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Oak Park and River Forest Chamber of Commerce Announces Finalists for 3rd Annual Business Spotlight Awards

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The Oak Park – River Forest Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the finalists for the 3rd Annual Business Spotlight Awards, to be held Tuesday, October 9th from 5-7PM at the Nineteenth Century Club. The event, hosted by Chamber President Bob Stelletello, will feature award presenters Cathy Adduci, Mayor of River Forest, Sen. Don Harmon, and others.

Local residents, business owners, and loyal customers nominated businesses in each category. Led by co-chairs Anne Pezalla (Lively Athletics) and Gary Longstein (Allstate), the committee poured over 600+ nominations, and chose 10 finalists in each category:

Local Legend: Corna Kitchen and Bath, Master S.H. Yu, Sassetti LLC, Hephzibah Children’s Association, 19th Century Charitable Association, Dominican University, Beyond Properties, New Rebozzo, Pleasant Home Foundation, Classic Cinemas Lake Theatre.

Small Business Superhero: The Actors Garden, Distinctive Coaching for Business Success, Dr. Mary Ann Bender, Escape Factor, Hit It! Fitness, The Barre Code, Starship, Dr. Constantine L. Politis, DDS, TcPhotography.

Excellent Eats: Spilt Milk, Born & Braised, Nature Yoga Sanctuary Café, Autre Monde, River Forest Chocolates, Skrine Chops, The Heritage, Obsessed Kitchen Bar, Barclay’s American Grille, Mancini’s.

New & Notable: It Takes A Village Birth + Family Support LLC, LIVE Café, Jamilla Yipp Photography, La Notte, CAA The Hearing Place, The Birth Boutique, Nature Yoga Sanctuary, Oak Park Banquets, The Historical Society of Oak Park-River Forest, Bricks Wood Fired Pizza.

Customer Experience: Lively Athletics, Corna Kitchen and Bath, The Barre Code, CycleBar OPRF, Maid Pro, Name On Anything, River Forest Chocolates, TAN Travel, SPENGA Oak Park, The Daily Method.

Community Character: Escape Factor, Lively Athletics, CycleBar OPRF, Oak Park Friends School, Hit It! Fitness, Divine Consign North Riverside, LIVE Café, Chicago Literary Hall of Fame, EDUCO Web Design, Adam Doe/State Farm Agency.

“Winners will be a closely-guarded secret until the event next month,” says Chamber President Bob Stelletello, “this is our third year presenting the Spotlight Awards and we’re always amazed at the enthusiasm of our community when it comes to our local businesses.”

The **3rd Annual Business Spotlight Awards** recognizes and celebrates businesses and community organizations across six categories of leadership. The program is open to all businesses in the Oak Park, River Forest and surrounding communities. Category winners will receive laudatory press and complimentary marketing, as well as a one year free membership to the OPRF Chamber. Hundreds of Chamber and community members will attend the Business Spotlight Awards Ceremony.

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