

Centre de Rénovation



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Home Hardware Québec Dealers Recognized at AQMAT Gala Reconnaissance

ST. JACOB'S, ONTARIO, March 15, 2019 – Home Hardware had two category award winners and seven category award finalists at the 7th Annual AQMAT Gala Reconnaissance in Montreal, Québec.

Eric Berthiaume, Dealer-Owner of Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware Marieville received the *Conqueror Award*, which honours a company that is growing its business through acquisitions, marketing strategies or export activities.

Simon Gagnard, Dealer-Owner of Roberge et Fils Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware received the *Specialty Award*, which honours a niche store that stands out from its competitors.

Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware Marieville is one of seven stores from Groupe Turcotte, a large Quebec home improvement and garden centre retailer with over 200 employees. Louis Turcotte (President) and Daniel Gervais (Associate) are included as store partners.

Roberge et Fils Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware in La Sarre are manufacturers of Windows and Doors through their Roberge Window and Doors Division, the store has been in business for over 100 years and contributes greatly to the local community with over 100 employees.

Home Hardware also had finalists in 5 other categories including:

- Dominic Limoges, Entreprises Limoges Inc. - Home Hardware, L'Assomption, Québec. Employee Category - Rising Star Award
- Jocelyn Poirier, Roberge et Fils - Home Hardware, La Sarre, Québec. Employee Category - Loyalty Award
- Alain Girard, Quincaillerie Gerard Raymond, Pierrefonds, Québec Employee Category - Manager Award
- Quincaillerie Home Hardware – Rimouski, Rimouski, Québec. Store Category - Community Involvement Award
- Riopel Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware, Sainte-Adèle, Québec. Store Category - Perspective Award

AQMAT's Gala Reconnaissance recognizes the achievements of the industry's best companies, innovative products and most talented employees. The Gala Reconnaissance was held on Saturday, March 9th at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth in Montreal, Québec.

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PHOTO CAPTION – Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware Marieville, Winner of the AQMAT Conqueror Award.

From L-R: Eric Berthiaume (Owner), Bruno Jean (Taiga), Simon Louvet (Contractor Sales and Partner).



PHOTO CAPTION – Roberge et Fils Centre de Rénovation Home Hardware, Winner of the AQMAT Specialty Award.

From L-R: Jocelyn Poirier (Home Hardware Product Buyer), Nancy Lampron, (Director Hardware), Simon Gaignard (Owner) and Patricia Lachance (Seljax)

About Home Hardware Stores Limited

Home Hardware Stores Limited is Canada's largest Dealer-owned hardware, lumber, building materials, and furniture home improvement retailer with close to 1,100 stores under the Home Hardware, Home Building Centre, Home Hardware Building Centre and Home Furniture banners. Founded in 1964 in rural St. Jacobs, Ontario, Home Hardware remains 100% Canadian owned and operated. Through the Home Hardware network, Dealer-Owners have access to 55,000 quality, brand name and private label products, a state-of-the-art distribution system and extensive marketing and training programs. Offering a mix of tradition and innovation, Home Hardware Stores Limited has received designation as one of Canada's Best Brands and Best Managed Companies and is committed to helping Canadians with all their project needs. More information about the company is available at homehardware.ca.

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