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## It's Almost Time!

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The awards are being prepped, the scripts are being written, the presentation prepared. It's almost time ... are you ready to find out the winners of this year's Cultivating Excellence Awards from Indoor Ag-Con and *Inside Grower* magazine?

We have selected our finalists for this year's CEAs, and we'll announce the winners on stage at the Gala Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, February 11 at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Indoor Ag-Con at the Westgate Las Vegas (February 10-13). This year we have a special surprise, too—a new award: The Trailblazer Award. There are no finalists for this, and at the event we will announce the inaugural winner—someone who has worked in the CEA industry to advance the science and the art of growing indoors, and blaze a path for those who will come next.

We do have three finalists each for the Operational Excellence Award and the Product Innovation Award. All finalists received an All-Access Pass to Indoor Ag-Con and the winner of the Operational Excellence Award will be featured on the cover of the Summer Issue of *Inside Grower* magazine.

Operational Excellence Award Finalists:

- BrightFarms
- Haven Greens
- Planet Farms

[Read more about the Operational Excellence finalists.](#)

Product Innovation Award Finalists:

- Jiffy Group – Jiffy Gel
- Voltiris— Energy & Crops, Without Compromise Solar Modules
- Zayndu —Activated Air On-Site Seed Priming System

[Read more about the Product Innovation finalists.](#)



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