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Entrepreneur.com Announces 2015 Business Travel Awards

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PHOTO: Cuba was voted the Most Inspiring Story for business travelers by Entrepreneur.com. (photo by David Cogswell)

Traveling for work is inevitably going to be a grind at some point or another. But thanks to new technology and world-class amenities, business travel is also fun.

Entrepreneur.com recently announced its 2015 Business Travel Awards, celebrating some of the best and most popular in travel among today's road warriors.

Among the highlights of this year's awards, Downtown Las Vegas was named the best meeting destination.

"There's a general sense of entrepreneurial go-get-'em, Wild West attitude," said Inspire Theater and restaurant operator Jennifer Cornthwaite via Entrepreneur.com. "You realize that people live in Vegas, care about it and are determined to make downtown vibrant, forward-thinking and independent."

The easing of restrictions on travel to Cuba was singled out as the Most Inspiring Story for those in the business world, with a new market potentially [opening up in the future](#).

Meanwhile, the award for Best Flier Trend in 2015 went to healthy airports, which are emerging across the country. In addition to improved dining options, yoga rooms, massage parlors and nap areas allow frequent fliers to recharge easier and faster in 2015.

And these days, travelers are recharging their batteries at Entrepreneur.com's Best Airport Lounge, American Express' Centurion Lounges (as seen below courtesy of Twitter user Morgan Lindy), which will debut in Miami this spring and also be available in Las Vegas, Dallas, San Francisco and New York.



Complimentary food and drinks complement semiprivate nooks and a computer bar.

Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Hotel Chicago earned the title of Most Visionary Hotel. A standout in the category, Branson's industry debut features flexible check-in and check-out times as well as free beverages during a social hour for hotel guests.

The award for Best Hotel Category overall went to the emerging lifestyle brands. Marriott's Moxy, Hyatt's Centric, Hilton's Canopy and citizenM are designed with millennials in mind, each rolling out unique amenities and concepts to simplify a business traveler's stay.

When it comes to the gear business travelers should be packing ahead of their next trip, Entrepreneur.com recommends the NomadKey phone-charging keychain, the easy-to-pack Findikli towel and the goTenna device that allows travelers to connect anywhere, anytime even without WiFi or cell service.

Other award winners included the carry-on cocktail kit from the minibar at Thompson Hotel's Gild Hall for Minibar Star and real-world reunions as the Best App Trend this year.