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**Best Of Business 2008**

By Arkansas Business Staff  
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We congratulate the winners of the fourth annual Arkansas Business Best of Business Awards! The winners and runners-up are listed on the following pages.

Hundreds of people logged onto [ArkansasBusiness.com](#) to vote for the companies and organizations that they think are the best in the state at what they do. We thank every one of you. After polling ended at midnight Oct. 31, we compiled this unscientific survey.

Our readers shared their opinions on a wide variety of business-related categories, from the best accounting firm to the best trucking company. We hope that you'll enjoy reading the results and will consider using the services of the many fine companies and organizations that made the list.

*Banking/Finance/Insurance/Legal*

**Best Accounting Firm**  
Moore Stephens Frost

Runners-up  
BKD LLP • Thomas & Thomas



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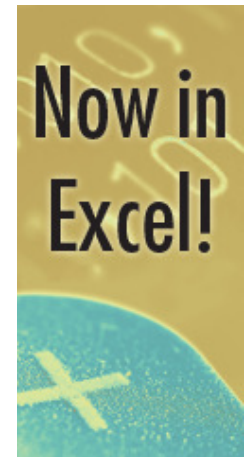
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#### Best Bank for Business

Twin City Bank

Runners-up

Arvest Bank • Metropolitan National Bank

#### Best Financial/Personal Investment Services

Hutchinson Financial Inc.

Runners-up

Trent Capital Management • Metropolitan Capital Management

#### Best Business Insurance Firm

The Hatcher Agency

Runners-up

Mark V. Williamson Co. • Meadors Adams & Lee

#### Best Health Care Insurance Provider

The Hatcher Agency

Runners-up

Arkansas Blue Cross & Blue Shield • QualChoice

#### Best Property and Casualty Insurance Provider

The Cashion Co.

Runners-up

Grace Group Inc. • State Farm

#### Best Life Insurance Provider

The Hatcher Agency

Runners-up

Unum • Principal Life Insurance Co.

#### Best Law Firm

Davidson Law Firm

Runners-up

Friday Eldredge & Clark • Rose Law Firm

#### Building Services

#### Best Architectural Firm

Allison Architects

Runners-up

Cromwell Architects Engineers Inc. • Witsell Evans & Rasco

**Best Electrical Contractor**

Fleming Electric

Runners-up

IK Electric • Little Rock Electric

**Best Engineering Firm**

Grubbs, Hoskyn, Barton & Wyatt Inc.

Runners-up

Garver Engineers • Pettit & Pettit Consulting Engineers Inc.

**Best General Contractor**

CDI Contractors

Runners-up

James H. Cone Inc. • CBM Construction Co.

**Best HVAC Contractor**

Middleton Heat & Air

Runners-up

B.R. McGinty • Bob & Ed's Heating & Air Conditioning Co.

**Best Plumbing Contractor**

Arrow Plumbing

Runners-up

Don M. Houff Plumbing Co. • Ed Loftis Plumbing

**Best Interior Office Design**

Innerplan Office Interiors

Runners-up

Express Yourself • Today's Office

**Best Interior Plant Service**

PLANTation Services

Runners-up

Tipton-Hurst • Cabbage Rose Floral Boutique

**Best Office Cleaning Services**

OJ's Commercial Cleaning

Runners-up

Watson Cleaning Service • Dow Building Services

*Business Equipment*

**Best Cellular Company for Business Use**

AT&T

Runners-up

Alltel • Sprint

**Best Place to Purchase Office Equipment**

Innerplan Office Interiors

Runners-up  
Office Depot • Standard Business Systems

**Best Place to Purchase Office Furniture**  
Innerplan Office Interiors

Runners-up  
Pettus Office Products • Office Depot

**Best Place to Purchase Office Supplies**  
Office Depot

Runners-up  
Pettus Office Products • Staples

**Best Telecommunications Company**  
AT&T

Runners-up  
Optus • N&D Technical Services

*Business Event*  
**Best Caterer for a Special Event**  
Rx Catering

Runners-up  
RSVP Catering • Trio's Restaurant & Catering

**Best Caterer for a Business Box Lunch**  
Jason's Deli

Runners-up  
Jimmy's Serious Sandwiches • Heavenly Ham

**Best Event Rental Service**  
Confetti's Party Rental

Runners-up  
Party Time Rental & Events • Party City

**Best Golf Course for a Business Outing**  
Chenal Country Club

Runners-up  
Maumelle Country Club • Pleasant Valley Country Club

**Best Hotel Stay for a Business Client**  
The Peabody Little Rock

Runners-up  
Capital Hotel • Embassy Suites Little Rock

**Best Place for a Business Conference/Meeting**  
The Peabody Little Rock

Runners-up  
Embassy Suites Little Rock • Little Rock Club

**Best Place for a Company Retreat**  
Red Apple Inn

Runners-up  
The Lodge at Mount Magazine • Couchwood

**Best Place for a Special Event**  
The Peabody Little Rock

Runners-up  
Next Level Events • 1620 Restaurant

**Best Place for an Employee Outing**  
Cajun's Wharf

Runners-up  
Dickey-Stephens Park • IMAX-Aerospace Education Center

**Best Restaurant for a Business Meal**  
Cajun's Wharf

Runners-up  
Brave New Restaurant • Sonny Williams' Steak Room

*Business Services*  
**Best Business Clothier for Men**  
Baumans Fine Men's Clothing

Runners-up  
Dillard's • Greenhaw's Fine Men's Wear

**Best Business Clothier for Women**  
Beyond Cotton

Runners-up  
Dillard's • RK Collections

**Best Business Consulting Firm**  
Entelechy Partners

Runners-up  
Datamax • Pinnacle Performance Solutions

**Best Business School**  
UALR College of Business

Runners-up  
Webster University • Pulaski Technical College

**Best Commercial Printer**  
Magna IV

Runners-up  
Arkansas Graphics • Southern Reprographics

**Best Company for Awards and Custom Products**  
Discount Trophies of Arkansas

Runners-up  
Custom Trophies • Custom Advertising Products

**Best Document Destruction Company**  
Shred-it

Runners-up  
Security Shredding Service • Vital Records Control of Arkansas

**Best Dry Cleaning Service**

Hangers Cleaners

Runners-up  
Schickels Cleaners • Comet Cleaners

**Best Exercise Facility**

Little Rock Athletic Club

Runners-up  
Powerhouse Gym • Conway Regional Athletic Center

**Best Florist**

Tipton-Hurst

Runners-up  
Frances Flower Shop • Friday's Flowers & Gifts

**Best Hospital**

St. Vincent Health System

Runners-up  
Baptist Health • Arkansas Children's Hospital

**Best Motivational Speaker/Trainer**

Greg Hatcher

Runner-up  
Paul Vitale

**Best Promotional Items Company**

ASAP-Advertising Specialties & Promotions

Runners-up  
Trivia Marketing • Victory Dry Goods & Design

**Best Security Company**

APS Security

Runners-up  
ADT Security Services • Boling Security Guard

**Best Spa**

Rejuvenation Clinic & Day Spa

Runners-up  
Caracalla • Arkansas Healing Arts Center

**Best Staffing Firm**

Staffmark

Runners-up  
Best Employment Services • Elite Staffing

**Best Team-Building Center**

C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center

**Best Vending Services**

Easter Vending Services

Runners-up  
Biff's Coffee • Snack Vending

*Computer Services*

**Best Computer Consulting and Training Company**  
LWSI

Runners-up  
Complete Computing • PC Assistance

**Best Computer Services Company**  
Complete Computing

Runners-up  
PC Assistance • LWSI

**Best Technology Consulting Firm**  
PC Assistance

Runners-up  
Complete Computing • N&D Technical Services

**Best Web Site Development Firm**  
Aristotle

Runners-up  
1011 Web Solutions • Rockfish Interactive

*Marketing*

**Best Advertising Agency**  
Stone Ward

Runners-up  
CJRW • Nicholson Communications

**Best Public Relations Agency**  
CJRW

Runners-up  
Mangan Holcomb Partners • Stone Ward

*Nonprofits*

**Best Nonprofit/Charitable Organization**  
Group Living

Runners-up  
American Heart Association • Easter Seals

**Best Nonprofit Fundraising Event**  
Central Arkansas Heart Ball

Runners-up  
Susan G. Komen Arkansas Race for the Cure • Art and Soul

*Real Estate*

**Best Commercial Property Developer**  
Flake & Kelley Commercial

Runners-up

Moses Tucker Real Estate • Lindsey & Associates

**Best Commercial Real Estate Company**

Flake & Kelley Commercial

Runners-up

Lindsey & Associates • ReMax

**Best Commercial Real Estate Management**

Lindsey & Associates

Runners-up

Flake & Kelley Commercial • Colliers International

**Best Residential Real Estate Company**

Pulaski Heights Realty

Runners-up

The Janet Jones Co. • Keller Williams Realty

*Transportation*

**Best Air Charter Service**

Central Flying Service

Runners-up

Omni Air • Jet Med

**Best Airline**

Southwest Airlines

Runners-up

American Airlines • Delta Air Lines

**Best Automobile Dealership**

Landers

Runners-up

Parker Lexus • Bale

**Best Courier Service**

Parrish Delivery

Runners-up

Conway Courier Service • EagleOne

**Best Limousine Service for Business Use**

Little Rock Limousine

Runners-up

Pinnacle Limousine Services • Presidential Limousines

**Best Travel Agency**

Chenal Valley Travel

Runner-up

Poe Travel

**Best Trucking Company**

Hines Trucking

Runners-up



Continental Express • ABF

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