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Two Romeoville Companies Selected as Top 100 Finalists for the 12th Annual Chicago Innovation Awards

Out of a record-breaking 562 nominees, two Romeoville businesses have been selected as Top 100 Finalists for the 12th Annual Chicago Innovation Awards.

As top 100 finalists, Chicago Tube and Iron and Advanced Diamond Technologies, both of Romeoville, are still in the running for the twelfth annual Chicago Innovation Awards.

The awards celebrate the most innovative new products and services in the Chicago region across all organization sizes, sectors and industries. Fifteen hundred business and civic leaders will come together to honor the winners when they are announced on October 30th at Chicago's Harris Theater.

"Chicago is in the midst of a monumental upsurge in innovation," said Tom Kuczarski, co-founder of the awards along with Chicago journalist Dan Miller. "It's inspiring to see the range of vision and the depth of talent among organizations in the Chicago area. Companies are investing in innovation and taking more risks to launch new ventures and uncover new value."

The nomination of Chicago Tube and Iron (www.chicagotube.com) is for the integration and creative use of the exceptionally sophisticated six axis tube laser, which is the largest in the world. This innovative incorporation of quantum physics is used to fabricate precision parts for their customers from tubing, eliminating labor and reducing costs.

The nomination of Advanced Diamond Technologies: Diamonox® Technology (www.thindiamond.com) is as a result of their unique and innovative diamond technology. Diamonox Technology is becoming the solution for the environmentally friendly remediation and reuse of hard to clean wastewater. Since it eliminates the use of hazardous chemicals, it is becoming popular in industries such as fracking, oil extraction, refineries and ballast.

Each of the Top 100 finalists are also in the running for the annual "People's Choice Award," selected through online balloting at www.chicagoinnovationawards.com