

# Submissions Open for 2016 Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year Award

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*Award will honor a current Red Hat Certified Professional at 2016 Red Hat Summit*

RALEIGH, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced that submissions are being accepted for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year award.

The Red Hat Certified Professional (RHCP) of the Year award recognizes and honors the hard work, expertise, and ingenuity of a current Red Hat certified professional. The award program is open to anyone holding a current Red Hat certification or Certificate of Expertise.

To be considered for the award, applicants must provide an essay or video submission detailing how they use their Red Hat-certified skills to deliver results and value to their organization. Submissions for the 2016 Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year award will be accepted through Thursday, March 31, 2016.

The winner will be announced at the 2016 Red Hat Summit, taking place June 28-30, 2016, in San Francisco. The winner will receive a complimentary trip to Red Hat Summit, including hotel accommodations and a conference pass.

## Supporting Quotes

*Randy Russell, director of Certification, Red Hat*

"Red Hat Certified Professionals are recognized as consummate technical professionals. The RHCP of the Year Award gives us an opportunity to showcase the efforts of one such professional and the entire Red Hat certified community."

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