

# AGM & Awards Ceremony 2022



## Our 2022 AGM

**T**hank you to everyone who attended our 28th Annual General Meeting & Awards Ceremony on May 12, 2022.

This year our members and staff joined us online and in-person to reflect on the Association's achievements this past year and to celebrate the accomplishments of some of our safest companies.

In this AGM edition, we brought a mental health keynote speaker as this topic is a key focus for our organization in 2022. We hoped you enjoyed to learn more about mental health in the construction industry and how organizations can support their employees, and how people can find helpful resources in their communities.

Our member's attendance was fundamental in making this event successful and you can find more information about our Annual General Meeting and Award Ceremony on our website <https://constructionsafetyns.ca/additional-resources/>

We are looking forward to meeting you again in 2023 for our 29th Annual AGM & Awards Ceremony.



## Safety Awards

Every year, CSNS recognizes companies and individuals who have shown safety leadership, innovation, and good practice in the construction industry in Nova Scotia. We were astounded with the number of submissions

we received this year with so many examples of improvements and great work being done in the industry. Thank you to everyone who submitted a nomination this year.

### *Women and Safety Leadership*

This award is presented to a woman in occupational health and safety who exemplifies the highest standards for safety leadership, going above and beyond to create change. This individual leads by example, fostering positive safety culture and innovation in their organization and the industry. This award honors the contributions of women in the construction industry and their ongoing commitment to safety excellence.

Danielle Ehler



### *Safety Innovation*

This award is given to a company who demonstrates the use of a better or novel idea or method to achieve safety in their workplace.



Vince Burton



### *Safety Champion*

This award is given to an individual who consistently demonstrates outstanding safety excellence and support for their industry peers.

### *Most Improved*

This award is presented to a company who has demonstrated significant health and safety improvement and growth in the previous year.



## Mental Health Workshop

Michael DeVeney was our keynote speaker at this year's AGM and Awards Ceremony. Michael is a passionate mental health advocate, speaker, and workplace researcher who speaks openly about his own struggles with mental illness and the stigma men face. He is a mental health advocate and business owner who specializes in workplace research and solutions.

Pulling from recent data from Nova Scotia workplaces, the keynote address provided tangible actions that leaders in the construction industry can take to support a more psychologically safe working environment for their employees.

After his keynote, Michael provided an interactive workshop designed to help participants apply the concepts and principles of building a psychologically safe working environment in their own workplaces.

# Chair's Awards

The Chair's awards of excellence are awards that we present to companies who have had outstanding safety records in the past year and are COR certified. We present these awards to the safest working company in each category of accessible payroll. This year, seven companies received the award.



## 2022 AGM photo album



The Shaw Group Safety team receiving the Most Improved Award from Perry Sankarsingh



Robert MacPherson, from Scotian Materials Limited, receiving the Chair's Award from Andrew Holley



Brian Chiasson from Trane Canada, receiving the Chair's Award from Andrew Holley



Vince Burton receiving the Safety Chapion Award from Perry Sankarsingh



Michael DeVenney, metal health keynote speaker



MJ MacDonald, Construction Safety Nova Scotia CEO