

The Immigrant Learning Center® presents the  
2023 Barry M. Portnoy

# Immigrant Entrepreneur Awards

November 8, 2023, Royal Sonesta Boston, Cambridge, MA



**Avak Kahvejian**  
Life Science Business



**Jitka Borowick**  
Neighborhood Business



**Ling Chai Maginn**  
Technology Business



**Roger Magalhaes**  
Business Growth

2022 #ILCTRwards winners

Presented by The Immigrant Learning Center, the Barry M. Portnoy Immigrant Entrepreneur Awards Benefit is a reception, dinner and awards ceremony to honor outstanding immigrant entrepreneurs in Massachusetts.

“No other program gets to the heart of entrepreneurship, because no one knows more about risk and reward than the honorees.”

**Doug Banks,**  
*Boston Business Journal*



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## Nomination Categories

- Business Growth
- Technology Business
- Neighborhood Business
- Life Science Business

“Behind all of our foreign-born business owners are incredible stories of resilience and ambition. These Awards honor their tireless work to achieve the American Dream, and I’m proud to be part of it.”

**Saritin Rizzuto**  
Metro Credit Union

## Who is Barry M. Portnoy?

Barry M. Portnoy was the founder of The RMR Group, an alternative asset management company, and a founding board member of The Immigrant Learning Center. As a consummate entrepreneur, he built businesses in multiple industries, employed thousands and contributed mightily to local economies. His steadfast support of The ILC gave thousands of immigrants a voice. Because of his unwavering belief in immigrants and the transformational impact of entrepreneurship, The ILC Immigrant Entrepreneur Awards were renamed after his death in 2018.



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