THE LIMOUSINE PITCH

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It will have all the drama of the Apprentice TV program.

Every five minutes, a long black limousine will pull up at the door at Sebastian martini bar and restaurant on Princess Street. One contestant will step out while another will jump in.

The contestant jumping into the limousine will face a backseat panel of judges, who in this vear's Aliant Business Pitch Competition include Nancy Mathis, executive director of the G. Wallace F. McCain Institute: Eleanor Marshall, vicepresident and treasurer for Bell Aliant Regional Communications; Bob Bittle of Bob's Home Furnishings, and Derek Oland, chairman Moosehead executive of Breweries Ltd.

Known more casually as Dr. Nancy, Ms. Cash, Super Bob and Mr. Beer, the judges have \$1,000 to invest in good ideas.

People who enter the competition will have two minutes to pitch their business idea to the investors in the back of the limousine while it circles the block. They will also have a few minutes to answer critical questions from the investors.

Enterprise Saint John's Emerging Entrepreneurs program is organizing the event and is looking for contestants with good ideas. The deadline to register is March 20. For more information, phone Janet Scott at 648-4640 or e-mail janetscott@enterprisesj.com

