KING ISLAND COUNCIL

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Award Nomination Guidelines

The Citizen of the Year Awards are proudly presented by the Australia Day Council of Tasmania, and administered by local councils.

The Awards recognise and reward individuals and organisations that have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year, and/or give an outstanding service over a number of years to the community, over and above normal employment duties.

Outstanding contributions and community service includes areas such as: education, health, fund-raising, charitable and voluntary services, business, sport, arts, the environment, or any other area that contributes to the advancement and wellbeing of a community.

All residents of the King Island Municipal Area are eligible and nominations of non-residents who have made an outstanding contribution to the community will also be considered.

The selection panel for the awards comprises the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors. The awards will be presented at council's Australia Day Celebrations.

Nominations close no later than 5pm Monday 1 December 2025.

CATEGORIES

Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen.

Young Citizen of the Year

To be eligible, the person must be an Australian Citizen under 30 years of age on 26 January 2026.

Community Group or Event of the Year

A group that has provided outstanding community support or a group or person that has staged an outstanding community event/activity during 2025 or over a number of years.

TIPS FOR NOMINATING

When you fill out the nomination form, there are a few things you should consider to ensure your nomination provides us with enough information about the achievements of the person you are nominating. Here are some tips to help you get started:

- Fill out as much of the form as possible.
- Please include the age of the person you are nominating. If you are not certain of the person's age then make an educated guess and tick the box marked 'estimate' on the form.
- Include supporting documentation such as newspaper articles, websites, personal references and/or resumes with your nomination.

- Please include referees. A referee is someone who is also aware of the nominee's achievements and will be able to provide any additional information if required.
- Please do not nominate the same person more than once. Recipients are selected based on selection criteria, rather than the number of times they are nominated.
- You are asked to provide a mail address, phone number and email address for yourself and your nominee. Please include at least one of these details for both yourself and your nominee. This helps us get in contact with both of you if your nominee becomes shortlisted.

The nomination form asks you to tell us about your nominee. How are they an inspirational role model? How have they demonstrated excellence in their field and to the community? In answering this question, consider the following:

- In what area and/or roles has the person excelled?
- How does the person stand out from the pack? How has their achievement/service been greater than what might be normally expected of a person their age and in their field? Focus on both the quality and quantity of their achievement/service.
- How much of their work has been voluntary, focused on helping others or making Australia a better place?
- Has the person overcome particular challenges or adversities to make their achievement? How difficult has their achievement been?
- How has the nominee shown achievement/service outside of their particular specialty? For example, personal interests and involvement in the wider community.
- How has the nominee's achievement/service been acknowledged elsewhere (other awards, commendations etc)?
- How does the person nominated make you proud to be Australian? Is your view shared by others in your community? If so, who?
- What personal qualities make the person inspirational?
- Why should other Australians look to the person as a role model?
- Are there any particular segments of the community who would/should find the person inspirational? For example: children, Tasmanians, other arts practitioners, families, other scientists, etc.
- Has the person shown great bravery, vision or particular strengths of character?
- Provide examples to support your statements. Don't just make a statement - demonstrate it with examples.

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Award Nomination Form

NOMINEE: *(One nominee per form)* Title: First Name: Last Name:
Gender: ☐ Male ☐Female Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander: ☐ Yes
Age/D.O.B: ☐Exact ☐Estimate
Position/ Organisation:
Address:
Town: Daytime contact number:
Mobile:
Email:
At least one phone number is mandatory. This detail will allow us to contact your nominee if they are shortlisted.
AWARD: Citizen of the Year ☐ Young Citizen of the Year ☐ Community Group or Event of the Year ☐
NOMINATOR (YOUR DETAILS): Title: First Name: Last Name:
Gender: ☐Male ☐Female Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander: ☐ Yes
Age: ☐ Under 18 ☐ 18 - 24 ☐ 25 - 34 ☐ 35 - 49 ☐ 50 - 65 ☐ 65+
Position/ Organisation:
Address:
Town: Daytime contact number:
Mobile: Email:
At least one phone number is mandatory. *This detail will allow us to contact you if we require further information about your nominee.*

Is your nominee a:

- ☐ A family member
- ☐ Colleague
- ☐ Friend
- ☐ Someone you admire

☐ I do not wish for my nominee to know I nominated them

TELL US ABOUT YOUR NOMINEE

In providing details below about your nominee, feel free to attach additional pages or other supporting material such as:

- Personal references
- Portfolios
- Resumes
- Newspaper articles
- Websites

It may also be helpful to keep in mind the following assessment criteria:

- Demonstrated excellence in their field
- Contribution to their community
- Being an inspirational role model

I'm nominating this person because...

REFEREES ABLE TO SUPPORT YOUR RECOMMENDATION	
REFEREE 1: Title: First Name: Last Name:	
Address:	
Town:	Daytime contact number:
Mobile:	Email:
At least one phone number is mandatory.	
REFEREE 2: Title: First Name: Last Name:	
Address:	
Town:	Daytime contact number:
Mobile:	Email:
At least one phone number is mandatory.	

Nominations close no later than 5pm Monday 1 December 2025.

Please email nominations to:
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or post to:

King Island Council
PO Box 147
Currie TAS 7256

or hand deliver to:

King Island Council
Administration Office
10 George St
Currie