

2024 AWARDS CEREMONY & RECEPTION



ENTREPRENEURIAL CHAMPIONS



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Entrepreneur in Residence,
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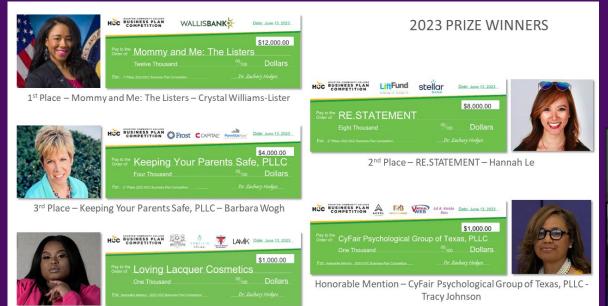
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17 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



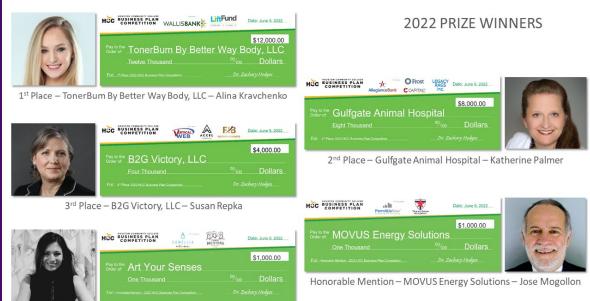
Honorable Mention - Loving Lacquer Cosmetics: Kimberly Loving

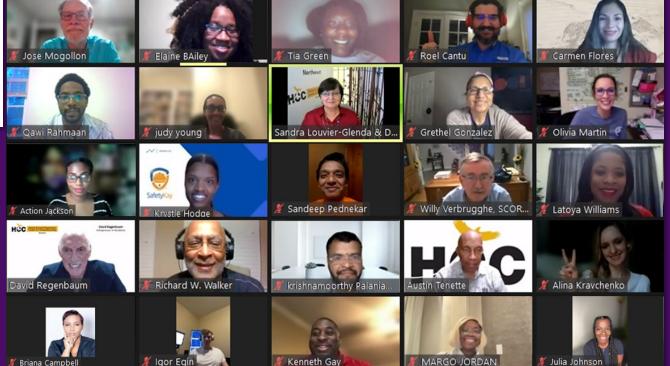






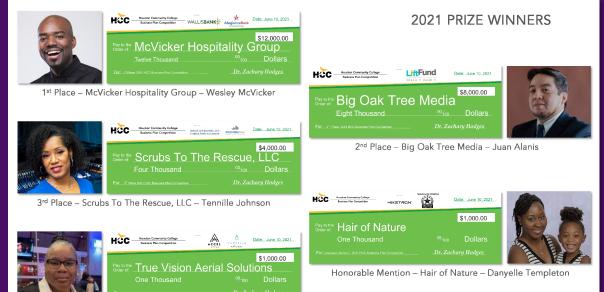
Honorable Mention - Art Your Senses - Carmen Flores





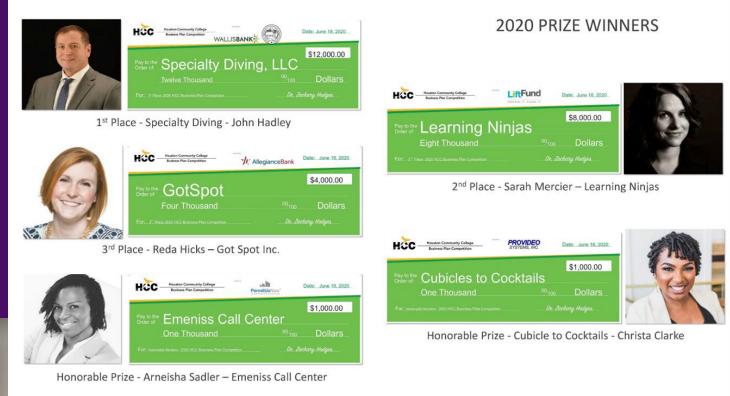


Honorable Mention - True Vision Aerial Solutions - Yolanda Watson



















2018 Winners & Graduates







2018 Award Ceremony









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2017 Ceremony









2016 Winners & Graduates







2015 Winners & Graduates











2014 Winners





2011, 2012 & 2013 Winners









2010 Winners & Graduates













In Memory of John J. "Jack" Barry III

A Special Message to Competition Alumni



Let's gather to welcome new graduates, celebrate past alumni and in memory of Jack Barry. As a founding leader, trainer and judge for the HCC Newspring Business Plan Competition, Jack dedicated 10 years of service to HCC and our entrepreneur alumni, sharing his experience, wisdom, inspiration, and guidance, impacting lives for years to come.













2024 COMPETITION HOW IT WORKS





OUR TEAM



Sandra Louvier



David Regenbaum



Sabiha Dholkawala



Carola Medina



January 11 - Reception & Showcase Start of 2024 Competition Season

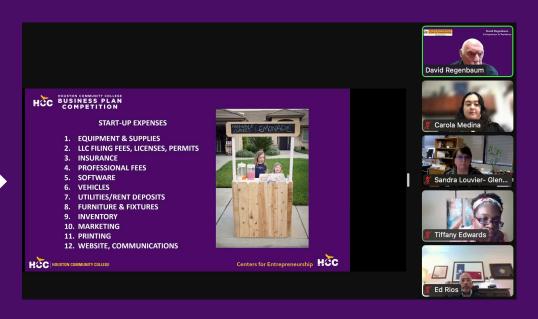


Featuring Sponsors, Past Winners and Applicants Applying by January 31



Financials for Small Business Launch & Growth - Webinars

January 18 — David Regenbaum January 24 — Nannette Ray January 30 — Ed Rios



Advisor Orientation - Virtual - February 8





Role of the Advisor



- Encourage Contestant Teams to meet deadlines and complete the Competition;
- Assist in evaluating business opportunity;
- Review Contestant Team's work regularly, and make suggestions for improvements;
- Lead by example: meet commitments, keep Contestant Teams positive, encourage timeliness, complete work, follow-up of suggestions made;
- Serve as Business Plan Reviewer;
- Attend training sessions with Contestant Teams;
- Spend at least 4 hours per month assisting Contestant Teams.





Thanks again to our 2024 Partners



















Teams Announced End of February Six Training Sessions February - May

Competition Training Sessions

- 1. February 27
- 2. March 5 (O)
- 3. March 19
- 4. April 2
- 5. April 16
- 6. May 7

1 - Roles & ResponsibilitiesDavid Regenbaum 2 - Leadership & Team
Development
Thea Goldin-Smith

3 – Marketing and Sales

Austin Tenette &

Karen Sharp

4 - Financial Requirements Nannette Ray

5 - Putting it All Together - Written Plan Willy Verbrugghe , Karen Sharp & Sandra Louvier

6 – Pitch Presentation
Austin Tenette,
Lyndsey Brantley &
Sandra Louvier



OUR TRAINERS



David Regenbaum

Entrepreneur in Residence, HCC Northwest;
Chairman of the Board, HCC Foundation;
Owner, AMI Institute, LLC, "Retired"
Entrepreneur.



Austin Tenette
Entrepreneur in Residence, HCC Northeast;
Executive Leadership Coach, FocalPoint
Coaching, Silver Fox Advisor.



Thea Goldin-Smith
Faculty, HCC Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small
Businesses; Chief Possibilideas Guide for
Level VII Resources.



Karen SharpPresident, Karen Sharp Consulting;
Former HCC Business Advisor.



OUR TRAINERS



Nannette Ray, MBA
Founder and President of TNR Advisors &
Management Consultants. 2021 Houston
Business Journal "Women Who Mean Business"
honoree.



Lyndsey Brantley
CEO, Camille Alise;
Past Winner – 2019 HCC Business Plan
Competition; BPC Alumni Sponsor



Sandra Louvier
Director, Center for Entrepreneurship - HCC
NW; Past Real Estate Director, Haagen-Dazs
Shoppe Franchisor; Past Owner, Louvier &
Associates; Feasibility Consulting.



Willy Verbrugghe,
Chairman, World Chamber of Commerce
Texas; Lead Advisor, 2024 HCC Business Plan
Competition.



Training Session# 1 Roles & Responsibilities



SMALL BUSINESS STATISTICS

- There are over 31.7 million small businesses in the USA compared to 20,139 businesses that have more than 500 employees.
- > 81% or 25.7 million small businesses have no employees
- > 98% of businesses in the USA have less than 20 employees.
- Small businesses make up 99.7 percent of U.S. employer firms.
- > Small businesses make up 65.1% of net new jobs created since 2000.
- Small businesses produced 16 times more patents per employee than large firms.
- About 10-12 percent of firms with employees open each year and about 10-12 percent close.
- About half of all new establishments survive five years or more and about one-third survive 10 years or more.

US Small Business Administration







Training Session# 2 Leadership & Team Development







Training Session# 3 Business Models, Marketing & Sales





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Training Session# 4 Financial Requirements



HEC BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION

UNDERSTANDING THE CASH NEEDS

- 1. Anticipate needed capital to start business
 - a. Consider start-up investment needs
 - b. Research anticipated operating expenses
 - c. Understand "burn-rate" (Monthly Cash Needs)
 - d. Research, Research
- Develop a cash flow projection model







Training Session# 5 Putting It All Together – Written Plan





Executive Summary - Outline

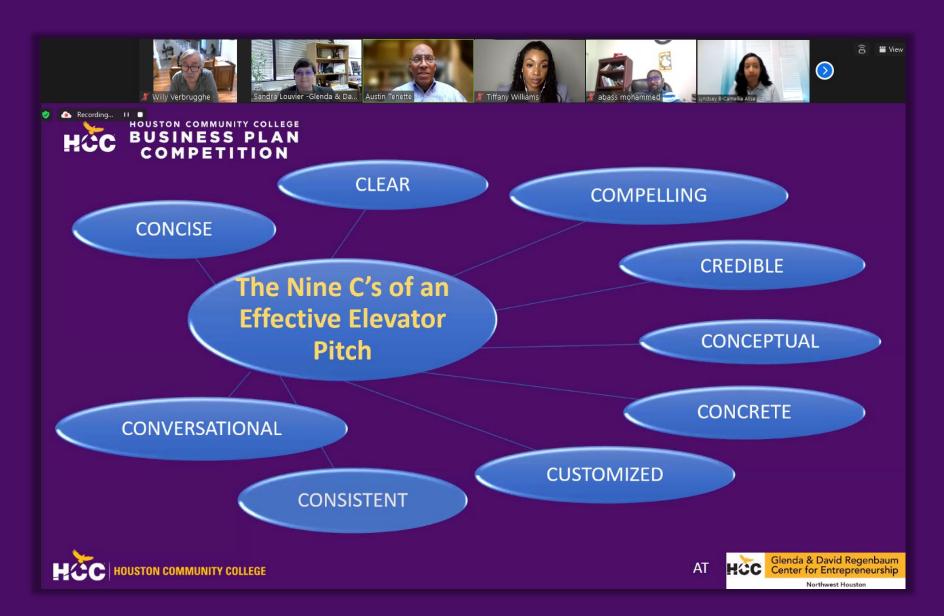
- Business and Business Concept
- Management Team
- What is the opportunity and strategy to take advantage of the opportunity?
- Target Market
- Competitive Advantages
- Basic Economics of the Concept including Profit Potential
- Sources & Uses of Funds
- What will be offered to prospective investors?







Training Session# 6 Pitch Presentation





2024 HCC BPC Graduates - 26 Teams!





2024 GRADUATES



- 123 Sunshine Academy: Laveithia Iheanacho
 - * Advisors: Francisco Gonzalez & Jessica Cole
- ATIME4Marketing: Kathy Hall
 - * Advisors: Daniel Luu & Juan Alanis





- Avva Thach: Avva Thach
 - Advisor: Kiley Summers
- Bligh St. Academy: Bevin Biggers
 - Advisors: Constance Jones & Tim Jeffcoat





- Elegance Galleria: Abass Mohammed
 - * Advisors: Barbara Reiff & Tennille Johnson



2024 GRADUATES



Financial Aid Frenzy: Tajuana Herrell

* Advisor: Steve Rosencranz & Michelle He



Advisors: Clive Defty & Jim Cutler





Leni Tutors, LLC: Elena Ramirez

* Advisors: Michelle Chenault & Carmen Flores

LogisX: Lesline Johnson

Advisors: John Harris & Seymur Rasulov





Noire Telehealth: Alicia Walker

Advisor: Weltonia Harris



2024 GRADUATES



Pailin Law Firm, P.C.: James Pailin Sr.

Advisor: Willy Verbrugghe

Princes Printing Palace: Nicole Richardson

* Advisors: Mike Fadden & Todd Lucas





R J Clifton Designs, LLC: Rhonnika Clifton

* Advisors: Darrell Pevoteaux & Ruchi Gupta

Risk Mitigation Worldwide: Eartha Jean Johnson

Advisors: Sadiq Sameer & Ed Rios





2024 GRADUATES



S.O.E. Enterprises, Inc.: Terry Dike

* Advisors: Gerald Merfish & Nathan Herrington

Shop White Violet: Salma Laurent

* Advisors: Arneisha Sadler & Jan Luc Blackborn





- Sinless Treats Chocolate, LLC: Beatrisa Lerman
 - Advisors: Jim Nordhaus & Steve Brody
- Supervisor.today: Bernadette Smith
 - Advisors: Austin Tenette & Jean Austin





2024 GRADUATES



- The ArcticFlow Cooler: Emily Uzner
 - * Advisors: Sheila Patterson & Venkat Madabusi

- The Vegan Palate: Theresa Parker
 - Advisors: Chuck Weiser & Arete Amana





- Vegan Luxe Esthetics: Brooke Young
 - * Advisors: Sam Cannon & Tina Young-Holman

Congratulations Graduates!
You are all receiving In-Kind Prizes.
Thanks to our generous In-Kind Prize Sponsors



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HCC BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION ALUMNI



FINALIST JUDGING SESSIONS



2024 JUDGES & Competition Leaders



- Robert Zepeda Wallis Bank
- Gary Henderson Stellar Bank
- Sandra Louvier HCC
- Oscar Martinez Frost Bank
- Nannette Ray Faith in Business Foundation
- David Regenbaum- HCC Entrepreneur in Residence
- Jennifer Dale– LiftFund



THE FINALISTS



FlowCare: Tanu Jain

Advisor: Karen Sharp



Advisors: Alejandro Guajardo & Leeanne Aguilar



The Mastermind Learning Center: Monique Carlisle

* Advisors: Patty Sobelman & Dr. Princess Mokolo



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Advisors: Tiffany Williams & Christine Foster





Finalist Presentation FlowCare – Tanu Jain











Finalist Presentation Queen Aesthetics- Simone Steele













Finalist Presentation The Mastermind Learning Center- Monique Carlisle











Finalist Presentation Tori Artis Planners – Tori Artis











Finalist Presentation True Reflections Media – David Lee













Meet our Finalists - One-Minute Videos



Congratulations Finalists!



A few words from each....



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Ed & Aleida Rios



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Honorable Mention Honorable Mention Third Prize Second Prize First Prize

\$ 1,000.00

\$ 1,000.00

\$ 4,000.00

\$ 8,000.00

\$12,000.00



Cash Prize Winners Announced



Monique Carlisle







Date: June 06, 2024

\$1,000.00

Pay to the Order of: The Mastermind Learning Center

One Thousand

00/100

Dollars

For: Honorable Mention - 2024 HCC Business Plan Competition



Tanu Jain







Date: June 06, 2024

\$1,000.00

Pay to the Order of: FlowCare

One Thousand

00/100

Dollars

For: Honorable Mention - 2024 HCC Business Plan Competition



Simone Steele







Ed & Aleida Rios

Date: June 06, 2024

\$4,000.00

Pay to the Order of: Queen Aesthetics

Four Thousand

For: 3rd Place 2024 HCC Business Plan Competition

Dollars



Tori Artis







Date: June 06, 2024

\$8,000.00

Pay to the Order of: Tori Artis Planners

Eight Thousand

For: 2nd Place 2024 HCC Business Plan Competition

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Dollars



David Lee





Date: June 06, 2024

\$12,000.00

Pay to the Order of: True Reflections Media

Twelve Thousand

00/100

Dollars

For: 1st Place 2024 HCC Business Plan Competition



Congratulations 2024 Winners!



1st Place - \$12,000 - True Reflections Media: David Lee

Advisors: Tiffany Williams & Christine Foster



Advisors: Chrisnatha Derosier & Lalitha Raman





3rd Place - \$4,000 - Queen Aesthetics: Simone Steele

* Advisors: Alejandro Guajardo & Leeanne Aguilar



\$1,000 – FlowCare: Tanu Jain

Advisor: Karen Sharp



• \$1,000 – The Mastermind Learning Center: Monique Carlisle

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End Program



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