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Halifax, NS - JA Nova Scotia (JANS) is honoured to announce the 32nd Class of Laureates being inducted into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame on October 15th, 2025 at the Halifax Convention Centre.

These Inductees have been chosen for their unmatched significance; their lifetime contributions to the economic development and growth of Nova Scotia.

Mike Brien, Insurance Industry Retired
Jim Mills, Office Interiors
Thane Stevens, Stevens Group of Companies
George E.M. Lewis, Shipbuilder (posthumous)

"I know our committees have a difficult task each year and I want to thank them for their dedication", says Shannon Harding, Present & CEO of JA Nova Scotia. "I look forward to celebrating our incoming Laureates at this year's Gala."

Bios for each Laureate have been prepared and are published on our website. To view these please visit nsbusinesshalloffame.ca.

Laureates are formally welcomed into the NS Business Hall of Fame at the Induction Gala hosted at the Halifax Convention Centre in Halifax on October 15th, 2025. Tables and tickets to the Gala are now on available to purchase online at www.nsbusinesshalloffame.ca.

Sponsorships are available. Please email Carmen Boyko at cboyko@janovascotia.ca or call 902-225-7193.

The proceeds from the NS Business Hall of Fame Gala support the mission of JA Nova Scotia (JANS) in delivering financial health, work readiness, and entrepreneurship programs to youth across the province. Learn more by visiting www.janovascotia.ca.

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About Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame

The Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame Gala is the largest fundraising initiative for JA Nova Scotia. The event begins when our volunteer nomination and judging committees review lifetime achievement submissions from friends, families and colleagues of Nova Scotia's business leaders and entrepreneurs. The Gala is the final celebration of these amazing people. Held at the Halifax Convention Centre on October 8th, 2025 we will showcase their achievements and welcome them to stand with the other 115 Laureates.

Laureates inducted into the Nova Scotia Business Hall of Fame exemplify growth, courage, success, and leadership in Nova Scotia, and beyond. JA Nova Scotia honours their outstanding lifetime contributions to our province's economic development and growth, and their commitment to being a role model to enterprising young Nova Scotians for generations to come.

These leaders and mentors continually demonstrate business success, superior leadership, a commitment to giving back to the community, and a legacy of achievement and excellence in business and philanthropy to celebrate.

You can learn more by visiting www.nsbusinesshalloffame.ca.

About JA Nova Scotia

Since 1969 JA Nova Scotia has educated and empowered students to make thoughtful financial health, work readiness and entrepreneurial decisions. Our programs are offered, at no cost and provides in-school and extra-curricular hands-on experiential programming for youth aged 5-25, setting them up with real-world scenarios and experiences to encourage them to create their successful future.

Our programs build on and enhance the current curriculum students receive at school, with additional focus and clarity on comprehensive planning for a successful future. We prompt youth to be proactive, get comfortable with things that are unfamiliar and develop autonomy, self-belief and confidence. Learning in the classroom and through extra-curricular activities.

The Team

Shannon Harding - President & CEO

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