

Small Business Expo Named to 2026 Inc. 5000 for Sixth Time

Nationwide small business event producer earns its sixth Inc. 5000 honor after 250+ expos, 800,000+ registered attendees and 4,300+ workshops.

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL, UNITED STATES, August 17, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Small Business Expo](#) Named to [2026 Inc. 5000](#) for Sixth Time, Joining Rare Group of Repeat Honorees

Nationwide small business event producer earns sixth appearance on Inc.'s annual ranking of America's fastest-growing private companies after producing more than 250 expos and attracting over 800,000 registered attendees.



Small Business Expo was named to the 2026 Inc. 5000 for the sixth time, recognizing its continued growth as one of America's fastest-growing private companies.

Small Business Expo, one of America's largest and longest-running small [business networking](#) and educational event series, announced today that it has been named to the 2026 Inc. 5000, marking the company's sixth appearance on the annual ranking of America's fastest-growing privately held companies.

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Our sixth Inc. 5000 recognition reflects the entrepreneurs who keep showing up, taking risks and building. We're proud to give small business owners a place to connect, learn and grow.”

Zachary Lezberg, Founder & CEO, Small Business Expo

The recognition places Small Business Expo among a relatively small group of companies to achieve sustained growth across multiple Inc. 5000 ranking periods. Historically, only a small percentage of Inc. 5000 honorees have appeared on the list six times.

For Small Business Expo, the milestone reflects nearly two decades of growth driven by a simple mission: helping

America's entrepreneurs make the connections, gain the knowledge, and discover the resources they need to build stronger businesses.

"We built this company for small business owners, and their success is what keeps ours going," said Zachary Lezberg, Founder and CEO of Small Business Expo. "Earning a place on the Inc. 5000 six times isn't really a story about us. It's a story about the hundreds of thousands of entrepreneurs who show up, do the work, take risks, and keep betting on themselves. We're proud to give them a stage where they can make the connections that help turn those ambitions into growing businesses."

From One Vision to a Nationwide Small Business Community

Founded in 2008, Small Business Expo has grown from an event concept into a nationwide platform connecting entrepreneurs, business owners, startups, executives, and major brands.

Since its founding, Small Business Expo has:

- Attracted more than 800,000 registered attendees
- Produced more than 250 business expos
- Hosted more than 4,300 educational workshops
- Built a community of more than 1 million followers
- Expanded to 18 major U.S. markets

The events bring entrepreneurs face-to-face with experts, solution providers, potential customers, strategic partners, and other business owners through educational workshops, keynote presentations, exhibitor showcases, networking opportunities, and practical business-growth programming.



Zachary Lezberg, Founder and CEO of Small Business Expo, which was named to the 2026 Inc. 5000 for the sixth time.



Busy Small Business Expo exhibitor hall with entrepreneurs, exhibitors and business professionals networking.

Small Business Expo has also welcomed prominent entrepreneurs and business leaders to its stages, including Barbara Corcoran of ABC's "Shark Tank," UGG founder Brian Smith, "The Apprentice" winner Bill Rancic, and Chris Gardner, author of "The Pursuit of Happyness."

Major companies including Google, Amazon, Verizon, American Express, Adobe, Dell, Meta, Intuit, and Wells Fargo have exhibited at Small Business Expo events alongside startups, regional businesses, and emerging brands — creating an environment where companies of dramatically different sizes can meet the entrepreneurs driving America's small business economy.

Growth Built Around America's Entrepreneurs

Small Business Expo's sixth Inc. 5000 recognition comes as entrepreneurs continue to seek more direct ways to build relationships, find customers, learn from experts, and evaluate the rapidly expanding number of technologies and services available to growing businesses.

Rather than functioning as a traditional trade show alone, Small Business Expo was designed to bring those resources together under one roof.

Attendees can participate in educational workshops, hear from business leaders, meet exhibitors, discover products and services, develop referral relationships, and network directly with other entrepreneurs — all within a single-day event focused specifically on small business growth.

Today, Small Business Expo hosts events in Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, Orlando, Philadelphia, Phoenix, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington, D.C.



Packed Small Business Expo keynote session with entrepreneurs and business professionals attending a main-stage keynote presentation.



Large, busy Small Business Expo exhibitor hall with entrepreneurs, exhibitors and business professionals networking throughout the event.

"Small business owners don't need more theory — they need access," Lezberg added. "Access to the right people, the right ideas, the right technology, and the right opportunities at the right moment. That's what we've been working to create since 2008, and there's still an enormous amount of work ahead of us."

About Small Business Expo

Established in 2008, Small Business Expo produces America's longest-running and largest small business conferences, trade shows, and networking events in major cities across the United States.

Each year, Small Business Expo connects more than 100,000 entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources, education, relationships, and solutions they need to grow. Its events feature expert-led workshops, keynote presentations, exhibitor showcases, networking opportunities, and actionable business insights designed specifically for entrepreneurs and growing companies.

Small Business Expo currently hosts events in 18 major U.S. markets, including Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Charlotte, Chicago, Dallas, Houston, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, Orlando, Philadelphia, Phoenix, San Diego, San Francisco, Seattle, and Washington, D.C.

For upcoming events and additional information, visit <https://www.thesmallbusinesssexpo.com/>.

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