

Richmond Business Awards 2016



Winning team is cut above

A salon in Barnes has beaten 1,000 others to be crowned the best colourists in the country.

A team, *pictured*, from the Sinead Kelly salon, based in White Hart Lane, entered and won the 2016 L'Oreal colour

trophy awards, the hairdressing industry's longest running and most fashion led hairdressing awards.

Ms Kelly said: "I am absolutely delighted for my team. Mostly I am proud at what they have achieved."

Businesses receive help

RICHMOND Chamber of Commerce provides five-and-a-half hours of monthly learning and development sessions to more than 5,000 businesses in the borough.

The monthly sessions include mentoring with experienced business professionals, masterclasses with experts in fields including IT, digital marketing, finance, HR, legal and business development.

The Richmond Business Awards Training and Development category is sponsored by St Mary's University and there is still time to enter for the opportunity for your organisation to be recognised.

Last year's winners were Hanover IT, while Richmond Theatre and Waitrose in East Sheen were highly commended.

Another hotly contested category is Best New Start Up award, which was won last year by Brilliant Play Solutions.

Chamber chief executive Anne Newton said: "More than 90 per cent of businesses are micro locally and as a consequence the Chamber and the Richmond and Twickenham Times make a point via these Awards of celebrating and supporting these business owners and their teams; these are potentially the Haymarkets and PayPals of the future."

Wright CFO and Le Salon Prive were also highly commended in the Best New Start Up category and Ms Newton said they demonstrated researching and shaping a business based on a strong idea and then creating sustainable employment and helping to deliver prosperity to the local economy.

Each of these organisations enjoyed a Gala Awards evening and exposure to spur more growth, and Ms Newton said: "All businesses who entered this category found that by ring-fencing invaluable time to reflect on just how much they and their teams had achieved in recent times was something they rarely did and would do more of."

"They found that they had achieved so much and also found areas for improvement too."

The Chamber and the Richmond and Twickenham Times deliver an annual Richmond Entrepreneurs Conference where Chamber businesses and mentors support start-up and established entrepreneurs further develop their insights, skills and contacts.

Ms Newton said: "The Chamber markets, supports and represents business and CSR across the area."

In brief

Thursday, August 25 – Chamber Business Evening at Old Deer Park, Richmond.

Tuesday, September 6 – Chamber Coffee Morning at The Dysart Petersham TW10 7AA.

Thursday, September 8 – Chamber Business Masterclass: Make Social Media Work for your Business.

Monday, September 12 – Exclusive Members-only Chamber Group Mentoring Programme.

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Monday, September 13, 6pm – Exclusive Members only - Chamber Group Mentoring Programme, Richmond upon Thames College, Room E20A.

Thursday, September 15, 12.30pm – Chamber Business Lunch at The Crown St Margarets.

Tuesday, September 20, 2pm – Chamber Business Masterclass: Customer journey mapping and identifying magic moments, Morrisons Solicitors.

Thursday, September 22, 7.30am – Chamber Business Breakfast at The Plough, East Sheen.

Thursday, September 29, 6.30pm – Chamber Business Evening with unique wine tasting at Twickenham Experience, Twickenham Stadium.

Tuesday, October 4, 10am – Chamber Coffee Morning at St Mary's University, Twickenham.

Monday, October 10, 2pm – Chamber Business Workshop: The Dimensions of Successful Leadership, Harlequins Football Club.

Thursday, October 13, 6.30pm – Chamber Cocktail Party at Livin Kitchens TW9 2SE.

Thursday, October 20, 7.30pm – Chamber Business Breakfast with Dr Tania Mathias MP at The Lensbury

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