

GREATER PHOENIX CHAMBER

ATHENA AWARDS

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The Greater Phoenix Chamber's ATHENA Awards program recognizes and celebrates the achievements of businesswomen across the Greater Phoenix region. The ATHENA Award, an internationally prized honor, recognizes women who demonstrate excellence in professional leadership, community service, and mentorship of future leaders. Each year, the Greater Phoenix Chamber's ATHENA Awards highlight three women at the top of their field, who demonstrate inspiring leadership within their industry, mentor women throughout their career, and dedicate themselves to the community.

The Greater Phoenix Chamber proudly hosts one of the most established and highly-regarded ATHENA Awards programs in the country. Over the past 30 years, 50 accomplished and compassionate Valley businesswomen have earned the title of ATHENA. Hundreds more have been named as finalists and thousands have been nominated by their peers, colleagues and admirers. These women are a tribute to leadership. Their contributions to our business community are immeasurable and help propel Phoenix forward.

THE ROLE OF ATHENA AWARD RECIPIENTS

In Greater Phoenix, the ATHENA Awards program is the foremost agent of change helping individuals and organizations open doors of leadership opportunity to women. As the Greater Phoenix Chamber's ATHENA Awards celebrates its 31st year, that philosophy of leadership continues to be a call to action for our local ATHENAs. These ATHENAs continue to donate their time, talent and leadership skills to our community long after receiving their award. Ongoing involvement may include: speaking engagements, acting as a spokesperson for the ATHENA program, writing guest editorials, mentoring future leaders, and continued participation in the Chamber's ATHENA program.

WHO IS AN ATHENA?

An ATHENA recipient must meet three specific criteria:

- **Leadership:** Demonstrates excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession in the Greater Phoenix area.
- **Mentorship:** Assists others, both professionally and personally, in reaching their full leadership potential.
- **Community Service:** Provides valuable service by devoting consistent and continuous time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the Greater Phoenix community.

In our third decade of honoring ATHENAs, we continue to honor three women—one in the public sector, one in the private sector, and one up-and-coming ATHENA young professional.

TIME REQUIREMENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2018

Nomination forms due by 5 p.m.
No extensions granted.

FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2018

Application packets due by 5 p.m.
No extensions granted.

THURSDAY, AUG. 9, 2018

ATHENA Nominee Reception (participation recommended)

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 22, 2018

ATHENA Selection Committee panel interview, video interview, and photos (finalists only)

- Private sector: 8 – 11 a.m.
- Public Sector: 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 19, 2018 OR THURSDAY, SEPT. 20, 2018

- Video shoots (finalists only)
- Three hour video shoot at your business location (Private and Public Sector finalists only)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24, 2018

ATHENA Awards Luncheon
JW Marriott Phoenix Desert Ridge

REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

- Must be able to meet the above time commitments.
- **Finalists** must support the ATHENA Awards event as a table host (minimum purchase of one table).
- Individuals currently serving in a publicly elected position are not eligible to participate.
- **Must not have been named a finalist in the prior year.**
- Opportunities to be featured as an event sponsor.

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ALSO AVAILABLE ONLINE | WWW.PHOENIXCHAMBER.COM/NOMINATE

NOMINEE

Nominee Name _____

Title _____

Company Name _____

Company Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____

Email Address _____

Assistant or additional contact name
(if applicable) _____

Assistant or additional contact email
(if applicable) _____

NOMINEE CURRENTLY HOLDS A POSITION IN THE:

PRIVATE SECTOR* including: for-profit corporations, entrepreneurs, and business owners.

PUBLIC SECTOR* including: non-profit, not-for-profit, community service or foundation agencies, local, state or municipal agencies.

- *ATHENA Young Professional nominations must be on the Young Professional nomination form.*
- *Individuals currently serving in a publicly elected position are not eligible to participate.*

*GPCC reserves the right to confirm correct category.

NOMINATOR

Nominator Name _____

Title _____

Company Name _____

Company Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Business Phone _____

Email Address _____

Affiliation with Nominee:

How did you hear about the ATHENA Awards?

Please return nomination form by

FRIDAY, JUNE 22, 2018.

Once the nomination form is received, the nominee and nominator will receive the application packet.

Completed packets will be due by Friday, July 13, 2018.

Send nomination forms to the attention of Community Relations via:

Mail: Greater Phoenix Chamber, 201 N. Central Ave., Suite 2700, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Questions? Contact 602.495.2182 or athena@phoenixchamber.com