Pty) Ltd (Jonathan Kgatshe), Karl De Leau Natural Skincare (Karel Vermeulen)

Winners

- The National Small Business Champion was awarded to Roxanne Page for SassyChic, an online women's boutique specialising in South African designers and brands, offering a variety of proudly South African fashion, lingerie and beauty products
- The National Skills Development Award went to Tameron Haralambous of Eco Furniture Design for her focus on environmental sustainability and social upliftment as core business principles
- The National Entrepreneur Champion went to Calvin Mathibeli of the Calvin And Family Group, a construction company with a focus on residential development, and after tremendous growth is now branching out into commercial and retail development, as well as low cost housing, schools, stadiums and water and sanitation systems
- The National Innovation Award went to Juanita Van Der Merwe of Little Green Number for her efforts in using repurposed PVC billboards while also giving back to the community through a 'Buy1Give1' philosophy
- The National Woman in Business Champion was awarded to Vino Govender of LA Consulting Engineers, a consulting practice operating in the built environment sector offering sustainable living solutions that go beyond the call of duty