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## WALTHAM FOREST: Business competition winners announced

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SIX winners of a small business competition have been announced.

The independent retailers and companies have come top of six different categories of the 2012 Waltham Forest Small Business Competition, designed to raise the profile of local shops in the borough.

Penny Fielding Art in Orford Road, Walthamstow, won the Best Retail Business award, while design company Elbow Creative in Ardleigh Terrace, Walthamstow, won the Best Creative Business category.

Other winners were City Veg n Fruit Ltd, in Park Lammas Road, Leyton, sustainable fashion company Rewardrobe, family support charity The Soul Project, in Wood Street, and cinema project Screen 17.

The shops will share £2,500 worth of prizes including a selection of business books from Waterstone's, a stationery gift voucher for Ryman and a three-month business support package from Waltham Forest Women in Business.

Voting for the overall winner closes on April

30 and people can cast their vote on the Facebook site [facebook.com/WalthamForestBusiness](https://facebook.com/WalthamForestBusiness). The overall winner is announced on May 8.