# CLEVELAND EVOLUTION OF MANUFACTURING CONFERENCE & AWARDS OVERVEEW









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honors Northern Ohio manufacturers for their ability to innovate, create and drive processes that result in a positive impact on their bottom line. In addition, the conference portion explores how successful manufacturers acquire top talent, incorporate next generation manufacturing practices and find innovative ways to compete in a global economy. This event features an open house format that provides an excellent networking opportunity for manufacturers and local service providers.











# **EVOLUTION** BRINGS TOGETHER MORE THAN **370 ATTENDEES** FROM **130 ORGANIZATIONS**









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## WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

Right from the outset, the Smart Business team was both professional and accommodating with our needs as an event sponsor. They were open to new ideas and willing to implement any changes that served to benefit the overall event. Furthermore, the team went out of their way to make important introductions for our group. Our Smart Business event sponsorship is one of only two our group has on an annual basis and is well worth the investment.

#### MATTHEW NIPPER SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT COMMERCIAL BANKING AT KEYBANK (SPONSOR)

The event far exceeded my expectations! My managers and employees loved the venue and walking around meeting people.

BOB OBORN PRESIDENT KENT ELASTOMER (HONOREE)

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