

AM Awards 2008: Finalists

Industry chiefs head for Birmingham awards night

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The 2008 **AM** Awards promises to turn Birmingham into the UK motor retail industry's Hollywood for a night on February 27.

The nation's leading dealers, repairers, carmakers and support businesses will gather at the city's International Convention Centre to discover if their entries have sufficiently impressed the panel of judges in order to merit a prestigious accolade.

The finalists selected from the host of applications for the 2008 awards are:

Carmaker of the year

Finalists: Mazda, Suzuki, Honda, Audi, Fiat

Retail group (more than 10 sites)

Finalists: Sytner, Sandiccliffe

Retail group (up to 10 sites)

Finalists: Lifestyle Europe, Colin Appleyard, Chris Allen, Stephen James BMW, Bramall & Jones

Dealership (more than £12m turnover)

Finalists: Perrys of Barnsley, Hartwell Ford Oxford

Dealership (up to £12m turnover)

Finalists: Colin Appleyard Keighley site, Colt Cars Mid-West Weston-super-Mare, Henson Motor Group

Used car retailer

Finalists: TCHarrison Group, Fords of Winsford, Henson Motor Group, Hartwell Ford

Bodyshop

Finalists: Alton Cars, Stephen James Group, Marshall Motor Group, Drive Vauxhall Aldershot, AJC Wilson

Repairer

Finalists: Nationwide Autocentres, Now Motor Retail, All Trans Auto

Marketing

Finalists: Sandiccliffe Motor Group, Lifestyle Europe, Nationwide Autocentres, Norton Way, Marshall Motor Group

Property

Finalists: Chris Allen Garages, Greenoaks/Adonis, HIQ

Customer Service

Finalists: Sandiccliffe Motor Group, Academy Group, Nationwide Autocentres, Norton

Celebration time: AM Awards 2007 winners



Way, Andys Kars, Now Motor Retail

Training

Finalists: VW Group Learning Services, Kia, Phoenix Car Company, Nationwide Autocentres/Delphi, HIQ, Sandiccliffe

Recruitment

Finalists: Phoenix Car Co, VW National Learning Centre, Marshall Motor Group, Kia Motors, County Coachbuilders

Environmental policy

Finalists: Sandiccliffe Motor Group, LingsCars, Kings Toyota Southampton, County Coachbuilders, Chris Allen

Website

Finalists: Chelmsford Carriage Company, Nationwide Auto-centres, All Electric, Lifestyle Europe, Marshall Motor Group, Fords of Winsford

Employer of the year

Finalists: Sytner, Phoenix, Norton Way, Lifestyle Europe, Benfield, AJC Wilson

New car

Finalists: Ford Mondeo, Kia Cee'd, Nissan Qashqai, Mazda2, Audi R8

Used car

Finalists: BMW 3 Series, Honda Civic, Skoda Octavia, Mazda6, Seat Leon, Mini

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