



## See the 18 O.C. finalists for Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year

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Banc of California president and CEO Steven Sugarman, center, is a finalist for the Entrepreneur of the Year Awards in Orange County.

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Ernst & Young, or EY, has announced the finalists for its Entrepreneur of the Year Awards in Orange County and the Inland Empire.

The 18 finalists represent 15 companies and employ more than 7,100 people with a combined revenue of more than \$2.3 billion.

Now in its 30th year, the EY program recognizes business leaders in more than 145 cities in more than 60 countries. The program honors entrepreneurs who demonstrate success in such areas as innovation, financial performance and personal commitment to their businesses and communities.

Orange County business leaders were selected by a panel of independent judges. Award winners will be announced at the awards gala June 17 at The St. Regis Monarch Beach Resort in Dana Point.

The finalists are:

- Gary Moore, president, American Technologies, Inc., Orange
- Jeffrey Coats, president and CEO, Autobyte Inc., Irvine
- [Steven Sugarman](#), CEO, and Jeffrey Seabold, Chief Banking Officer, Banc of California, Irvine
- [George Kurtz](#), co-founder, president and CEO, CrowdStrike, Irvine
- [Stuart McClure](#), president and CEO, Cylance, Irvine
- Michael Purcell, founder, executive vice president and chief marketing officer, Global Cash Card, Irvine
- [Lane Rankin](#), founder and CEO, Illuminate Education, Irvine
- [Dan Rodrigues](#), founder and CEO, Kareo, Irvine
- Jeff Erle, CEO, MobilityWare, Irvine
- [Rick Arvielo](#), Co-founder and CEO, and [Patty Arvielo](#), Co-founder and president, New American Funding, Tustin
- Andrew Abraham, CEO, Orgain, Irvine
- Brian Meshkin, CEO, Proove Biosciences, Irvine
- Darin Anderson, CEO, Salas O'Brien, Santa Ana
- Jerome Fink and David Kim, Managing Partners, The Bascom Group LLC, Irvine
- Maria Thompson, president and CEO, Agile Sourcing Partners, Corona

Regional award winners are eligible for consideration for the EY Entrepreneur Of The Year national program. Award winners in several national categories, as well as the EY Entrepreneur Of The Year National Overall Award winner, will be announced at a national awards gala in Palm Springs on Nov. 19.