



# Australia Day AWARDS

## NOMINATION GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA

In Palmerston, our vision is 'A Place for People'.

The Palmerston Australia Day Awards acknowledge and recognize the selfless efforts of individuals and groups within our community who embrace this vision.

## NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN IN THE FOLLOWING CATEGORIES

- **CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

30 years or older as at 26 January 2021.

- **YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Under 30 years as at 26 January 2021.

- **COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

This award is to recognise and encourage significant contributions to community life and to promote national pride and community responsibility within the Palmerston Municipality.

### **CITIZEN AND YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR**

Consideration is given, but not limited to the following selection criteria

- Must be an Australian Citizen
- Must reside in the Municipality of Palmerston
- Has performed a service to the community
- Is an inspiration role model for the Australian Community
- Has shown achievements in community activities, academic, sporting, personal cultural, environmental and or social responsibility

### **COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR**

Consideration is given, but not limited to the following selection criteria

- Event has occurred in the Municipality of Palmerston
- Raised funds for a community charity, event, or project
- Was a successful project, event, or activity
- Brought credit or recognition to a community through a cultural, environmental, or sporting achievement.

Nomination forms available [www.palmerston.nt.gov.au](http://www.palmerston.nt.gov.au)

Nominations close 27 November 2020.

## CRITERIA

The selection panel will consist of the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and one other community representative.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Nominees must be Australian citizens and must reside within the City of Palmerston Municipality.
- Nominations must be received by COB, 27 November 2020. Any nominations received after this time will not be accepted.
- Contribution by an individual or group to the Palmerston Municipality to be voluntary and unpaid and may be of general or specific nature.
- Nominees must have contributed significantly to the community, in any field considered appropriate.
- The nomination form must be fully completed.
- Ensure the person being nominated is notified by the nominator before submitting the nomination.
- Nominees must demonstrate active concern for the rights, welfare, wellbeing and/or advancement of others and be able to display leadership, innovation, or creativity in their activities.
- Unsuccessful nominees may be re-nominated in subsequent years, by completing a new nomination form. Previous year's nomination forms will not be accepted.
- Awards will not be granted posthumously.
- The nominee must not be a Member of Parliament or be a recipient of Australian and imperial Honors.
- Nominations should include a photo and a substantial summary of the person or activity and two letters of support or referees from different perspectives of the applicant's achievements. Referees may be contacted by the selection committee as part of the decision-making process and at least one referee should have a good knowledge of the nominee's key area of activity.
- The nominated person/organisation must agree to be contacted by a Media company, nominated by City of Palmerston for an interview and be filmed. This clip will form part of the Australia Day ceremony/promotion for future marketing for City of Palmerston.
- The selection committee reserves the right to obtain more information about each person from whatever source appropriate.
- The decisions of the selection committee shall be final, and no correspondence will be entered into about decisions made.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

- To nominate, please complete the appropriate nomination form.
- Photos and any supporting documentation should be attached to the nomination form.
- A media company (nominated by City of Palmerston) will contact the nominee for an interview and a short film clip.
- All nominees will be notified after the closing date, advising they have been nominated and inviting them and their nominators to attend the Australia Day Awards evening and Australia Day ceremony on Australia Day.

## ENQUIRIES

Please contact council on 8935 9975 or email your application email: [palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au](mailto:palmerston@palmerston.nt.gov.au) or post nominations to City of Palmerston, PO Box 1, Palmerston NT 0831