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Winners of 2020 Hong Kong LGBT+ Inclusion Awards Announced

Hong Kong, 31 July 2020 – Community Business, a leading not-for-profit organisation advancing responsible and inclusive business practices in Asia, revealed yesterday the winners of its **2020 Hong Kong LGBT+ Inclusion Awards**. The results were announced at the fundraising Awards Ceremony held on 30 July virtually, in commemoration of the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia (IDAHOT). The virtual Awards Ceremony featured comedian Ryan Hynes and Community Business' Tina Arcilla as MCs, a performance from Brigitte Mitchell and a cocktail tutorial featuring Agung Prabowo, CEO and Founder of The Old Man.

Established in 2015, the Hong Kong LGBT+ Inclusion Awards recognise the significant contribution made by companies, individuals and community organisations towards LGBT+ equality and inclusion in Hong Kong. It also provides an important platform for the finalists and winners to promote and amplify their meaningful efforts. The award nominations have been assessed based on the extent to which they are strategic, proactive, impactful, sustainable and paying it forward.

"We seldom stop to celebrate the incredible work being done by companies and their employees to create social change in Hong Kong. The LGBT+ Inclusion Awards is one of the few opportunities for us to do so. It's heartbreaking conduct this event virtually, but I hope that we do justice to the dedication and personal effort that's gone into all the nominations we received for these awards. I am astounded at the quality of submissions this year; all applicants deserve to be honoured and celebrated. I would like to personally recognise everyone for the hard work that's been done this year - against some exceptionally challenging headwinds - to create a better environment for our LGBT+ community and for the next generation of LGBT+ employees. You lead, inspire and motivate others with the work that you do. Thank you!" said Peter Sargent, CEO of Community Business

2020 Hong Kong LGBT+ Inclusion Award Winners

Award	Winner
LGBT+ Network Award sponsored by Credit Suisse	J.P. Morgan, J.P. Morgan PRIDE Hong Kong
LGBT+ Newcomer Award sponsored by HSBC	Eaton HK
LGBT+ Executive Sponsor Award	Bill Greene, Morgan Stanley
LGBT+ Inclusion Champion Award sponsored by Thomson Reuters	Michael Lam, Goldman Sachs
LGBT+ Ally Award sponsored by AXA	Sean Navin, Goldman Sachs
LGBT+ Advocacy Award sponsored by Manulife	Dr Travis S K Kong, The University of Hong Kong
LGBT+ Community Impact Award sponsored by Goldman Sachs	Les Corner Empowerment Association 女角平權協作組, Supporting Lesbian – Away from Partner Domestic Violence Project 支援女同志--遠離伴侶家暴計劃
LGBT+ Youth Champion Award	Aaron Chan Chun Tat, DLA Piper Hong Kong

Full biographies for each winner can be found [here](#).

To assist with the selection of the final winner for each award, Community Business convened a [judging panel](#) comprising of two external experts, a senior executive from the award sponsor (if any), and two judges from Community Business.

For more information about 2020 Hong Kong LGBT+ Inclusion Awards, please refer to [Community Business' website](#).

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About Community Business

Community Business is a not-for-profit organisation (Hong Kong Charity Number 91/6560) whose mission is to lead, inspire and support businesses to have a positive impact on people and communities. A recognised leader in advancing responsible and inclusive business practices in Asia, Community Business facilitates networks, conducts research and events, leads programmes and campaigns and provides consulting and training. Our focus on responsible business is aligned to four mission-led themes:

- Building responsible leadership
- Tackling workplace inequality
- Ensuring employee wellbeing
- Promoting social inclusion

Falling underneath the tackling workplace inequality theme, Community Business' **Creating Inclusive Workplace for LGBT+ Employees Campaign**, launched in 2008, has been a long-term and sustained effort designed to encourage and support companies to put LGBT+ inclusion firmly on their corporate agenda.

The campaign aims to:

- Raise awareness of LGBT+ inclusion as a business issue
- Increase understanding of LGBT+ issues from an Asian perspective
- Encourage and support companies to create inclusive workplaces for their LGBT+ employees in Asia
- Advocate for positive change in wider society

Founded in 2003 and based in Hong Kong with a presence in India and the United Kingdom, Community Business works with companies of all sizes and from diverse industries across Asia, harnessing the power of business to drive social change. For more information, please visit www.communitybusiness.org.

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