

DEWI AWARDS 2019 – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is the objective of these awards?

The awards were organised so as to recognise and celebrate the successes of the members of DEWI@SMCCI, the women's chapter of SMCCI, who juggle multiple roles at work and in the office. The awards are also hoped to be a source of inspiration for the community of womenpreneurs and aspiring womenpreneurs, as winners of these awards can be role models and mentors in the future.

NOMINATIONS

2. Who can be nominated for the award?

The award is open to all of DEWI@SMCCI's members who hold an Ordinary membership status. Specifically for the "Inspiring Home-Based Awards" this will also be opened to DEWI@SMCCI's members who hold an Associate membership status, as home-based businesses do not require an official ACRA registration. However, please note that the awards are not open to SMCCI Board of Directors as well as Committee Members of DEWI@SMCCI.

3. When will the nominations close?

Nominations will close strictly by 2359hrs on 28 February 2019. Sufficient time will need to be given to compile the entries, and have it analysed by the judging panel before event day.

4. Can I nominate myself?

Yes, you can choose to fill in the form for yourself, or for someone else. As the forms do not ask for details on the person nominating, the judges will not be able to differentiate between nominees who are self-nominated, and those who are nominated by others.

5. I am not a member of SMCCI, can I be nominated?

You will not be able to be nominated. However, for membership enquiries, please contact membership@smcci.org.sg or call 9662 1225.

6. Is the award open to non Malay/Muslim members?

For this year, the award is open to SMCCI's Ordinary status members and SMCCI's Associate status members (for Inspiring Home-Based Awards). This will be the distinguishing factor for eligibility of nomination.

7. I am a female womenpreneur but I run the business with a male partner. Can I still be nominated?

You will have to check with SMCCI's membership department on whom the business is registered is under. For control purposes, we will only accept nominees whose businesses are registered directly under their names under SMCCI.

8. Why is the "Most Influential Womenpreneur" award based on social media likes and followers only?

The Most Influential Womenpreneur category was opened in a bid to recognise our womenpreneurs who have successfully used their social media platforms as a basis for growing their business. DEWI@SMCCI recognises the importance of having a digital footprint in today's increasingly digital world. As such, this award is hoped to reward those who have worked hard in establishing their digital presence. We acknowledge that this may not be the ideal definition of "influence" but it is a component of the concept of "influence" and can be quantified through statistics, which will help the judging panel in their process.

9. I am unable to furnish some of the details on the nomination forms as I do not understand what it is asking for or what it requires from me. What can I do?

Please contact membership@smcci.org.sg or call/msg 9622 1225. SMCCI will have someone to help you with your queries. However, please note that entries must be sent in by the closing date of 28 February 2019.

10. The nomination forms are not loading properly on my website. What can I do?

Please check that your browsers are updated. We recommend using CHROME as the ideal browser for the influenceher.sg website. Should you have any further issues please contact membership@smcci.org.sg or call/msg 9622 1225.

Should you have any further issues and wish to fill in a physical form, please set an appointment with us and we will be able to guide you through the different aspects of filling in the form.

JUDGING

11. What is the process of deciding who wins the awards?

A judging panel which comprises of business personalities both within and outside of SMCCI will be assembled and will consider all nominations fairly. Where necessary, an additional interview round may be organised for judges to have a better understanding of nominees before eventually choosing the awardee.

The entire nominee list will be streamlined to a maximum of 5 nominees in the final shortlist (with the exception of the Inspiring Home-Based Womenpreneur, which will have a shortlist of 10). You will be informed of your selection into the shortlist by Mid-March and all nominees on the shortlist, should attend the event. If you are unable to, please send someone on your behalf.

RESULTS

12. When will the results be announced?

The results of the categories will be announced on the night itself.

However, for the Most Popular Womenpreneur, which will be done via public vote on our online platforms (voting will be opened on 1 March and close on 23 March), the winner will be notified once the voting has been closed and confirmed. In the event of any ties for this category, the judging panel and DEWI@SMCCI reserves the right to adjudicate on any additional mechanisms (e.g. an additional window period of voting) to break the tie.

For the Inspiring Home-Based Womenpreneur awards, a total of 10 awardees will be selected by the DEWI@SMCCI Committee and ratified by the judging panel and as such, there will be no external nomination for this category.

13. Are there any additional obligations that I will have as an award winner?

We encourage all award winners to contribute to the community, through publicising and event attending DEWI@SMCCI and SMCCI events, as well as acting as a mentor for aspiring entrepreneurs. However, these can be further discussed further down the road.

EVENT DAY

14. Am I allowed to attend only the awards portion of the event?

We encourage all attendees to attend the full-event to benefit from the entire programme offerings for the night. However, please let the organising committee know should you not be able to make it for the full programme for the night.

15. What will each winner receive?

Each awardee will receive a commemorative plaque as well as a certificate of accomplishment, which is to be collected on the awards night.

16. If I am a nominee, do I need to pay for my ticket to Influence-Her?

Yes, attendees are required to pay for their ticket to the event.

17. Where can I get the tickets?

Tickets sales are already open and can be purchased via rosevalley.co

Tickets for the event itself are also open to all regardless of gender and age. In addition, ticket sales are also open both members and non-members of SMCCI and can be go Ticket sales are open to all individuals, regardless of gender and their status of nominees, or not.