



Call for Laureate Nominations 2024

Entrepreneur Hall of Fame

Entrepreneur Hall of Fame Laureates are individuals or families who have started a business, shown exceptional business leadership, and have demonstrated vision and integrity in their operations.

Laureates have demonstrated outstanding vision as an entrepreneur in one or more of their organizations and achieved a high level of respect within the business and public communities. Laureates have demonstrated leadership throughout their lives and have a record of leading others to success. Laureates have operated their businesses with integrity, following ethical business practices, treating employees and customers with respect and potentially implementing a triple bottom line system to measure corporate success. Laureates have contributed back to their community and are active community members in Waterloo Region. Nominations are reviewed by the Nomination Committee and they decide who will be inducted.

Honoured Past Laureates of the Entrepreneur Hall of Fame:

Carl A. Pollock, Electrohome

Mike Lazaridis, RIM

Jim Balsillie, RIM

Dan Einwechter, Challenger Motor Freight

Klaus Woerner, ATS

Val O'Donovan, COM DEV International

J.M. Schneider, J.M. Schneider Ltd.

A.R. Kaufman, Kaufman Rubber Company

Joseph Seagram, Seagram and Sons Ltd.

The Huber and George Piller Family,
Piller's Sausage and Delicatessens Ltd.

The Lang Family, The Lang Tanning Company

Barney Strassburger Sr., TwinCorp

Jim Estill, Canrock Ventures

Gerry Remers, Christie Digital Systems Inc.

Mate Prgin, Avvasi

**Marshall, Jonas, Erma, Esther and Lawrence
Bingeman**, Bingemans

Moses Springer, Mutual Life Assurance Company

Carl Dare, Dare Foods

Charles Greb, Greb Shoes Ltd.

Frank Hasenfratz, Linamar

John Motz, Waterloo Region Record

Theodore Witzel, Onward Manufacturing

Tom Jenkins, OpenText

Oscar Kuntz, Kuntz Electroplating

Ian McPhee, WATCOM

Frank Rovers, Conestoga-Rovers & Associates

Harold Seegmiller, E & E Seegmiller Ltd.

Ron Schlegel, RBJ Schlegel Holdings Inc.

Clifford, Emory & Lester Zehr, Zehr's Markets Ltd.

Savvas Chamberlain, DALSA Corporation

Eric Peterson & Larry Williamson, Mitra Imaging

Joerg Stieber, Ontario Drive & Gear Ltd.

Fred Stork, Unitron

Howard and Elsie Herrle, Herrle's Country Farm Market

Manfred Conrad, The Cora Group

Walter Hachborn, Home Hardware

Michael Litt, Vidyard

Stephanie Soulis, Little Mushroom Catering

Larry Hundt, Great Canadian Holidays, Coaches and Fleet Services

John Whitney, WHITNEY & Company Realty Ltd.

Peter van der Heyden, Goliger's Travel Plus

Jim Moss, Plasticity Labs

Ron Caudle, Caudle's Catch Seafood

Georgia Cunningham, SG Cunningham Ltd.

Carol Leaman, Axonify

Vernon Erb, Erb Transport

Alan Quarry, Quarry Communications

Paul Maxwell, Maxwell's Concerts & Events

Kurtis McBride, Miovision Technologies

Jody Schnarr and John Stix, Fibernetics

Francine Chambers and Carinne Chambers-Saini, Diva International Inc.

Don Bowman, Dave Caputo, Tom Donnelly, Marc Morin, and Brad Siim, Sandvine

Joseph Fung, TribeHR, Kiite and Uvaro

Junior Achievement

Originally formed in 1919, Junior Achievement is now one of the world's largest youth-serving NGOs. JA prepares young people for employment and entrepreneurship, delivering hands on, experiential learning in work readiness, financial health, and entrepreneurship. Reaching more than 10 million young people last year, JA is one of few organizations with the scale, experience, and passion to build a brighter future for the next generation of innovators, entrepreneurs, makers, and managers.

At JA South Western Ontario, we believe in the boundless potential of youth—and we create opportunities for them to explore this potential through hands-on learning.

JA equips young people with the employment and entrepreneurship skills and mindsets they need to succeed. By building abilities and nurturing self-belief, JA prepares youth for the future of work, ensures they have the tools to be financially capable adults, and teaches them to think entrepreneurially.

Core Values

Values:

- Believing in the boundless potential of young people
- Advocating for the impact of relevant, hands-on learning
- Teaching principled market-based economics and entrepreneurship that build a more sustainable world
- Approaching our work with passion, honesty, integrity, and excellence
- Seeking out diverse backgrounds, perspectives, and talents in our staff, volunteers, and boards to reflect the geographies and communities we serve
- Nurturing the power of partnership and collaboration

Nomination Details

Please describe how the nominee meets the following criteria:

Vision: Inductees will have demonstrated outstanding vision as an entrepreneur in one or more of their organizations and achievement of a high level of respect within the business and public communities

Leadership: Inductees will have demonstrated leadership throughout their lives and have a record of leading others to success

Integrity: Inductees have operated their businesses with integrity, following ethical business practices, treating employees and customers with respect, and potentially implementing a triple bottom line system to measure corporate success

- Nominations can be completed in point form
- Supporting documentation may be included in your nomination package. This may include newspaper or other media documentation, reference to journals or other articles, or a list of philanthropic or civic organizations the nominee has supported
- The inductee must agree to be present at the Waterloo Region Entrepreneur Hall of Fame Gala
- Nominations may be posthumous. It is expected that a family member will attend the event and accept the award on their behalf
- Nominations must be submitted before or on December 31, 2023

Please send completed nomination forms and accompanying material to:

JA South Western Ontario
15 Wharncliffe Rd North
London, ON N6H 2A1

Or by email to:

info@jaswo.org

For further information regarding the Waterloo Region Entrepreneur Hall of Fame, please contact Alicia Gall, agall@jaswo.org.

2024 Waterloo Region Entrepreneur Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Full Name of Nominee: _____

Posthumous Nominee? Yes No

Title: _____

Company Name: _____

Number of years Company has been operating: _____

Contact Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Please provide your rationale for your nomination. This can be done in point form. Please limit your nomination to two pages, maximum. You may include other supporting documentation.

Vision:

Leadership:

Integrity:

Contribution back to community (if applicable)