



Duncan Cowichan Chamber of Commerce Black Tie Award Winners 2002 - 2023

Past Winners cannot be Finalists in the same Award Category in which they won, nor are they eligible in that Award Category for three consecutive Black Tie Award years following their win

2023

Lifetime Achievement

Denise McKinlay

Volunteer of the Year

Tony Owen | Cowichan Bay Maritime Centre

Art In Business

Longevity John Falkner | Duncan Cowichan Festival Society

Customer Service

Mark Paetz | Mark's Instant Sign Shop

Young Entrepreneur

Travis Berthiaume | OodyOos Peet Store

Green Business

Duncan Paving Co.

Business Achievement | 1-5 Employees

NTL Excavating

Business Achievement | 6-19 Employees

Yeshi Foods

Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

Craig Street Brewing Company

Non-Profit Organization

Clements Center for Families, Nourish Cowichan, Providence Farm

2020

Lifetime Achievement

Pudge Bawa, Marpole Transport Ltd

Volunteer of the Year

Deb Savory Wright | KidSport Cowichan

Art In Business

Arnim Rodeck | ShamaWood

Customer Service

Vince Avery & Team | Thrive Now Physiotherapy

Young Entrepreneur

Brennan Colebank | Stillhead Distillery

Green Business

Resthouse Sleep Solutions

Business Achievement | 1-5 Employees

Ignition Motorsports

Business Achievement | 6-19 Employees

The Old Firehouse Wine & Cocktail Bar

Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

49th Parallel Grocery

Non-Profit Organization

Cowichan Valley Hospice Society

2018

Lifetime Achievement

Stormin' Norm Jackson, Cowichan Golf & Country Club

Volunteer of the Year

Anne Balding & Claudia Roland, Meals on the Ground

Art In Business

Lorraine Blake, Steps Ahead Dance

Customer Service

Elly Ruge, Cowichan Auto Repair

Young Entrepreneur

Ian Smith, Victory Barber & Brand North

Green Business

John & Katy Ehrlich, Alderlea Farm Café

Business Achievement | 1-10 Employees

Aly Tomlin, Ralph Rosenke & Morgan Moreira, Riot Brewing Co.

Business Achievement | 11-19 Employees

Taiji Team, Taiji Brand Group

Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

The Team, Arbutus Farms

2016

Lifetime Achievement

Jim Dias, Kids Sports Cowichan, Providence Farm & formerly of Municipality of North Cowichan

Volunteer of the Year

Cathy King, Muscular Dystrophy, Pay It Forward Crew, Warmland Shelter & more!

Art in Business

Naomi & Andreas Kunert, Ancient Art of Stone

Customer Service

Leigh & Chris Davies, Mid-Island Ink Depot

Young Entrepreneur

Christina Hanson & Jacqueline Bergstrom, Backwoods Soap & Candle Co.

Green Business

Judy Stafford & Team, Cowichan Green Community

Business Achievement | 1-10 Employees

Harold W. Wallace, H.W. Wallace Funeral and Cremation Centre Inc.

Business Achievement | 11-19 Employees

Sebastien Martin, Wedderspoon Organic Inc.

Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

Duane Shaw, Mill Bay Marine Group

2015

Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year
Art in Business
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Green Business
Business Achievement | 1-10 Employees
Business Achievement | 11-19 Employees
Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

Bill Keserich, Cowichan Valley Soccer Association
Colleen Marsel Heart & Stroke Foundation
John Lore, Live Edge Design
Ashley Mulholland, London Drugs Photo Department
Paul King, Hangaar
Robin Round, Botanical Bliss
David & Sandra Beggs, Cycle Therapy
Ian & Jennifer Woike, Farmer Ben's Eggs
Randal Huber, Mark DuMez & Colleagues at the Chemainus Theatre Festival

2014

Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year
Art in Business
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Green Business
Business Achievement | 1-10 Employees
Business Achievement | 11-19 Employees
Business Achievement | 20+ Employees

Mike Coleman, Q.C., Coleman, Whittome, Lehan & Duncan's longest serving Mayor.
MaryAnn Deacon, Cowichan Valley Hospice
Gordon Smith, Cowichan Woodwork Ltd.
Jeff Downie, Old Firehouse Wine & Cocktail Bar
Andrea & Daniel Hudson, Hudson's on First
Dan Armstrong & Karen Hallquist, Velocal Delivery
Andrew Higginson, Higginson Consulting Ltd.
Ivo Zanatta, Matrix Marble & Stone
Buckerfield's

2013

**Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year**

Ken Slade, Drillwell Enterprises
George Robbins, Cowichan Region Economic Development
Commission, Shawnigan Cobble Hill Farmers Institute. Agricultural
Society & other projects & other organizations
Cari Burdett, Lila Music Centre
Demi McEvoy, Cowichan Intercultural Society
Lillian Laird, The Print Spot
Wilma Jamieson, Students & Staff of Queen Margaret's School

**Art in Business
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Green Business**

**Business Achievement | 1-10 Employees
Business Achievement | 11-19 Employees
Business Achievement | 20+ Employees**

Genevieve Grieve, EK Hair Design
Olivia Boudreau & Emily Clements, Adagé Studio
Bernie Dinter, Dinter Nursery

2012

**Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year:
Customer Service
Art in Business:
Young Entrepreneur
Green Business
Home-based Business
Business Achievement:**

Ken McKinnon, Pacific Homes
Dorothy & Eric Marshall, Cowichan Valley Naturalists Society
Mike McCluskey, Thermo Proof Windows
Sue Coleman, Coleman & Coleman Enterprises
Marcus Woernle, BioFlame Briquettes
Aimee Bartesko, skin n.v.
Andrew Shepherd, Vancouver Island Salt Company
Chad Conrad, Mr. Mike's Steakhouse & Bar

*In 2012 a decision was made to brand the Awards with the same year in which they are presented.
We also founded the **Art in Business Award**.*

2010/11

Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur

Herb Doman, Doman Industries (Postumous)
George Treit, Providence Farm
Will Taylor, BowMel Chrysler
Cortnie Clarke, Crave Boutique

Green Business Award
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

John Close, Lush EcoLawns
Angela Etherington, Progressive Fitness Personal Training,
Ingrid Lehwald & Frédéric Desbiens of Saison Market Vineyards.

2009

Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year
Best in Customer Service
Second in Customer Service
Third in Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

Woody Hayes
Hilda Venables, 1 to 1 Help
Greg Harris, Tagz Contracting
Richard Ingle, Arbutus Ridge Golf Course.
Kevin Cochlan; London Drugs
Adam Rodwell-Ryder, Adam's Tarp & Tool
Jeff Trapp, Trapp Educational Consulting
Al Jackson, South Island Fireplace & Spas

2008

Lifetime Achievement
Volunteer of the Year
Best in Customer Service
Second in Customer Service
Third in Customer Service

Glen Harper, Harpers Recycling
Mike Neel &, Cowichan Search & Rescue
Katie & Scott Mahon, Mad Dog Crabs
Wendy Bowen, Startline Physiotherapy
Nicole Tiefert, Blockbuster

Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

Heather Walker & Brock McLeod, Makaria Farm
Katie Harris & Aaron Bichard, Cowichan Recyclists
Liz & Lance Steward, Just Jakes & Craig Street Brew Pub

2007

Lifetime Achievement Award
Volunteer of the Year
Best in Customer Service
Second in Customer Service
Third in Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

Vern Wellburn
Amy Holness, Cowichan Valley Hospice Society
Rick Attwood, James St. Café
Imelda Kramer, Judy Hill Gallery
Deanna Murdoch, Diane's Flowers
Sheila Martell, Duncan K-9 Grooming
George Gates, NuTech IT Solutions
The Playground Health & Fitness Adventure Training Centre

2006

Lifetime Achievement

Dennis & Claudia Zanatta, Vigneti Zanatta Vineyard & Winery, & Cowichan Terrazzo & Tile

Customer Service Volunteer

Rodney Picard, Harvest House Food Bank

Customer Service Business

Ed Wilson, Metro Toyota

Customer Service Second Place

Jeanne Halladay, Agapel & Christian Nursery School

Young Entrepreneur

Erika Colebank, Blue House Denture Clinic

Home Based Business

Sebastien & Catherine Martin, Wedderspoon Organic

Business Achiever

Laura Finch, Island Bagel

2005

Lifetime Achievement

Catherine Fyffe, Island Savings, & founding member of Black Tie committee. (Posthumous)

Volunteer of the Year

Gerry Giles, 2005 Cowichan BC Seniors Games

Customer Service

Jack George, Country Grocer

Young Entrepreneur

Crystal Ker, Cobbleccino's Café

Home Based Business

Alana Elliott, Nonuttin' Foods

Business Achiever

John Lore, Pickle Ridge Rustic Carpentry

2004

Volunteer of the Year
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

Betty Anne Devitt, Cowichan Basket Society
Peter Richardson, Thrifty Foods Mill Bay
Clover McClure, Iasola Salons
Hilary Abbott, Hilary's Fine Cheese
Will Arnold, Experience Cycling

2003

Volunteer of the Year
Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement

Anita Kennett, St. John Ambulance
Teresa Kemp, Discovery Honda
Brad Klasen, Klean Kustomz
Robin Duke, Robin's Country Quilting
Cam Drew, 89.7 Sun FM

2002

Customer Service
Young Entrepreneur
Home Based Business
Business Achievement | Under 20 Employees
Business Achievement | Over 20 Employees

Al Longair, Prevost Veterinary Clinic
Nathan Clement, Clement Real Estate
David Pink & Diana Johannesma, Pink Creative Concepts
Lena Leong & Norman Lowe, Wing On Foods
Donald Hayes – Hayes Forest Services