

WGOB BOARD LEADERSHIP EXCELLENCE AWARD

Nomination Guidelines



The inaugural **WGOB Board Leadership Excellence Award** honours a woman who is making a difference in the boardroom, guiding corporate governance, and promoting diversity at the board level. This award recognizes her dedication, impact, and influence within the boardroom. Through this new honour, we are pleased to highlight the vital role women play in shaping modern corporate governance, driving change and fostering an inclusive leadership environment.

AWARD GUIDELINES

1. Board Leadership and Strategic Influence

The nominee must demonstrate outstanding leadership abilities and the capacity to significantly influence the board's direction and success through:

- Demonstrated leadership skills that contribute directly to the success of the board
- Presence of evidence regarding practical strategic thinking and sound decision-making abilities
- Proven track record of having a positive effect on team dynamics and organizational culture
- Significant influence on the overall direction and success of the board

2. Contribution to Modern Governance and Change

The nominee must be a woman who is making a difference in the boardroom, shaping the future of governance, and driving essential change through:

- Demonstrated capacity to lead in the boardroom by shaping its future and defining modern governance
- Concrete evidence of actively driving change within the governance structure
- Actions that show her role in guiding corporate governance
- Recognition of her dedication, impact, and influence within the boardroom

TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION

The form requires information about your nominee that will address the guidelines noted above. It should take 20-30 minutes to complete depending on how well you know your nominee.

Complete the nomination form and submit [here](#)

The nomination site is always open!

3. Fostering Diversity and an Inclusive Environment

The award specifically recognizes the vital role women play in fostering an inclusive leadership environment and promoting diversity on boards through:

- A clear commitment to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment
- Demonstrated efforts to promote diversity and inclusion

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- You may nominate as many women as you wish, but please include only one nominee per form
- Nominees do NOT have to be WGOB members
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- Include as much detail as possible
- You will ONLY be notified if your nominee is selected as a finalist
- The winner will receive a personalized award and a one-year Women Get On Board membership. If the winner is already a member, they will receive a complimentary one-year extension to their membership. The award winner's membership onboarding or extension will be completed via email

The WGOB Selection Committee will support WGOB in assessing nominations to ensure a fair and comprehensive review. Through a consensus-based process, the Selection Committee will identify **three finalists**, one of whom will be announced as the award winner at the WGOB Summit.

MEET OUR SELECTION COMMITTEE

Special thanks to our Selection Committee. [Learn more about the members here.](#)

KEY DATES

Nomination Deadline: April 2, 2026 by 5:00 pm ET

Three Finalists will be notified, and their status as a finalist will be announced: by April 20th

The award winner will be announced at the WGOB Summit Toronto: May 11, 2026

Celebrate at our fifth annual WGOB Summit:
[Register Here](#)