

# Nominees announced for Top Women in Business and Government Awards



A wide selection of prominent women have been nominated as finalists in the 2005 Top Women in Business and Government Awards, which take place on 10 August 2005.



Extensive research into South Africa's leading woman-owned, woman-run and gender empowerment companies and into South Africa's leading women across the public and private sector, has seen the best represented in this year's awards.

The awards are hosted in conjunction with the Top Women in Business and Government's conference, themed 'Women Creating Wealth - Leadership in Business', which takes place the day after the awards and is sponsored by Standard Bank.

Topics for the conference include harnessing the opportunities of BEE; the value of diversity in human capital; international gender empowerment policy trends, Gender in the Budget 2005 and how South Africa's Financial Services Industry is Servicing Women.

The nominees for Top Businesswoman of the Year, taken from the Category of Top Four Women Business Personalities of the Year, are Gloria Serobe; Brenda McQueen; Christine Ramon; Dr Danisa Baloyi; Futhi Mtoba; Nunu Ntshingila; Wendy Luhabe; Wrenelle Stander; Zarina Bassa; Jane Raphaely and Hixonias Nyasulu.



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category of Top 4 Woman in Government and Govt Agencies sees South Africa's leading public officials in the following sub-categories nominated:

## National Ministers

Minister Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma: Foreign Affairs  
Minister Stella Sigcau: Public Works  
Minister Geraldine Fraser-Moloketi: Public Service/Administration  
Minister Thoko Didiza: Agriculture and Land Affairs  
Minister Buyelwa Patience Sonjica: Water Affairs and Forestry  
(Former) Minister Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka: Minerals and Energy  
Minister Brigitte Sylvia Mabandla: Justice and Constitutional Development  
Minister Lindiwe Nonceba Sisulu: Housing  
Minister Nosiviwe Mapisa-Nqakula: Home Affairs  
Minister Mantombazana Tshabalala-Msimang: Health  
Minister Naledi Pandor: Education  
Minister Ivy Matsepe-Casaburri: Communications

## **National Deputy Ministers**

(Former) Deputy Minister Lindiwe Hendricks: the Department of Trade & Industry  
Deputy Minister Sue van der Merwe: the Department of Foreign Affairs  
Deputy Minister Cheryl Gillwald: the Department of Correctional Services  
Deputy Minister Jean Benjamin: Social Development  
Deputy Minister Ntombazana Gertrude Winifred Botha: Arts and Culture  
Deputy Minister Nomatyala Hanga: Provincial and Local Government  
Deputy Minister Rejoice Thizwilondi Mabudafhasi: Environmental Affairs and Tourism  
Deputy Minister Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge: Health  
Deputy Minister Susan Shabangu: Safety and Security  
Deputy Minister Lulama Xingwana: Minerals and Energy

## **Provincial & Local Government Premiers**

Zisiwe Nosimo Beauty Balindlela: Eastern Cape Premier  
Beatrice Marshoff: Free State Premier  
Ednah Molewa: North West Premier  
Elizabeth Dipuo Peters: Northern Cape Premier

## **Government Agencies and Parastatals**

Raisibe Morathi: Chief Operating Officer: IDC  
Thembi Nwedamutswu: Chief Executive Officer: IDT  
Alice Nomvuyiso Damane: Chief Executive Officer: SEDA

This year's awards sees the introduction of three new categories: Top Gender-CSI Company of the Year, Top Company to Work for as a Woman and Top Female Leader of Tomorrow. The remaining categories look at the Top 5 Companies that Promote Women, the Top Emerging Woman-Owned Company and then the Top Woman-Owned Company, Top Entrepreneur, Top Success Story and the Top Young Achiever in Government.

The awards will be held at the Emperor's Palace in Gauteng to coincide with the National Women's Day celebrations. Hosted by Leanne Manas, with speeches by The Top Business Woman 2004, Wendy Lucas-Bull and Top Woman in Government 2004, Cheryl Carolus.

To find out more about the Awards categories, criteria, judges and nominees, contact Ilse Fourie on 021 441 2500 or email

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