

LCBT Annual Awards 2011



Dear Member,

It's that time of the year again and we invite you to forward your entry for this year's LCBT Annual Awards 2011.

As part of their commitment to honouring excellence in business and in the community, the Lowveld Chamber of Business and Tourism will make several awards at the beginning of November 2011, to honour top achievers in the Lowveld, specifically achievers in the fields of Business, Tourism and Community Service. Closing date for entries are 30 September 2011, and businesses in the Lowveld are urged to submit their entries well in advance of this closing date.

Attached to this email you will find the following documents which is of utmost importance when making /submitting your nominations / applications:



2011 LCBT Annual Awards Entry form



2011 LCBT Annual Awards Invitation to Participate and Supporting Documentation Requirements



2011 LCBT Annual Awards General criteria and rules

Table Bookings

We'd like to remind you to make these **table bookings** well in advance as we had large number of disappointed members who did their bookings too late last year. If you make your booking well in advance you may make use of the opportunity to make you payment in monthly "instalments", this will alleviate the financial burden it might place on your company. Ticket prices has not been confirmed as yet, but will be forwarded to you as soon as it becomes available.

Other Sponsorship Opportunities



Welcoming drinks



Arrival Entertainment



Still/Prepared Water on tables



4x Table Wine (4 bottles p/table) Sponsorship (per requirements) opportunities available



Main Entertainment



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Should you be interested in any of the above opportunities, you are most welcome to contact Janitta Pieterse for more detailed information on 083 294 0906 or email me on janitta@lcbt.co.za.

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Criteria for Category Entrants


We eagerly await your entry in all of our categories. Our awards are grouped into three major categories, namely **General, Specific and Special Awards**.




1. General Awards


All business, within the field of general business (e.g. financial, commerce, industry, agriculture, medical, services, tourism and the hospitality industry) may apply or be nominated for the three awards in this General category. Awards are made in the following categories:


-  **Large Enterprise** >R20 million turnover per annum
-  **Medium Enterprise** R5 million to R20 million turnover per annum
-  **Small Enterprise** < R5million turnover per annum


2. Specific Awards

 **Hospitality**
The Hospitality Industry award includes all hospitality industries, irrespective of the size of the organisation or the focus of the industry (e.g. food, accommodation, travel and tourism or entertainment)


-  **Large Enterprise** >R10 million turnover per annum
-  **Medium Enterprise** >R3 million to R10 million turnover per annum
-  **Small Enterprise** < R3 million turnover per annum

 **Franchisee**
Franchised business will compete for this award, irrespective of the size of the organisation. The focus of the evaluation will be on the principles of business and not on the popularity of the brand name.

 **Entrepreneur**
This award will typically focus on the SMME sector in the community. Business established more than 24 months prior to July of the year of the award are not eligible and should compete in another category. The creation of job opportunities through the business venture will count in favour of the participant, while emphasis will be placed on innovation and uniqueness of the enterprise and product. A voucher will be linked to the Entrepreneur Award to allow the recipient access to managerial and or financial advice.

 **Environmental**
The Environmental Award will recognize excellence for those activities which are developed, planned and managed in accordance with recognised best practice for the benefit of the sustainability of human society and the environment on which we depend.

3. Special Awards

 **Community Service**
This award will be given to a non-governmental, non-political, non-profit organisation, which focuses on the well-being, community outreach and development of the community. Community service organisations with a national basis will not be considered. This award may also be awarded to an individual.

Please contact Janitta Pieterse at the LCBT mobile at 083 294 0906 for further details. Please ensure that you fax **your entry form to fax number 086 531 7098**