

Ace Hardware Honors 2025 Vendors of the Year

Ace recognizes seven outstanding vendor partners for their commitment to service, convenience and quality

Ace Hardware is proud to announce its 2025 Vendors of the Year, recognizing a select group of vendor partners whose leadership, innovation and collaboration played a critical role in helping Ace retailers succeed over the past year.

“Our vendor partners are essential to the strength of the Ace brand and the success of our independent retailers,” said Chris Huot, Corporate Vice President of Merchandising. “The 2025 Vendors of the Year represent the very best of our vendor community, bringing a deep understanding of what it takes to help local Ace retailers win. We are grateful for their partnership and proud to recognize their outstanding contributions.”

The honorees demonstrated measurable impact across key areas of Ace’s business, from exclusive and differentiated products to strong marketing support, operational excellence and a shared commitment to the communities Ace serves. Together, they exemplify the partnership mindset that fuels Ace’s long-term growth strategy.

The following companies were recognized as Ace Hardware 2025 Vendors of the Year:

- Flanders
- Kohler
- QJT
- SodaStream
- Vanco
- Weber

Ace Foundation CMN Vendor of the Year

- Warmies was also recognized as the Ace Foundation Children’s Miracle Network (CMN) Vendor of the Year for its generous support of the Ace Hardware Foundation and ongoing commitment to helping improve the health and well-being of children in local communities.

Ace Hardware extends its sincere thanks and congratulations to all 2025 honorees for their partnership, leadership and dedication to helping independent Ace retailers thrive.

About Ace Hardware

Ace Hardware is the largest hardware cooperative in the world, serving more than 8,200 locally owned and operated stores and providing the best products, services, and operating methods to more than 6,000 Ace retail stores in approximately 60 countries. Ace Hardware’s family of brands includes Ace Hardware, Emery Jensen Distribution (EJD), and independent retailers worldwide. Headquartered in Oak Brook, Ill., Ace operates an expansive network of U.S. distribution centers, along with international capabilities in Ningbo, China, and Cuautitlán Izcalli, Mexico. Since 1924, Ace has been a part of local communities, known as the place with the helpful hardware folks. For more information, visit acehardware.com or newsroom.acehardware.com.

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