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BC's Best in Hospitality Honoured at 2025 BCHA Awards of Excellence

VANCOUVER, BC (April 30, 2025) — The [British Columbia Hotel Association](#) (BCHA) is proud to announce the exceptional winners of the 2025 BCHA Awards of Excellence. Recognized by peers and industry leaders during the BCHA Awards of Excellence Gala on April 23 at the Westin Bayshore, Vancouver, this year's recipients represent the very best of British Columbia's hospitality sector.

Among 20 esteemed finalists, seven individuals, businesses, and properties were honoured for their dedication to excellence and leadership in the industry.

"The 2025 BCHA Awards of Excellence recipients are true leaders in our industry," said Paul Hawes, President and CEO of the BCHA. *"Their passion and commitment to delivering exceptional guest experiences reflect the heart of hospitality in British Columbia. These individuals and properties represent the strength, vibrancy, and professionalism that define our sector. We are honoured to celebrate their achievements as part of this year's BCHA Summit."*

The full list of **2025 BCHA Awards of Excellence winners** is as follows:

Accommodation of the Year | Sponsored by Encore Canada

Four Seasons Resort and Residences Whistler

Housekeeping Excellence | Sponsored by Ecolab

The Cove Lakeside Resort



Hotelier of the Year | Sponsored by Western Community College

Kimberley Hughes, Delta Hotels Victoria Ocean Pointe

Sustainability Champion | Sponsored by veritree

Sandman Hotel Group

Leader of the Future | Sponsored by Fortis BC

Eddie Salehi, Delta Hotels by Marriott Kamloops

Community Contribution Award | Sponsored by BC Hospitality Foundation

Lisa Jaeger, Summerland Waterfront Resort & Spa

Culinary Excellence | Sponsored by Helijet

Mitch Shafer, Delta Hotels by Marriott Kamloops

For the full list of finalists, event photos, and more details, visit the official BCHA Summit website.

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About the BC Hotel Association

The BCHA is a non-profit organization that has advocated for the best interests of the province's accommodation sector since 1917. Working closely with over 750 members, partner organizations, and all levels of government, the BCHA champions solutions to issues that affect the successful operations of accommodation businesses including the workforce shortage, labour mobility, the impact of short-term vacation rentals, and more.

Mission

Shaping the future of Hospitality. We advocate, communicate, and educate.

Values

Leadership | Respect | Collaboration

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