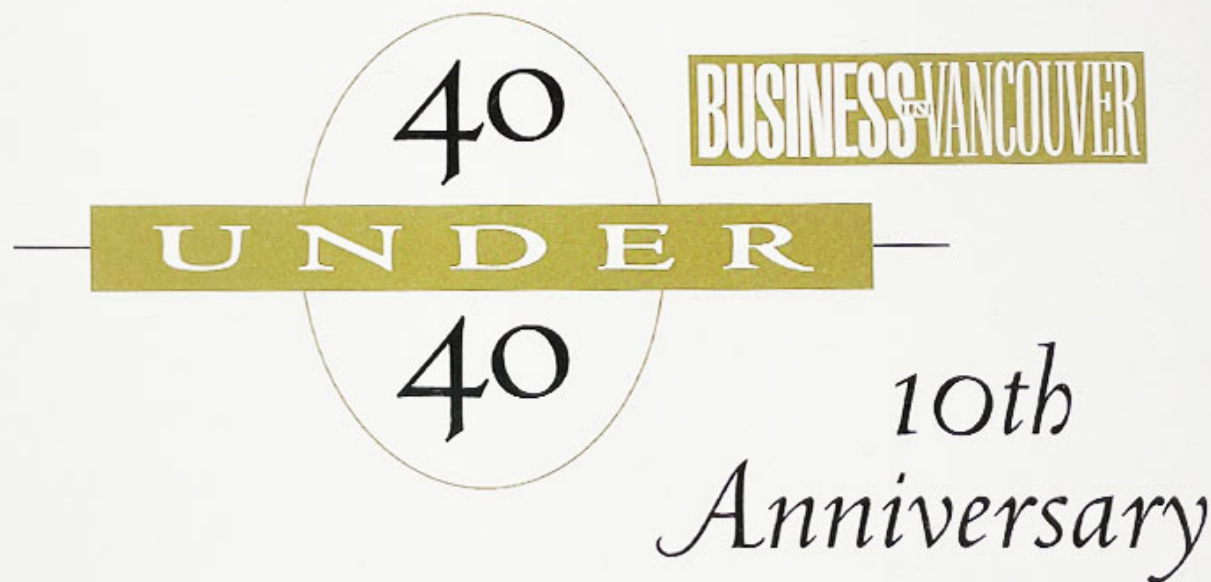


Business in Vancouver Outstanding Achievement Award Winner



Salim Sayani

has been chosen as one of British Columbia's top business achievers under the age of forty

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Salim Sayani, 28

President and CEO,
Executive Inn Group Corp.

Birthplace: Vancouver

Residence: North Vancouver

Salim Sayani was well-prepared for a career in hotels. His communications training at **Simon Fraser University**, and later the **University of California, Los Angeles**, sharpened his appreciation of marketing and complemented the front-line hotel experience he gained working in his family's hotels during his youth.

After graduating from UCLA in 1994, he established his own hotel management company, Executive Inn Hotels, and took the helm of properties in Seattle and Vancouver. Today he leads a firm with 18 franchises across Western Canada and the U.S. with fee revenues of \$2.3 million and a net profit in the vicinity of \$550,000.

Thanks to a reverse takeover of **First Triton Capital Corp.** in 1999, the company gained access to the

public markets and greater capital resources to fund acquisitions, including a one-fifth share of **VIP Int'l Corp.**, North America's largest central reservation and marketing company. The move allowed Executive Inn to bring those services into its fold and offer them under its own brand name.

"It really expanded our ability to become a worldwide service provider," Sayani said.

Expansions have also developed Sayani's skills on the international stage and helped the company shed its regional identity and become a more international presence. With the poise of an experienced hotelier, Sayani continues to maintain a close hand on the Executive Inn Group itself. ■



Best business decision in the past 12 months:

To focus on expanding our management contact base throughout the United States, as opposed to just sticking within Western Canada. It's important because the opportunities presented are much more lucrative and larger in number.

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