

Excellence in Business Awards Winners and Nominees (All Years)

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Year Location	Corporate Diversity	Small Business Diversity	Samuel Felker Business Leader of the Year	Maria M Salas Entrepreneur of the Year	Mayor Megan Barry Ally Award	Mark Lee Taylor Community Service	Leadership in the Arts	President's Award
2017 Hilton Downtown	Dell UBS Waller	Bart Durham Injury Law MediCopy The Turnip Truck	Dwayne Jenkins, Nashville CARES Pam Sheffer, Just Us at OASIS Center Paul Vasterling, Nashville Ballet	John Dyke, The Turnip Truck Jenny Ford, JF Government Strategies Elliott Holt, MediCopy	Mel Fowler-Green, Metro Human Relations Commission (MHRC) Sean Henry, Nashville Predators Hedy Weinberg, American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Tennessee	Nashville Launch Pad Volunteers Amos Gott, AmosEvents Ron Sanford, Ron Sanford Productions	Belcourt Theatre OZ Arts Nashville Hon. Nancy VanReece, Batch Nashville	Michael Burcham
2016 Doubletree Nashville Downtown by Hilton	Baker Donelson Cracker Barrel Cummins, Inc. Waller	ALT Travel GS&F MediCopy Parachute Media	William Bullens, Associate Director of Sales/Director of Entertainment Sales, Sheraton Nashville Downtown Steve Smotherman, Management Training and Development, Cracker Barrel Hon. Nancy VanReece, COO, Parachute Media Co. Paul Vasterling, Artistic Director and CEO, Nashville Ballet	Phil Cobucci, BAM! Social Business Jack Davis, JD Events and Festivals John Dyke, The Turnip Truck Dale Levitski, Sinema and The Hook	Claudia Huskey, Senior Advisor, Office of Mayor Megan Barry Patrick Luther, Chief Program Office, Nashville CARES Amy Parker, Background Investigation Specialist, Deloitte Services, LP Erica Rains, CEO, The Chef and I	Jeffery Humble, HRC Federal Club Co-Chair Mac, Mac Productions/L.A. Security Inc. Scott Ridgway, Executive Director, Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network Jim Schmidt, President, Schmidt Government Solutions, LLC	Belcourt Theatre Nashville Ballet Nashville Opera Association OZ Arts Nashville	Jeremy Davis

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2015 Wildhorse Saloon	Baker Donelson Cracker Barrel Cummins, Inc. Dell Deloitte Dollar General Fifth Third Bank UBS Vanderbilt	Emma GS&F Jeni's Splendid Ice Creams Radian Partners	Amy Bennett, The Bank of Nashville/Synovus Mortgage Rosa Berger, Fifth Third Bank David Brzozowski, Dollar General Scott Glasgow, Classic Party Rentals Joseph Interrante, Nashville CARES	Phil Cobucci, BAM! Social Business Brady Mills, Brady Mills, LLC Bruce Pittman, Bruce Pittman, Inc.	Megan Barry, Metro Council Member, At Large Kathy Halbrooks, President, PFLAG Nashville Matt Lively, Cracker Barrel Erica Rains, The Chef and I Kim Sharp, Nissan	Greg Cason, Nissan Marisa Richmond, Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition David Taylor, Tribe/Play/Suzy Wong's	KB Productions Nashville Opera Association OZ Arts Nashville Brian Parker, Parker Designs	Cathy Werthan
2014 Sheraton Downtown	Fifth Third Bank Nationwide Insurance Nissan	*	David Brzozowski, Senior Training Manager, Dollar General Brad Pinson, Business Banking Relationship Manager, AVP, Fifth Third Bank Mike Smith, Publisher, Nashville Scene & Nfocus	Joey Amato, Publisher, UNITE Magazine & UNITE Business Brady Mills, Owner, Brady Mills, LLC; Founder, GLBTDirector.com Keith Blaydes, Joe Brown, Todd Roman, David Taylor, Co-Owners, Tribe/Play/Suzy Wong's	Dr. Linda Brunton, Professor of Psychology, Columbia State Community College Carla Fenswick, Attorney, Partner, Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, LLP Chris Robinette, Financial Planner, Capital Financial Group Jennifer Schwartzenberg, Director, Community Initiatives, The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee	EQUAL Employee Resource Group, Dollar General Marisa Richmond, Past President, Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition Pam Sheffer, Director, Just Us at Oasis Center Abby Rubinfeld, JD, Attorney, Owner, Rubinfeld Law Office	Jim Robert, Executive Director, ALIAS Chamber Ensemble Nashville Opera	Bruce Pittman & Scotty Glasgow
2013 Schermerhorn	Fifth Third Bank Vanderbilt University Medical Center	*	Joe Interrante, CEO, Nashville CARES	Amos Gott, Owner, AmosEvents	Don Abel Jr. Cathy Lively	GLSEN Nashville Pride Nashville CARES	Nashville in Harmony Nashville Opera	Michael Fluck

*Category was not yet available.