FAQ - Gala 2025

Everything you need to know about the Sudbury East Business Awards Gala

Date: November 1, 2025

Time: Cocktail Hour starts at 5pm

Location: Killarney Mountain Resorts - 3 Commissioners St Killarney

Who to contact for any questions or concerns:

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Tickets

Can I buy tickets at the door? No, tickets will *not* be sold at the door. To purchase tickets visit our <u>website</u>.

Are there discounts for Chamber members? Yes! A member-exclusive discount code is available to all members. If you're a member in good standing and didn't receive a code, let us know and we'll send it to you.

Is there a discount for purchasing a table? Yes. A full table seats 8 and comes with a group discount.

I'm a sponsor, do I need to claim my complimentary tickets? Yes. Sponsors must go online and claim their complimentary tickets using the special sponsor code provided. All tickets must be claimed and guest details submitted by **October 13th**, **2025**. Didn't receive your code? Contact us and we'll resend it.

What does my ticket include? Your ticket includes entry to the Gala, a full dinner, entertainment, the awards ceremony, and an unforgettable evening with the Sudbury East business community.

Accommodations

Can I book a room for the night? Yes. KML has a block of rooms set aside for Gala guests. Book through this link or call 1-800-461-1117. *Make sure to mention you are booking for the Sudbury East Chamber Gala.*

<u>Guests</u>

What's the dress code? The Gala is a formal event. Think cocktail attire, suits, or what you'd wear to a classy holiday party.

Do I need to be a member to attend? Not at all! You don't need to be a member or even a business owner. Everyone is welcome to celebrate with us.

Can we use the Gala as our company Christmas party? Absolutely! It's a perfect way to celebrate. Reserve a table or two (each table seats 8) and receive a discounted rate. It's an effortless way to bring your team together and no need to plan a separate event!

I have dietary restrictions. Can you accommodate that? Yes. The menu will include vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options.

What time should I arrive? The evening starts at 5pm with a cocktail hour and check in is at 4pm.

Nominations & Judging

How do I nominate a business? Visit our <u>nomination page</u> and complete the online form.

Who can nominate a business? Anyone! You can nominate your own business, a peer, a nonprofit, or someone you admire.

What happens after a business is nominated? The nominee will be contacted and asked to complete a detailed nomination package. Only those who complete the package will be eligible for judging.

How are finalists selected? Finalists are chosen based on how well their nomination package meets the judging criteria.

When is the nomination deadline? All nominations must be submitted by September 12, 2025

Will nominees be announced? Yes. After the deadline, we'll publicly announce all official nominees by category.

When will the winners be announced? Winners will be revealed live at the Gala.

Do nominees need to attend the Gala to win? No, but attending is strongly encouraged so winners can accept in person and be celebrated.

Who are the judges? Our judging panel is made up of impartial professionals from outside the Sudbury East area.

How are winners chosen? Judges score nomination packages using a rubric that includes business growth, innovation, customer service, community impact, and more.

Ways to Support the Gala

Become a Sponsor - We have amazing sponsorship packages designed to spotlight your business and show your support for the local business community. With multiple levels to choose from, there's an option for every budget and visibility goal.

Donate a prize - Prize donors will be recognized during the Gala and across our social media platforms. It's a great way to promote your business and show your community spirit.

Spread the word! Help us make this year's Gala unforgettable by sharing it on social media, tagging your friends, nominating your favourite businesses, and let your network know about this incredible night of celebration!

If you have any questions that are not answered send an email to info@sudburyeastchamber.com