

FHWien der WKW Presents Alumni Awards

Successful graduates will receive a specially created trophy by artist Billi Thanner.

Vienna, September 19, 2022 – FHWien der WKW offers its graduates the best career opportunities in business. This year, nine graduates will receive an Alumni Award, exemplifying the diverse career paths made possible by studying at the university of applied sciences, which specializes in management and communication. The impressive trophies of the Alumni Awards are designed by the Austrian artist Billi Thanner.

Honor for assertiveness, forward thinking and commitment

“The fact that many of our graduates are so successful in their careers makes us very proud. For many, their studies laid the foundation for careers at home and abroad. With the Alumni Award, which we have been presenting to outstanding graduates for many years, we highlight the successes of our alumni,” says Michael Heritsch, CEO of FHWien der WKW. The winners of this year’s awards remain secret and will be presented at the award ceremony **on November 28, 2022 at the Hotel Palais Hansen Kempinski**. In front of 150 guests, including other top alumni of FHWien der WKW as well as representatives of the university of applied sciences and the business community, the Alumni Awards will be presented to the winners in a festive atmosphere.

Categories of the 2022 Alumni Awards:

- “Professional Achievements” – this category honors specialists and managers who achieve national or international success in their industry or field of activity.
- “Shaping the Future” – graduates are honored here who find forward-looking answers to pressing questions of our time with their way of thinking and their actions.
- “Exceptional Commitment to FHWien der WKW” – for award winners who are particularly committed to teaching or research at FHWien der WKW and thus contribute to the continuous development of the university of applied sciences.

Billi Thanner creates trophy

Also a premiere is the design of the trophy by a renowned Austrian artist and winner of the Vienna Art Award. Billi Thanner has been working as a visual artist since the early 1990s. She has dedicated her artistic works to beauty; her work encompasses a range of genres. Recently, she gained particular notoriety for her art installation “Himmelsleiter” at St. Stephen’s Cathedral in Vienna, which has been on display at the Stadtkirche St. Lamberti in Münster since September 2022.

Photos:

Beate Huber, Chair of the Academic Board of FHWien der WKW (left), and Michael Heritsch, CEO of FHWien der WKW (right), accept the trophy from artist Billi Thanner.

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Billi Thanner presented the trophy created especially for the Alumni Awards to CEO Michael Heritsch of FHWien der WKW.

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FHWien der WKW is Austria's leading university of applied sciences for management & communication. Working in close contact with Austrian corporations, FHWien der WKW offers comprehensive and practice-oriented academic programs to over 2,800 Bachelor's and Master's students. Two thirds of our teaching staff have a background in business. Our programs are tailored to the needs of companies, optimally preparing our students for their future careers. Since its foundation in 1994, FHWien der WKW has already produced over 13,600 graduates.

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