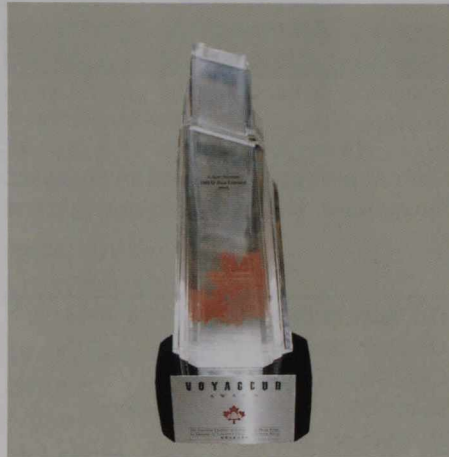


Voyageur Award recognizes entrepreneurial drive

The Voyageur Award, which recognizes the achievements and contributions of successful Canadian businesses in Hong Kong, will be launched for its second year starting in January. The winner will be announced in May.

The award is put on by the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong in association with the Canadian Universities Association, the Chinese Canadian Association and the Canadian Club. The *Hongkong Standard* and *Sing Tao Daily* are media sponsors while Hongkong Telecom is the sole corporate sponsor.

Last year's winner, Bob Thorssen, exemplifies the entrepreneurial spirit that drives the award. His company SMED Asia Ltd imports Canadian office furniture into the



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territory. "Jungle Bob" (as Thorssen is known) now has a thriving business that is expanding into China and Southeast Asia.

The name for the award comes from Canada's history, when voyageurs ex-

plored Canada's vast lakes and rivers by canoe and set up trading posts. Since then the voyageur has become a metaphor for the exploration of new grounds. A very appropriate name for Canadians forging ahead in Hong Kong.

Eligibility for nomination is wide open - Canadian-owned or operated businesses, companies owned or operated by members of the Canadian associations involved, and businesses importing Canadian products are all eligible to win. Franchises are not eligible.

Full details and entry ballots will be run in the *Standard* every Tuesday between January 18 and February 22 and in *Sing Tao* every Friday from January 7 - February 25. ♦

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