

# Shaping the IT Industry

## Event Log Manager

The Event Log Manager award is new to Readers' Choice this year. By a wide margin, readers chose NETIKUS.NET's EventSentry as the winner. EventSentry lets you configure event filtering so captured events route to the appropriate department. You can also exclude events that aren't relevant to you. Because EventSentry monitors Windows-based workstations' security event log, you can use the product to help gather information required for compliance regulations. The Event Log Consolidation feature stores event log entries in a central ODBC database. You can then use the information to create reports and print them through any popular Web browser or export them to comma-separated value (CSV) files.



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<b>Event Log Manager</b>	<b>Monitoring and Alerting Software</b>
<b>1st—NETIKUS.NET EventSentry</b> <a href="http://www.netikus.net">http://www.netikus.net</a>	<b>1st—Microsoft MOM 2005</b> <a href="http://www.microsoft.com">http://www.microsoft.com</a>
<b>2nd—GFI Software GFI LANGuard Security Event Log Monitor</b> <a href="http://www.gfi.com">http://www.gfi.com</a>	<b>2nd—Numara Software Numara Network Monitor</b> <a href="http://www.numarasoftware.com/uk/">http://www.numarasoftware.com/uk/</a>
<b>3rd—TNT Software ELM Event Log Monitor</b> <a href="http://www.tntsoftware.com">http://www.tntsoftware.com</a>	<b>3rd—NETIKUS.NET EventSentry</b> <a href="http://www.netikus.net">http://www.netikus.net</a>



In 2002, when we were Windows & .NET Magazine, we developed our Readers' Choice Awards as a way to let our readers evaluate and recommend the best technology products in the industry. Readers' Choice has become an annual tradition that brings readers and vendors together to honor the best of the best in the IT marketplace. No one knows more about the best values in Windows IT products and services than you, the readers of Windows IT Pro. You're the professionals who research and buy products, then put them to the ultimate test—daily use in your IT infrastructure, where there's little room for failure.

In this year's contest, voters chose from nearly 750 products that were nominated in 12 major technology categories comprising 76 subcategories. Early last spring, we invited technology vendors to nominate their products for inclusion on the Readers' Choice online ballot, and voting took place between April 5 and May 1. Voters wrote in their favorite products in one overall category, Best New Product. The following pages highlight the winners of this year's awards, the products you and your peers chose as tops in their market. Congratulations to the winners, and thank you to our readers for taking the time to vote. When it comes to IT products and services, your opinions are the opinions that matter.

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