

## Sensei Brand Award 2011

brands which inspire, guide, and mentor





We're looking out for brands which teach us in various aspects—be it science, ecology or even today's life. We truly believe that all brands imaginable need to realize their new role: commitment and contribution to social life and society.

Kate Belan Award Visionary, Popsop Editor

This is a great opportunity not only to celebrate (and award) the best brands out there that are committed to our social life enhancement but also an opportunity to discuss and explore how and why these brands get into "mentorship".

Alex Baranov CEO, Founder of Popsop

I think, in today's branding and marketing, this type of award should become commonplace.

Vladimir Popov Creative Director of Popsop



What if all the brands in the world did not merely strive to sell more of a product but also helped us love our planet better, spend smarter, cherish our family, live healthy life in every way? Wouldn't it be a better place to live and grow?

At Popsop, we thought that now is the right time to celebrate global brand sensei's.

That's why we're launching our new project Sensei Brand Award 2011 (SBA'11), which is to prove record of continuous and fruitful commitment of brands to inspiring, mentoring and teaching across several areas as follows —

Green Thinking and Healthy Lifestyle Youth and Family Culture Innovations and Out-of-The-Box Thinking

In a few words, SBA'11 is aimed at:

Researching global brands from a relatively new angle—teaching. Establishing the award methodology and selection criteria. Building mutually beneficial partnerships in this field.



In order to evaluate brands' mentoring activities across those 3 areas of social life we applied 3 criteria and named them Eco, Fun and Mind.

ECO (recycling, environmental protection, green packaging, healthy lifestyle etc.).
FUN (youth and family values, person and society, love and affection, relationships and friendship etc.).
MIND (innovations, science, modern arts, high tech, big ideas etc.).

The award criteria are as simple as that.



We thought it would be great to make the process of evaluation as transparent as possible.

That is why we decided to carry out the selection procedure using a clear and simple tool—the montly rating program SBA'11.

Without doubt, some complicated methodologies based on factual data are quite solid and precise. But can this approach be applied to teaching and mental development assessment? We believe not.

That is why we decided to engage industry experts in voting for the best brand "sensei" in terms of teaching and social committment.

At the moment we have **23** international experts on the judging panel. See who's on board: <u>www.popsop.com/judges.</u>

We carry out voting each moth. We welcome you to join the SBA'11 jury until June, 2011!



Rating logic is fairly simple. It can be described in 5 simple steps:

**1.** Popsop team compiles the most topical and hot brand news, campaigns and activities, sends that list to the experts for consideration.

2. Industry experts evaluate each brand campaign giving points from 0 to 10 by 1 criteria, or two (if one feels it makes sense) or even by 3 criteria at once, if the selected campaing is comprehensive and complex.

3. Experts send their completed voting forms to Popsop rating manager who is to upload the data online.

4. Selected brands accumulate the score monthly. The average by each criteria is estimated as arithmetic average of a set of the experts' votes; respectively, the average brand score equals arithemic average of aggregate score by each criteria, as—

$$\frac{a_1+a_2+a_3+\ldots+a_n}{n}$$

where a—score, and n—number of evaluating experts.

5. As a result of all this, in June 2011 we'll define 3 brand senseis in ECO, FUN and MIND categories —those ones who gain the highest score by each criteria. Moreover, we'll award the Best of Show Sensei—the brand which will gain the highest total score.

\* more info on the exact place and date of the award ceremony is coming soon.



If you want to join the panel of judges, we must create you expert profile—to make your evaluating activities available for our readers.

They can view both individual estimation by each expert at the end of each rated news and the total sum of scores (given by all judges) on the main page of the rating.

Users can sort data and view comprehensive diagrams (by criteria, by period, by expert).

Each month we announce 3 best brand senseis in 3 categories. The current scores gained by each brand and the dynamics will be displayed in the comprehensive charts.



The main page of the rating results:



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SBA'11 is a very special award.

Our strongest asset is our philosophy. The time has come to realize—brand MUST guide us, not just gain profit and make us overconsume. Brand MUST teach and many of them DO—to love our planet better, to live a healthy life in harmony with the nature, to drink responsibly, spend smarter etc.

That is our philosophy and we're seeking great people who share our views.

That's why WE NEED YOU there.

We think globally and act effectively. Branding is not a mere speculation anymore. Join our expert pool and establish the new industry standard of smart consumer philosophy with Popsop and SBA'11.

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