

7<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
*It's All About Women!*  
CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

*Saturday January 28th 2011 ~ Prestige Harbourfront Resort Salmon Arm, BC*

## Shuswap Women of Distinction are:

- Outstanding achievers who have made a unique and exemplary contribution to their community.
- Pioneers who inspire us through their creativity, leadership, compassion and dedication.
- Role Models and advocates who use their talents, vision and determination to make the world a better place.

The 2012 Shuswap Women of Distinction Awards will be presented at the **7th Annual It's All About Women Evening Gala**, Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012 at the Prestige Harbourfront Resort in Salmon Arm, BC

### Award Categories

#### **Outstanding Woman in Business Sponsored by Shuswap Women in Business**

This award recognizes an outstanding woman who is acknowledged in her field for her professional leadership. She is committed to excellence, creates and inspires a positive work environment and influences and motivates positive change in her profession, trade or workplace whether it is in Business, Government, Union, or the Not-For-Profit Sector.

#### **The Kay Braby Community Spirit Award Sponsored by Braby Motors**

This award recognizes an outstanding woman who inspires and mentors others through involvement in voluntary community programs or organizations, or philanthropic endeavours. She has shown her dedication by creating, participating in or adapting programs to meet community needs in the areas of social services, community building and human rights.

#### **Young Woman of Excellence Sponsored by Okanagan College, Shuswap Revelstoke Region**

This award recognizes an outstanding young woman between 18 and 29, respected and admired for her leadership, achievements and contribution to her school, workplace and/or community and is a positive influence on her peers. She has shown perseverance, maturity, innovation and compassion.

### Nomination Criteria

Nominees must be at least 18 years of age and currently reside in the Shuswap and have lived here for a minimum of one year. Previous nominees may be re-nominated (previously called Shuswap Woman of the Year Awards). All nominees must accept the nomination and agree to be present for **It's All About Women Evening Gala** in order for the nomination to proceed. There is no provision for posthumous nominations.

### Selection Process

All nominations are reviewed and adjudicated by the Selection Committee. The committee is comprised of a diverse group of women whose decision will be based solely on the information provided in the Nomination Package.

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## 2012 Shuswap Women of Distinction Awards ~ Nomination Form ~

### Award Categories

*Place X beside Category choice*

- Outstanding Woman in Business Sponsored by Shuswap Women in Business
- The Kay Braby Community Spirit Award Sponsored by Braby Motors
- Young Woman of Excellence Sponsored by Okanagan College, Shuswap Revelstoke Region

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ and/or cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate (required only for Young Woman of Excellence nominations) \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information in this nomination submission is true and correct in its entirety, and hereby allow my name to stand for nomination. I understand that my name, photograph and contact information may be given to the media.

Nominee's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone \_\_\_\_\_ and/or cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the information in this nomination, and, as the nominator certify it to be true and correct in its entirety.

Nominator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Nomination Package** consists of:

**1) COMPLETED NOMINATION FORM** (page 2) Ensure both Nominee and Nominator have signed the form and your category selection is marked with an (X)

**2) STATEMENT OF NOMINATION** Please answer both of the questions below on a separate piece of paper. Give specific examples. Do not exceed one 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper per question. Try to showcase the exceptional achievements of your nominee. You may find it helpful to work with colleagues, peers, family members and friends of the nominee in putting a submission together.

*Both questions carry equal weighting*

**i) Describe the Nominees unique and outstanding achievements.**

For example:

- Explain the impact of these achievements on their profession or workplace or area of expertise
- How has she broken new ground and/or removed barriers for others to achieve?
- How has she made a difference?

**ii) Describe the Nominees' contribution as a role model to others.**

For example:

- How did this individual impact on the lives, careers and development of others?
- How has she enriched, influenced or enabled others to achieve their full potential?
- How has she shared knowledge, skills and talents in order to support and encourage others?

**3) LETTERS OF SUPPORT** Please provide two letters of support which further demonstrate the impact the Nominee has made. Letters should not exceed 2 pages in length, and should come from other individuals (not the Nominator).

**4) PHOTOGRAPH** Please submit a recent head and shoulder photograph of the Nominee with the nomination. A copy of this photograph may appear in the Shuswap Market News/Salmon Arm Observer and the souvenir program at the Gala Dinner. Email a jpeg to [SWOD@itsallaboutwomen.ca](mailto:SWOD@itsallaboutwomen.ca)

**Nominations may be mailed/dropped off/faxed to:**

**Shuswap Women of Distinction Awards**  
c/o Edward Jones  
2770 10th Ave NE  
Salmon Arm, BC V1E1W2  
Fax 1-877-314-1348

All nominations must be received with all required documentation no later than **Friday, December 16th, 2011**