

Who took home the hardware at ITA CityLights

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The Illinois Technology Association started shining a light on Chicago tech before most people knew Chicago had tech. Its 2017 awards banquet shows the city has plenty these days.

Here's who took home the hardware at last night's 18th CityLights awards:

CEO of the year: Rishi Shah of Outcome Health (formerly ContextMedia), which has seen explosive growth, attracting a [recent investment of more than \\$500 million](#).

Technologist of the year: Darren Cockerel, chief information officer of Coyote Logistics, which was [bought by UPS for \\$1.8 billion](#) two years ago.

Industry disrupter: Insurance-tech company [Snapsheet](#).

Lighthouse: [SMS Assist](#), another fast-growing company that provides maintenance-management services.

Outstanding business development: [Hireology](#), a human-resources software maker that helps companies manage and standardize their hiring processes.

Rising star: [Yello](#), another human-resource software maker, which helps companies manage and track applicants and potential hires.

Industry champion: Hyde Park Angels, one of the earliest groups of early-stage investors in Chicago.

Prominent woman in tech: Helen Levinson, CEO of Indigo Interactive, a custom-software design firm.