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Nomination Deadline: Friday, September 23, 2011

Event Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011

Location: Days Inn – Timmins, ON

This nomination form is also available for free download at:

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Call for Nominations

Nominate yourself or someone else for an award.

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The NADF Business Awards, launched in 1991, recognizes the outstanding commitment, achievements and contributions of the growing Aboriginal and Métis business community in Ontario.

Complete and submit the nomination form no later than Friday, September 23, 2011 to be automatically entered into a prize draw. Send your form by:

Mail: Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund Fax: 807-622-8271
106 Centennial Square – 2nd Floor
Thunder Bay, ON P7E 1H3

Eligibility Requirements

Nominations are open to ALL Aboriginal individuals, groups, communities and organizations operating in Northern Ontario (on & off-reserve) that meet the following eligibility criteria.

All nominees must:

1. Be a member of Treaty #9, Treaty #5 (*Ontario Portion*), Treaty #3 or Robinson-Superior 1850 Treaties **OR** Be a member of a recognized Métis association; **AND**
2. Have a business currently operating in Ontario for a period of at least two (2) years (with the exception of the *New Business of the Year Award*) **OR** Hold an executive position for a period of at least one (1) year; **AND**
3. Be substantially involved in the day-to-day operations of the business; **AND**
4. Have majority-ownership (*at least 51%*) of the business; **AND**
5. Be able to provide evidence of the business' financial performance; **AND**
6. Be able to demonstrate high ethical and professional standards in carrying out the business' operations and activities; **AND**
7. Be able to demonstrate involvement in community programs, activities and services.

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Award Categories and Eligibility

Award Category	Award Criteria
Youth Entrepreneur of the Year	The Youth Entrepreneur Award will be presented to a First Nation youth between 18 and 35 years of age from Northern Ontario who has successfully established and operated a business in Northern Ontario. The recipient will have satisfied all eligibility requirements.
Business Woman of the Year	The Business Woman of the Year Award will be presented to a First Nation member, 18 years or older, from Northern Ontario who has successfully established a business in Northern Ontario. The recipient will have satisfied all eligibility requirements.
Business Man of the Year	The Business Man of the Year Award will be presented to a First Nation member, 18 years of age or older, from Northern Ontario who has successfully established a business in Northern Ontario. The recipient will have satisfied all eligibility requirements.
Partnership of the Year	The Partnership of the Year Award will be presented to a successful business partnership where at least one of the partners is a Northern Ontario Aboriginal with at least 51% ownership in the business. The recipient(s) will have satisfied all eligibility requirements.
Executive of the Year	The Executive of the Year Award will be presented to an Aboriginal individual from Northern Ontario who currently holds an executive position for a minimum period of at least one (1) year, and who has made a significant contribution to the organization. The recipient will have satisfied all other eligibility requirements.
Corporation of the Year	The Corporation of the Year Award will be presented to a Northern Ontario First Nation Corporation who has made a significant contribution to the community. The recipient will have satisfied all other eligibility requirements.
Building Communities	The Building Communities Award will be presented to a Northern Ontario Aboriginal individual, business or organization contributing to the enhancement and improvement of community housing and infrastructure. The recipient will have satisfied all other eligibility requirements.
New Business of the Year	The New Business of the Year Award will be presented to a Northern Ontario-based Aboriginal business or organization in operation for less than two years. The recipient will have satisfied all other eligibility requirements.

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Nomination Form

Award recipients will be honoured at a gala event on

Wednesday, October 26, 2011
DAYS INN – TIMMINS, ONTARIO

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Complete a Separate Form for Each Nomination

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Step 1. Choose one (1) award category

The following eight (8) awards recognize business excellence in Treaty #3 and Robinson-Superior 1850, including Métis members, organizations and businesses, Treaty #9 (Nishnawbe Aski Nation) and Treaty #5 (Ontario portion).

- Business Man Business Woman Partnership
Youth Entrepreneur (18-35yrs) Building Communities
Corporation Executive
New Business of the Year

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Please Print Clearly and Complete in Full

Step 2. Who are you nominating?

Name: _____ Position/Title: _____

Business Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

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Step 3. Nomination Submitted By:

Name: _____ Position/Title: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Is this a self-nomination? Yes No

Is the nominee aware of the nomination? Yes No

Does the nominee accept the nomination? Yes No