

2027 Australia Day Awards

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The Whitsunday Regional Council Australia Day Awards celebrate the outstanding achievements and contributions of individuals and organisations across our region.

These awards provide a platform to publicly honour those who have made a remarkable impact or are exceptional achievers within our community.

If you know someone or a community group committed to making the Whitsunday region a better place, we invite you to nominate them for an Australia Day Award and help us celebrate their efforts.

Important Information

Before completing this application form, you should have read the program guidelines.

This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you are eligible.

If you have any questions regarding the eligibility criteria or application process, please contact the Sport, Recreation & Community Development team on 1300 972 753.

Please have your application number on hand when contacting Council regarding your application.

Application Number

This field is read only.

Confirmation of Eligibility

Before proceeding, please confirm the following:

1. Nominees must be a resident of Whitsunday Regional Council at the time of the nomination.
2. Nominations will not be accepted if the individual or group has won an award the previous year.
3. All nominations must be received via the official nomination process.
4. All nominations must meet the age requirement as specified in the individual award category.
5. Contact details of nominators may be forwarded on to local media.
6. A person who is deemed to have acted in a manner contrary to Council values will not be eligible.

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct. *

☐ Yes

Award Categories

Citizen of the Year Award

Honouring individuals who have made significant contributions to the Whitsunday Region or provided outstanding service to the local community. *Age Requirement:* be 19 years or older as of 26 January 2027.

Young Citizen of the Year Award

Recognising young individuals who have contributed to the betterment of the community or Whitsunday Region. *Age Requirement:* be 18 years or younger as of 26 January 2027.

Senior Sports Person of the Year Award

Celebrating dedicated sportspeople, coaches, administrators or volunteers whose passion for sports inspires others. *Age Requirement:* be 19 years or older as of 26 January 2027.

Young Sports Person of the Year Award

Recognising young athletes whose commitment to their sport motivates others to participate. *Age Requirement:* be 18 years or younger as of 26 January 2027.

Arts & Culture Award

Acknowledging individuals or groups contributing to the region's vibrant arts and cultural community. *Age Requirement:* be 19 years or older as of 26 January 2027.

Young Arts & Culture Award

Acknowledging individuals or groups contributing to the region's vibrant arts and cultural community. *Age Requirement:* be 18 years or younger as of 26 January 2027.

Environmental Achievement Award

Recognising individuals or groups making a positive contribution to the region's environment through conservation, sustainability, environmental stewardship or initiatives that inspire and engage the community.

Community Group Award

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Recognising individuals, groups or organisations that have positively impacted the Whitsunday Region through meaningful projects or events in the past year. *Age Requirement:* no age requirement.

Wally Hinschen Community Volunteer Award

Celebrating volunteers who have significantly contributed to the Whitsunday region. This award is presented in honour of Wally Hinschen, a valued community member. *Age Requirement:* no age requirement.

Mayor Award for Outstanding Contribution to Community

This award is selected by the Mayor to acknowledge individuals or groups from the community who have made exceptional voluntary contributions in areas such as arts, culture, sport or service. *Age Requirement:* no age requirement.

Nomination Details

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Queensland has privacy legislation that applies to the Queensland public sector - the Information Privacy Act 2009. The Act contains privacy principles that set out how agencies may and must handle personal information. Personal information means any information about an identifiable person. Our Privacy Notice refers to details of the types of personal information that we hold and how we handle this information.

To view our privacy statement, go to [Whitsunday Regional Council - Information and Privacy](#)

Award Category Selection

Please select the award category for this nomination

- ☐ Citizen of the Year Award
- ☐ Young Citizen of the Year Award
- ☐ Senior Sports Award
- ☐ Young Sports Award
- ☐ Arts & Cultural Award
- ☐ Environmental Achievement Award
- ☐ Community Group Award
- ☐ Community Volunteer Award
- ☐ Mayor Award for Outstanding Contribution to Community

Award Nominee Details

Please enter the details of the person or organisation you are nominating for an award

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Award Nominee Name / Organisation *

Organisation Name

Award Nominee Primary Address

Address

Award Nominee Postal Address

Address

Award Nominee Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Award Nominee Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Nominator Details

Please enter your details as the person making the nomination

Nominator Name / Organisation ***Nominator Primary Address ***

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Nominator Postal Address *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Nominator Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

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Nominator Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Is the Award Nominee aware that you have made this nomination? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Supporting Documentation

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Please provide details of the nominee's achievements, contributions and impact that support this nomination. If required, additional supporting information can be attached below *

Additional Supporting Documentation

Attach a file:

Certification

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I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct

I agree *

☐ Yes

Name of person making this nomination *

Title

First Name

Last Name

Applicant Feedback

You are nearing the end of the process. Before you review your nomination and click the **SUBMIT** button please take a few moments to provide some feedback.

Please indicate how you found the online application process.

- ☐ Very easy ☐ Easy ☐ Neutral ☐ Difficult ☐ Very difficult

How many minutes in total did it take you to complete this application?

Estimate in minutes i.e. 1 hour = 60

Please provide us with your suggestions about any improvements and/or additions to the application process/form that you think we need to consider.