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SBA Seeks the Best of Small Business in Hawaii **2011 Small Business Awards Nominations Now Open**

Honolulu, HI – Nominations are being accepted for the prestigious **SBA Small Business Awards for 2011** until Friday, November 19, 2010. The SBA honors continue to be one of the most competitive, comprehensive and visible awards presented to small businesses in the state. With a record of recognizing excellence in small business for more than 20 years, past SBA winners have included outstanding small companies such as Bale Sandwich and Bakery, Baldrige and Associates Structural Engineering, Inc., Old Lahaina Luau, L&L Drive In, Rising Sun LLC, Haliimaile General Store, Leather Soul, Martin and MacArthur, Mountain Apple Company, and Pictures Plus.

The 2011 SBA award categories include:

- **SBA's Small Business Person of the Year**
- **Entrepreneurial Success Award**
- **Family-Owned Business of the Year**
- **Small Business Exporter**
- **Young Entrepreneur of the Year**
- **Minority Small Business Champion Advocacy Award**
- **Women in Business Champion Advocacy Award**
- **Veteran Small Business Champion Advocacy Award**
- **Financial Services Champion Advocacy Award**
- **Home-Based Business Champion Advocacy Award**

Any individual or organization may submit a nomination for an SBA Small Business Award. The required nomination forms with detailed information for each of the ten award categories can be found and downloaded from the web at the Hawaii Small Business Development Center Network site, www.hawaii-sbdc.org . Completed nomination forms should be submitted to the SBA District Office at 500 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 1-306, Honolulu, HI 96813 by 4:00 p.m. on November 19, 2010. For more information, call SBA at 808-541-2990.

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