



Fairfield City Mayor's Youth Achievement Awards Conditions of Entry

CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION

Council will accept recommendations from community members, government and non-government organisations and Councillors. Promotion of the awards will be through social, print and any other media deemed appropriate.

In the event that no nominations are made within a certain category, the award will be withdrawn.

Individuals can be nominated for more than one category, however, can only be the recipient of one award. Nomination criteria for the following categories include:

Creating Change Award

 Young people who create positive change in the community by leading new or existing social, cultural or environmental initiatives.

Sports Impact Award

- Young people who have achieved excellence in their chosen sport
- Young people who act as positive role models through their participation in sport, by demonstrating leadership and positive life values.

Leadership Award

- Young people who lead by example and inspire others to pursue their personal best
- Young people who have a positive influence and play a significant role in representing the voices of young people in Fairfield City.

Creative Arts Award

 Young people who demonstrate excellence in the creative arts through creative practice or arts administration.

New Beginnings Award (Newly Arrived Youth)

- Newly arrived young people who have displayed strong leadership potential while settling in Australia
- Nominations in this category must be young people who have settled in Australia within the past 5 years.

Start-up Talent Award

 Young people who demonstrate innovation and talent while designing and developing their own business or social enterprise.

Phoenix Award

- Young people who demonstrate resilience by overcoming significant personal challenges
- Young people who are empowered by their experiences and resilience for their personal growth or to help and inspire others.

Outstanding Youth Group

- Organised youth groups who work towards positive outcomes for the community while developing the skills and capacity of its members
- Nominations in this category must be groups, not individuals
- Nominated groups must be comprised entirely or primarily of young people aged between 12 and 24
- Young people must have a direct role in the planning and delivery of the group's activities.

First Nations Youth Award

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who demonstrate achievement in various areas including school, workplace or sporting participation, leadership activities and cultural advancement
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who have demonstrated pride in Fairfield's local Aboriginal heritage and culture and respect for cultural differences in our communities
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people who have demonstrated a commitment to the Reconciliation movement and processes to improve relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the wider community.

The nominator must provide two referees to support the nomination.

Conditions of Entry

- 1. Nominees must be a resident or be able to demonstrate their achievements are undertaken in (and have a clear and direct impact within) Fairfield City
- 2. Nominees must be aged between 12 and 24 at the time of the activity
- 3. Nominees cannot be Council employees. Current Council employees cannot submit nominations
- 4. Nominees cannot be self-nominated
- 5. Nominations must include the name and contact details of the nominator and two Referees
- 6. Nominations must be completed using the online Mayor's Youth Achievement Awards nomination forms
- 7. The nomination form must be completed in full; otherwise the nomination will be ineligible
- 8. The nomination should directly relate to the relevant criteria listed above
- 9. An individual need only be nominated once to be considered. The number of nominations received per nominee bears no weight on the outcome
- 10. Winners should be available to attend the Mayor's Achievement Awards Night that will be announced at the time of nominations (inability to attend does not disqualify entry)
- 11. Nomination information may be used for publicity purposes
- 12. The decision of the *Mayor's Youth Achievement Awards* assessment committee is final and no correspondence will be entered into.