

□ And the winner is...

Celebrating 31 Years of Small Business Awards

by Carrie Rice

The Chamber of Commerce of Huntsville/Madison County held a 1960's themed, black-tie gala at the Davidson Center for Space Exploration to announce the 2016 Small Business Award (SBA) winners across 14 categories. More than 950 people attended the gala to support our 130 contenders!



Gronberg

Clearly, there is no shortage of outstanding small businesses in Huntsville and Madison County as the Chamber received more than 1,700 SBA nominations this year! We also added several new SBA categories (see asterisk categories). To determine the winners, the Vail Valley Partnership kindly provided a panel of judges. All applications were submitted directly to Vail Valley Partnership through a secure server and evaluated anonymously.



McLain

Thanks to Presenting Sponsor S3 and all our additional sponsors and volunteers! Also, a very special thanks to our fab emcees for the evening, Jeff Gronberg, President and CEO of deciBel Research, who also serves as the 2016 Chamber Vice Chair for Small Business and Events, and WHNT news anchor Clarissa McLain.

See winners on pages 16-17

*Brewery of the Year:
Straight To Ale LLC



*Medical Practice of the Year:
BrookeMD Primary Care



*Culinary Business of the Year:
LawLers Barbecue



Business/Professional Services Business
of the Year: Transcend LLC

Emerging Business of the Year:
Cintel Strategies, Inc.



Russell G. Brown Executive Leadership
Award: **Tim Thornton**, nLogic, LLC



Young Professional
of the Year
Alana Parker
Rocket City Drywall
& Supply, Inc.