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Press Release: Nominations Now Open for the 2024 Fab5 Young Professional Awards

The Tompkins Connect organization is thrilled to announce that nominations for the highly anticipated 2024 Fab5 Awards are now open. Celebrating its 8th year, the Annual Fab5 Awards highlight and celebrate the achievements of all-star young professionals who are excelling in their fields and making an impact in Tompkins County.

The Fab5 Awards spotlight excellence in five key areas:

- Business Leader of the Year
- Not-for-Profit Leader of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Emerging Leader of the Year
- Industry Leader of the Year.

Each year's ceremony is a memorable event, showcasing the diverse talents and achievements that drive our community forward.

Those familiar with the event may notice that two of the award categories have changed. The introduction of an award for Industry Leader of the Year acknowledges those whose careers are in the trades or service industry, and will honor a young professional whose skill and passion guides their industry towards excellence. Additionally, Rookie of the Year has been re-named Emerging Leader of the Year, and the standalone award for Entrepreneur of the Year has been retired. Instead, worthy entrepreneurs may be nominated for either Emerging Leader of the Year or Business Leader of the Year, depending on their business' tenure, impact, and the nominator's best judgment.

Nominations are open until November 4th, 2024. Community members are encouraged to submit nominations for deserving candidates who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and impact in these categories. Whether you know a visionary leader in local business, a dedicated craftsperson, or an inspiring community servant, now is the time to ensure their contributions are recognized.

To submit nominations and learn more about the awards, visit Tompkins Connect's awards page at https://www.tompkinsconnect.org/awards. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate the remarkable individuals and organizations shaping our community's future.

The Annual Fab5 Awards is volunteer-run and supported fully by local business sponsorships. For further information about the event, the awards, or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Tompkins Connect at tompkinsconnect@gmail.com.