Australia Day Awards 2025 Guidelines



The Australia Day Awards are presented annually to local citizens and groups who have made outstanding contributions to the community. The awards are provided by the National Australia Day Council and are administered by local councils throughout Australia on their behalf.

Australia Day Awards are presented in the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Fraser Environment Award
- Sports Award
- Health Award
- Senior Citizen Award
- Small Business Award
- Cultural and Arts Award

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Nominations must be submitted on Council's official nomination form.
- Nominees cannot apply on their own behalf.
- Nominations must be received by 4.30pm, Monday 30 September 2024.
- Nominations must include the name and contact number of one independent referee that can provide supporting evidence for the nomination.
- Nominations must also meet the requirements of the respective award:

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR:

An Australian citizen, 24 years or over on 26 January 2025. They must either live, work or study in Liverpool and have either made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

NOTE: The Citizen of the Year will be invited to attend major receptions as a guest of Council.

YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR:

An Australian citizen, 23 years or under on 26 January 2025. They must either live, work or study in Liverpool and have either made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

FRASER ENVIRONMENT AWARD:

Recognises the work of an individual, group or organisation that has devoted time, energy and passion to the Liverpool environment. This contribution can occur in the year prior to the award being presented or as recognition of a longstanding commitment or service to the Liverpool environment. Large, funded organisations are excluded.

SPORTS AWARD:

Recognises the work of an individual or group that has devoted time, energy and passion to sporting pursuits in the Liverpool local government area. This contribution can occur as an athlete, volunteer, supporter or anyone who has links to the various sporting groups and clubs in Liverpool. The individual or group must have made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

HEALTH AWARD:

A professional working in the local health industry encompassing the areas of medicine, nursing, allied health or health research who has made a significant achievement during the current year, and /or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years in the field of health. Nominees must:

- be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- reside or work in the City of Liverpool
- demonstrate their achievements to health in Liverpool.

SENIOR CITIZEN AWARD:

An Australian citizen, 60 years or older on 26 January 2025. They must either live, work or study in Liverpool and have either made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

SMALL BUSINESS AWARD:

This award is given to a small business (employing 20 people or less) in the Liverpool area that has made a significant contribution to the local economy and community. This could include;

- A local employment initiative
- Driving innovation
- Support for local community development and social enterprises
- Contributing to local economy
- Contributing to city activation
- A pivot* that has demonstrated resilience in the face of adversity

*Our definition of pivot is when a company makes a fundamental change to their business after determining that their existing operating model or product is no longer suitable – this may involve introducing new products or services, beginning to sell online and beginning to offer deliveries.

This contribution can occur in the year prior to the award being presented or as recognition of a long-standing commitment to the growth and innovation of the Liverpool economy and community.

CULTURAL AND ARTS AWARD:

Recognises the work of an individual, group or organisation that has devoted time, energy and passion to the arts and culture in the City of Liverpool. This contribution can occur in the year prior to the award being presented or as recognition of a long standing commitment or service to the arts and culture in the City of Liverpool.

Nomination forms and associated information must be received by **4.30pm, Monday 30 September 2024**. Completed nomination forms should be sent to:

Civic & Executive Services

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