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**The Second Annual Vermont  
ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award®**

The ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award® program was founded in 2007 by ATHENA International to honor emerging women leaders who demonstrate excellence, creativity and initiative in their business or profession. Recipients must also demonstrate their commitment to service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in their community while serving as a role model for young women personally and professionally.

**Call for Nominations**

The ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award® recognizes women 40 years old and younger who meet each of the following criteria:

- Demonstrates excellence, creativity, and initiative in their business or profession
- Provides valuable service by contributing time and energy to improve the quality of life for others in the community
- Clearly serves as a role model for young women personally and professionally

**The Process**

You may nominate yourself or others using the above criteria, and you may also submit nominations for multiple nominees.

ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award® nominees must work in Vermont, be 40 years old or younger at the nomination submission deadline and have a minimum of five years professional experience. Prior recipients are not eligible.

A panel of prominent business leaders from across Vermont will review all nomination forms and select the ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award® recipient. All ATHENA nominees will be recognized at the ATHENA Award® Gala on Saturday, November 7th, 5:30 p.m. at Capital Plaza, Montpelier, Vermont, or virtually. An evening of dinner and dancing will honor the recipient and the ATHENA Model. The recipient must be present to accept their award and can attend virtually.

**Completed nomination forms must be submitted to Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce by 5 p.m. on August 28, 2020.**

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**COMPLETING THE FORM**

- Nominations for the ATHENA Young Professional Leadership Award® must be submitted using this official nomination form and format
- To access the electronic version of this form, please visit [www.centralvt.com](http://www.centralvt.com)
- Additional documentation is limited to one page (e.g. résumé)
- Links to social media will not be accepted
- You are encouraged to work closely with your nominee to complete their nomination

Did you verify the nominee is able to attend the ATHENA Award® Gala on November 7th? (Virtual Attendance Accepted for 2020).

Yes       No

**RETURN COMPLETED FORM BY 5PM ON AUGUST 15, 2020 TO:**

Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce  
Attn: ATHENA  
33 Stewart Road  
PO Box 336  
Barre, VT 05641

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Fax (802) 229-5713  
Questions? Contact Tonya at (802) 229-5711

**DATE OF APPLICATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINEE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATOR**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_





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When answering the following, please provide quantitative information regarding how the nominee meets the award criteria.

**I. PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP:** The nominee shall have a demonstrable history of fostering innovative ideas in an industry or in various industries. They clearly contribute to constant development, initiative and creativity. List and describe the significant contributions the nominee has made as an emerging leader to their organization. Address specific contribution areas such as quality of the organization's products and/or services, increased customer and/or employee satisfaction, etc. Include impact on growth or financial growth. Also, list special recognitions, projects and achievements. Include business-related affiliations, directorships, trusteeship or other designations. (limit to 250 words)

**II. COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP:** The nominee must provide valuable service to improve the quality of life for others within their community. Please list local, county and state level participation, length of service and offices held in civic and service organizations, charitable activities, political pursuits, religious groups, chambers of commerce, merchants' associations, etc. (limit to 250 words)





**III. PERSONAL LEADERSHIP:** Provide specific examples and detailed descriptions of how the nominee has assisted and mentored young women personally and professionally as evidenced by: mentorship or coaching provided by nominee; influencing or encouraging the career development or advancement of young women; volunteer efforts with organization's whose mission is or is related to the growth, mentorship, or advancement of young women. (limit to 250 words)

**IV. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO CRITERIA:** Include any additional information you feel is important for consideration for your nominee. Including awards, honors, publications, articles and/or testimonials that demonstrate service to their profession, community and aspiring women leaders. (limit to 250 words)

