



Press Release Announcement

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Second Annual Excellence in Business Award Calls for Entries

**** 15 October Entry Deadline ****

Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce issued a call for entries today for its Excellence in Business Awards, the only awards in the Commonwealth that focus on honoring Asian American Pacific entrepreneurship achievements. Award winners will be recognized at the Second Annual Asian Chamber Gala, a Black Tie event to be held Wednesday December 1st, 2010 at the historic Jefferson Hotel in Richmond. International diplomats, the Governor, and selected members of his Cabinet; members of the Virginia Assembly, national and statewide business and economic development, technology, and academic leaders have been invited and all expect to attend the glitzy event.

The Excellence in Business awards are given in three (3) categories and recognize the Commonwealth of Virginia's top Asian small businesses that also make a long lasting contribution to society by combining innovation, business leadership, and social responsibility. *"The companies selected for the awards are those demonstrating entrepreneurial success and abilities to apply innovation in management and/or technology processes. They deliver exceptional service to their customers, an impeccable product and service, and sustain a loyal following and a prosperous business despite a challenging global economy"* said Tinh Phan, Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce's Chairman.

The three (3) award categories are: The *Vanguard Business Award*, the *Emerging Business Award*, and the *Business of the Year Award*. Winners will be judged in entrepreneurship success, innovations, visionary leadership, and community involvement. Program judges are leaders and champions in small and emerging business development, innovation, finances, business laws, and public administration: My Lan Tran, of Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce and Virginia Asian Foundation, Wayne Waldrop, of Virginia Department of Business Assistance, Tammy Profit, of Small Business Administration, and Attorney Murty Gollakota of Challa Law Offices. Qualified entrepreneurs from across industry sectors and business sizes are encouraged to apply. The entry deadline is Friday October 15th 2010. Entry criteria, last year winners, and details about six (6) other economic sustainability excellence award categories are available at: www.asianchambergala.org and the social media site: <http://vatopasianbusinesses.ning.com>

About the Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce

The mission of the Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce – www.aabac.org - is to foster, increase, and maximize the economic potential of Virginia's Asian Pacific American businesses by supporting their domestic and international business development efforts.

Virginia Asian Foundation - www.va-asianfoundation.org - is a charitable non-profit 501(c) 3 organization dedicated to offer sustainable solutions that help elevate the quality of life of Asian Americans. The Foundation funds all educational activities of the Asian Chamber.

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