



Winner Announcement

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Oshawa, ON (December 6, 2017) – The who’s who of Durham Region’s entrepreneurial ecosystem were on hand at UOIT’s Charles Street facility for the winner announcement of Spark Centre’s 5th Anniversary Ignite Competition. John Ruffolo – CEO of Omers Ventures, set the tone for the winners with a compelling keynote and Adrienne Batra – Editor in Chief of the Toronto Sun, kept the evening on point as Master of Ceremonies.

For its 5th anniversary event, Spark Centre partnered with Ontario Power Generation and Beijing Future Science Park to bring real-world synergy to the annual competition. For the 2017 Ignite Competition, Spark Centre established four categories of awards:

- Student Category - \$5000 prize + \$1250 in legal services from Thomas & Effraim LLP. + free office space at the Spark Centre
- Discovery Category - \$25,000 prize + free office space at the Spark Centre
- Scale-up Category (Sponsored by Beijing Future Science Park) - \$25,000 prize + one week trip to Beijing for exploratory discussions, in addition to an in-kind prize of \$5,000 CDN in professional services from Bereskin & Parr
- OPG Category - \$25,000 seed investment + ongoing in-kind support

Spark Centre is pleased to announce this year’s winners:

- Student Category – Ominous Games (previously announced on November 6th)
- Discovery Category – MeetScribe
- Scale-up Category – Healthy Pets
- OPG Category – FprimeC Solutions

Ominous Games <http://ominousgaming.com> (Student Winner, sponsored by Spark Centre) is a small studio based in Whitby, Ontario and was founded by a student team from UOIT in 2015. Ominous Games is currently developing their first commercial title, Spirit, and the team of three is very excited to share this with the community.

Meetscribe www.meetscribe.io (Discovery Winner, sponsored by Spark Centre) is a smart meeting assistant that revolutionizes the way meetings are conducted in organizations. The program transcribes your meeting for you, keeps up with post-meeting logistics like sending out



summarizing meeting notes and creates well defined objectives for all stakeholders for projects to run smoothly.

Healthy Pets www.healthypets.io (Scale-Up Winner, sponsored by Beijing Future Science Park) is a digital platform connecting local veterinarians with pet parents through video enabled telemedicine. From the comfort of your own home, pet parents can access trustworthy veterinary care and advice on demand.

FPrimeC Solutions Inc. www.fprimec.com (Ontario Power Generation Winner, sponsored by Ontario Power Generation) specializes in the design and development of innovative IoT solutions for cost-effective and reliable assessment of infrastructure facilities. Developed based on the latest technology, they are revolutionizing structural maintenance and monitoring systems.

Along with the \$25,000 prizes, MeetScribe and Healthy Pets will be given free office space in Spark Centre's head office The Loft, located in Oshawa.

About Spark Centre: Spark Commercialization and Innovation Centre is one of eighteen not-for-profit Regional Innovation Centres (RICs) that form part of the Ontario Network of Entrepreneurs (ONE). The centre works to improve competitiveness and visibility of Durham Region and Northumberland County as a world-class innovation cluster. For more information on Spark Centre, please visit www.sparkcentre.org.

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