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NOVA AWARDS TO BRING SPARKLE TO PORCUPINE MINING CAMP

Timmins' premiere business event takes place April 16

Thursday, April 9, 2009 (TIMMINS) - The Timmins Chamber of Commerce is gearing up to host its annual NOVA Business Excellence Awards the evening of Thursday, April 16th. The seventh annual celebration is considered the premiere event that celebrates business excellence in our community. In recognition of a year filled with milestones and anniversaries in the community (including the kick-off of centennial celebrations of the City of Timmins and the Chamber's own 60th anniversary) the stellar awards ceremony will pay homage to rich history of the Porcupine Mining Camp as it sparkles with gold, zinc, copper and diamond-inspired glamour.

The venue, the historic McIntyre Arena, will be utterly transformed featuring all that is mining – from classic mining features to the sparkling final products. Awards gala attendees will be treated to the music of local artists Chantal Delorme, who will perform during the pre-awards celebration, and The Shaftmen, who will lend their talent for post-awards celebration. Nova Awards finalists will be treated to an exclusive, pre-party event, where they can meet fellow finalists before making grand “red carpet” entrances to the Awards ceremony. Art Pultz, of Rogers Communications - Q92/EZ Rock and Sharon Bowes of CTV Sudbury will emcee the gala ceremony, staged in front of two headframes made especially for the event. In addition to the presentation of the 2009 Nova Awards, the ceremony will feature a video presentation of the pioneer Porcupine Camp and its growth to what is now known as the City of Timmins.

The Nova Awards are not only meant to honour and recognize the achievements of the business community, but also to give business professionals and community members the chance to come together for a one of a kind event. This is a first-class evening that must be seen to believe, so be sure to act fast to secure your tickets for the 2009 Nova Awards.

Gala tickets are \$60 for members and \$70 for future members. Contact To reserve your tickets or for more information, contact the Chamber office at 360-1900, or visit the website at www.timminschamber.on.ca/nova.htm