

MISSISSIPPI SBA HONORS ITS 2009 SMALL BUSINESS AWARD WINNERS

On Tuesday, June 16th, the Mississippi SBA honored its 2009 SBA Small Business Person and Champions at the Mississippi e-Center @ JSU in Jackson, MS.

Almost 200 small business entrepreneurs, business advocates, and public citizens attended the event to congratulate these individuals and wish them continued success.

Pictured below are the 2009 SBA Mississippi Small Business Award winners. Visit www.sba.gov/ms to download a 2010 SBA Small Business Nomination Form:



Small Business Person of the Year
Richard A. Moore
President, Evevox
Ridgeland, MS



Women in Business Champion
Mary Canavan Werner
President, Tupelo Manufacturing
Tupelo, MS



Home-Base Business Champion
Shirley T. McLendon
Owner, Mi-Da Maps
Hernando, MS



Veteran Small Business Champion
Charles E. Harkless, Jr.
Formerly Project Manager
SJB Group, LLC
Jackson, MS



Small Business Exporter (Team)

Erin N. Hayne, Owner & Designer
Nuno Goncalves Ferreira, Founder &
Designer
NunoErin
Jackson, MS



Financial Services Champion

Thelman Larry Anderson
Director, Resources Division
Central MS Planning & Development
District
Jackson, MS



Minority Small Business Champion

Cathye Ross-Amos
Owner, Ross Business Partnerships,
LLC
Gulfport, MS



Entrepreneurial Success

Celeste Foster O'Keefe
CEO, The Dancel Group
D'Iberville, MS



Small Business Journalist

Dr. John J. Woods
Freelance Writer, Magnolia Outdoor
Communications
Clinton, MS