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Message from the Premier

Nominations are now open for the 2020 Queensland Greats Awards. This year, this significant awards program will celebrate 20 years of recognising exceptional individuals and institutions for their remarkable contribution to our great State.

Since the awards began in 2001, 95 individuals, 15 institutions, five posthumous and one honorary recipient have been recognised as Queensland Greats.

These Queensland Greats have helped Queensland to grow over the past 20 years into a global, thriving powerhouse, recognised on the national and international scene for our achievements and successes in the fields of sport, the arts, science, philanthropy and business.

Some of the remarkable Queenslanders leading the charge include Professor Ian Frazer AC, named a Queensland Great in 2006 after his world-first, successful trials of a vaccine for cervical cancer, and 2016 Queensland Greats recipient, Mal Meninga AM, who was named as one of Australia's best rugby league players in the game's 100-year history, and coached the Queensland State of Origin team to a decade of dominance between 2006 and 2015.

The first recipient in the posthumous category, established in 2015, was respected conservationist and world-renowned television personality Steve Irwin. Steve founded one of Queensland's most iconic tourist destinations and as "The Crocodile Hunter" shared his passion for conservation with audiences around the world.

In 2019, the institution category recognised the Queensland Country Women’s Association as a Queensland Great for its commitment to improving the lives of women and their families in rural, regional and remote communities across Queensland.

I strongly encourage you to add to this honour roll full of inspirational Queenslanders by nominating other outstanding individuals or institutions deserving of one of our most prestigious awards – there are thousands of remarkable Queenslanders helping to improve our State.

Recipients will be announced as part of 2020 Queensland Day activities, celebrated annually on 6 June. All Queensland Greats are honoured with a commemorative plaque, proudly displayed at Roma Street Parkland, Brisbane.

I look forward to announcing another round of remarkable recipients in June 2020 to mark the 20th anniversary of the Queensland Greats Awards.

Annastacia Palaszczuk MP

Premier of Queensland

Minister for Trade

The awards

The Queensland Greats Awards recognises extraordinary Queenslanders whose remarkable long-term or lifetime achievements have made a significant contribution to the history and development of Queensland.

The awards program identifies and celebrates legendary Queenslanders and institutions.

A selection of individuals, institutions and posthumous recipients will be announced as Queensland Greats, coinciding with Queensland Day celebrations on 6 June 2020.

2020 awards timeline

31 January 2020	Nominations close
February/March 2020	Nomination judging
June 2020	Recipients announced on or around Queensland Day, 6 June.

Award categories

Individual

For individuals who have shown a lifetime of dedication and contribution to the development of Queensland.

Institution

For companies or organisations operating in Queensland, public or private, regardless of size or industry, that have contributed to Queensland for a considerable period. This includes multi-national subsidiaries, partnerships, franchises, non-government associations, community organisations, registered charities, government agencies and bodies.

Posthumous

To honour deceased individuals who demonstrated a lifetime of dedication and contribution to the development of Queensland.

To mark the 20th anniversary of the Queensland Greats Awards, an overall Premier's Award will be discretionally awarded.

How to nominate

1. Refer to these guidelines and conditions of entry for full program criteria.
2. Complete your nomination **online** at **qldgreats.awardsplatform.com**

Note: guidelines will also be included online throughout the nomination process as hint boxes which will pop up as the nominator progresses through each stage.

3. Nominations must include:

Completed online nomination (required)

The nomination must be completed online at **qldgreats.awardsplatform.com**

An individual is not permitted to nominate himself or herself, however an institution may be nominated by the institution's authorised officer.

Nominations provided in hard copy or by way of email, USB or cloud storage will not be accepted.

Written response (required)

Address the questions relevant to an individual, institution or posthumous nomination – this must be completed to be a valid nomination and assessed by the judges. These responses should not include confidential information as the responses may be made publicly available should the nomination be shortlisted.

Consent (recommended)

Nominators are encouraged to contact the nominee prior to submitting the nomination to seek their consent and feedback prior to submitting the nomination.

References (required)

Two references are required. References for nominees in the Institution category must be from persons external to the nominated organisation. The references can be supplied as two letters of reference, or at a minimum, one letter of reference and contact details for another referee.

Letters of reference must be written in reference to the nomination and are to provide further information about the nominee. As a guide, letters should include the following information:

- referee's relationship to the nominee
- referee's interpretation of how the nominee has contributed to the development of Queensland, including their exemplary and inspirational qualities
- if able, provide qualitative and/or quantitative results on the nominee.

All letters are to be on letterhead and signed. Contact details, including an email address and telephone number, must be provided on all letters of reference.

As part of the standard reference check process, referees may be contacted to verify their reference and provide additional information.

Supporting documentation (optional)

You may submit up to five relevant supporting materials with your nomination, such as portfolios and newspaper articles. Please note these materials must be uploaded via the online nomination portal as prompted and will not be accepted by any other means.

4. Please submit your nomination as per instructions below:
 - Nominations can only be submitted **online** via **qldgreats.awardsplatform.com**
 - Nominations provided in hard copy or by way of email, USB or cloud storage will not be accepted.
 - Supporting documentation and letters of reference will only be accepted via the online upload function within your nomination at **qldgreats.awardsplatform.com** and not by any other means.
 - Receipt of all nominations will be acknowledged via an automatically generated email from Award Force. Please ensure you provide a correct email address on your nomination form. If you do not receive a confirmation email within two business days after submitting your nomination please notify the Awards Coordinator via email at **OldGreatsAwards@premiers.qld.gov.au** or telephone (07) 3003 9200.

No responsibility will be taken for the nominee's failure to acknowledge receipt of the confirmation email.

- You may be contacted after submitting a nomination and asked to provide further details.
- Nominations must be received by **5 pm, Friday 31 January 2020**. Late nominations will not be considered. No responsibility will be taken for nominations that are not received by the closing date.

For more information about the awards or how to complete your nomination, please contact the Awards Coordinator at telephone (07) 3003 9200 or via email QldGreatsAwards@premiers.qld.gov.au

Nomination questions

Nominating an individual *(Maximum 700 words)*

About the nominee (500–700 words):

- What are the nominee’s significant lifetime achievements and contribution/s to Queensland?
- What are the exemplary and inspirational qualities demonstrated by the nominee?
- Outline how the nominee has gone above and beyond what could reasonably be expected of someone in a similar position.
- Provide demonstrated evidence, including qualitative or quantitative information that is accurate, factual and specific.

Nominating an institution *(Maximum 700 words)*

About the organisation (500–700 words):

- Information including the organisation’s nature of work, locations and staff.
- What are the institution’s significant long-term achievements and contribution/s to the Queensland community?
- Outline how this organisation has delivered beyond what could reasonably be expected of another similar organisation.
- Provide demonstrated evidence, including qualitative or quantitative information that is accurate, factual and specific.

Nominating an individual posthumously *(Maximum 700 words)*

About the nominee (500–700 words):

- What are the nominee’s significant lifetime achievements and contribution/s to Queensland?
- What are the exemplary and inspirational qualities demonstrated by the nominee?
- Outline how the nominee has gone above and beyond what could reasonably be expected of someone in a similar position.
- Provide demonstrated evidence, including qualitative or quantitative information that is accurate, factual and specific.

Judging criteria

The nomination must address the questions relevant to the individual or institution. This must be completed to be a valid nomination and will be assessed by the judges. When answering the questions, it is important to provide specific examples of how the nominee's lifetime of dedication and contribution to Queensland was/has been outstanding.

One's professional duties or role is not necessarily sufficient to be nominated. Where the achievement(s) and contributions(s) relate to the nominee's occupation, vocation or volunteer work, those achievements/contributions must be over and above what might be reasonably expected of another in a similar position. The mere performance of duties will not necessarily be sufficient to support a nomination.

If you are aware the nominee has previously been nominated for a Queensland Greats Awards, it is recommended your nomination explain the further work that has been undertaken since the previous nomination.

Conditions of entry

1. The State of Queensland through the Department of the Premier and Cabinet (the State) is the organiser of the Queensland Greats Awards (the Awards).
2. In these conditions of entry:
 - a. “Award Category” means the relevant category described as either “Individual”, “Institution” or “Posthumous” as set out in the Award guidelines; and
 - b. “Nomination Questions” means the nomination questions for the relevant Award Category as set out in the Award guidelines.

Entry requirements

3. A nomination will only be eligible if:
 - a. a true and complete nomination, which addresses the Nomination Questions, is submitted online at qldgreats.awardsplatform.com;
 - b. the nominee meets the eligibility requirements of the relevant Award Category;
 - c. the nomination complies with these conditions of entry; and
 - d. the nomination is accompanied by two references, at least one of which must be written, by persons other than the nominator and the nominee, who, for institution nominations, are external to the organisation.
4. Nominations close **5 pm, Friday 31 January 2020** (the Closing Date).
5. All nominations must be received by the Closing Date. No responsibility is accepted for lost, misdirected or nominations received after the Closing Date.
6. Individual nominees must have been born in Queensland or have resided in, and contributed to, Queensland for a considerable period.
7. Posthumous nominees must have been born in Queensland or have resided in, and contributed to, Queensland for a considerable period.
8. In the case of posthumous nominees, the State will seek consent from the nominee’s next of kin (a person’s closest living relative in order: the surviving spouse, children, grandchildren, parents, siblings, cousins) during the judging process. The State may, at any time prior to the announcement of the recipients, exclude any nominations where the State considers, in its sole discretion, that appropriate consent has not been provided by the next of kin or relevant persons.
9. Institution nominees must have contributed to Queensland for a considerable period and can be any company or organisation operating in Queensland, private or public, regardless of size or industry, including multi-national subsidiaries, partnerships, franchises, incorporated or unincorporated associations, community organisations, registered charities, government agencies and bodies. Community organisations that operate solely as a social media or online group are not eligible for nomination as an institution.

10. Individuals cannot self-nominate. Individual nominations must be submitted by a person other than the nominee. Nominations for the Institution Award may be made by the nominated institution's authorised officer.
11. Nominations must be submitted by persons aged 18 years and over.
12. Sitting local, state and federal members of Parliament, and current vice regal officers are not eligible for nomination. Retired members of Parliament and officers will be considered based on work in addition to their official duties.
13. A person or institution cannot receive more than one award. Divisions or business units of previous Institution Award winners are not eligible for nomination.
14. Persons or institutions nominated for the Awards in previous years may only be nominated for the 2020 Awards if either:
 - a. there has been a significant change to the nominee's achievements and contribution to Queensland since the previous nomination. The nomination must clearly set out this change in circumstances; or
 - b. the nominator was invited by the judges of previous years' Awards programs to submit a new nomination for the nominee with additional information. The nomination must clearly state that this is the basis of the nomination and provide all additional information requested.

The judges will, in their absolute discretion, determine whether a previously nominated person or institution is eligible for the 2020 Awards.
15. Nominations must address the Nomination Questions and not exceed 700 words in total.
16. The State is not liable for any costs of the nominator or nominee associated with the Awards including costs incurred in preparing the nomination and travel and accommodation for attendance at the presentation of the Awards.
17. The State reserves the right at any time to verify the eligibility of a nomination.
18. The State may in its absolute discretion reject or disqualify a nomination at any stage, if it considers that the nomination does not comply with the conditions of entry, the information contained in the nomination is false or misleading or the nomination brings the Awards into public disrepute or ridicule, or offends public opinion or reflects unfavourably upon the Awards' reputation.

Judging

19. The Awards will be judged by a panel of judges which may consist of persons outside of the public service and/or industry and business representatives.
20. The judges' decision is final on all matters relating to the Awards, including but not limited to the eligibility of nominees for Award Categories and the selection of Award recipients, and no correspondence will be entered into.
21. The judges reserve the right to ask nominators or nominees to provide additional information.

22. The judges reserve the right, in their sole discretion, to:
 - a. consider nominations submitted in previous years' Awards programs for the 2020 Awards;
 - b. retain nominations submitted in the 2020 Awards for consideration in future years' Awards programs; and
 - c. invite a nominator to submit a new nomination for the nominee in the 2020 Awards program with additional information.
23. The State and the judges reserve the right not to allocate an award in any of the Award Categories (Individual, Institution and Posthumous) if, in their opinions, the nominations are of insufficient merit. The number of awards allocated in each Award Category will be at the State's and the judges' discretion.

Intellectual property

24. The nominator acknowledges and agrees:
 - a. that the material contained in the nomination is not of a confidential nature;
 - b. that the State has a perpetual, royalty-free, non-exclusive licence to edit, amend, copy, reproduce, use, publish and communicate to the public, in full or part, the material contained in the nomination;
 - c. that the State's use of material contained in the nomination in accordance with these conditions of entry, will not give rise to any infringement or unauthorised use of any third party intellectual property rights;
 - d. that he/she will not make any claim against the State arising from the exercise of this licence granted to the State, including claims in relation to any moral rights that they may otherwise have; and
 - e. to indemnify the State against all costs and claims by any third parties arising from a breach of these warranties.

Personal information

25. The nominator agrees that:
 - a. his/her personal information will be collected by the State for the purpose of administering the Awards;
 - b. his/her name may be disclosed to the nominee;
 - c. his/her personal information will be given to the panel of judges for the purpose of judging the Awards;
 - d. in the case of the Posthumous Award Category, the nominator's name may be disclosed to the nominee's next of kin; and
 - e. he/she has obtained the prior consent of the referees to disclose the referees' personal information to the State and panel of judges to enable the State or the panel of judges to contact the referees to verify the information contained in the nomination.

Promotion

26. The nominator consents to their name and material contained in response to the Nomination Questions being used in connection with the Awards to report on, promote and publicise the Awards, both now and in future years, including in print and online format such as the State's Awards website and on the State's social media channels.
27. The nominator acknowledges that Award recipients will be honoured with a plaque at Roma Street Parkland, Brisbane.
28. Award recipients may be requested by the State to be photographed for promotional purposes and to be profiled on the State's Awards website and on the State's social media channels.

General

29. To the extent permitted by law, the State is not liable for any loss or damage suffered or incurred by any person or personal property in relation to the Awards including, but not limited to, consequential and indirect losses by reason of any act or omission, deliberate or negligent, by the State, its employees, sub-contractors or agents.
30. In no event will the State or judges be held responsible for any comment, viewpoint or expression, whether direct or implied, concerning a nomination. By submitting a nomination, the nominator agrees not to bring claims against any judges or the State. The nominator must use its reasonable endeavours to obtain from the nominee their agreement not to bring claims against any judges or the State.
31. The State may change these conditions of entry or cancel or vary the Awards at any time, whether before, on or after the Closing Date.

Queensland Greats honoured since 2001

Individuals

Stefan Ackerie
The Honourable Mike Ahern AO
Dr Robert (Uncle Bob) Anderson OAM
Robert (Bob) Atkinson AO APM
Dr Sallyanne Atkinson AO
Philip Bacon AM
Professor Joe Baker AO OBE
Professor Perry F Bartlett FAA
Wayne Bennett AM
Clive Berghofer AM
Allan Border AO
Andrew Brice AM
Bill Bristow AM
William (Bill) Brown OAM
Ian Brusasco AO
The Honourable Dame Quentin Bryce AD CVO
Dr Betty Byrne Henderson AM
Professor Julie H Campbell AO
Kevin (Kev) Carmody
Dr George Chapman AO
Diane Cilento
Distinguished Professor Judith Clements AC
Professor Peter Coaldrake AO
Fred Conway
Ashley Cooper AO
Hugh Cornish AM
Dr Patrick Corrigan AM
John Curro AM MBE
Distinguished Professor James Dale AO FTSE
Phil Dickie
Professor Peter Doherty AC
Emeritus Professor Ken Donald AO
Dr Dimity Dornan AO
Sister Angela Mary Doyle AO
Pearl Duncan
The Honourable Sir Llewellyn (Llew) Edwards AC
Tim Fairfax AC
Charles (Chuck) Feeney (Honorary)
Pat Fennell
Dr Thancoupie Gloria Fletcher James AO
The Honourable Leneen Forde AC
Professor Ian Frazer AC
John (Jack) Gleeson AM KSG
Professor Michael Good AO
Dr Tony Gould AM
Professor Adèle Green AC
Doug Hall AM
William (Bill) Hauritz AM
Emeritus Professor John Hay AC
Matthew Hayden AM
Ruth Hegarty
Sir Leo Hielscher AC
Professor Ross Homel AO
Patrick Terrence (Terry) Jackman AM
Graham Jackson OAM
Dr Clem Jones AO
Dr Jim Kennedy AO CBE (C)
Gail Ker OAM
Dr Aila Keto AO
Rod Laver AC MBE
Dr Richard Lewandowski
Wally Lewis AM

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Dr James Edward (Eddie) Liu OBE OAM
Dr Mark Loane AM
Professor G.Q. Max Lu AO FAA FTSE
Robert MacPherson
Deborah Mailman
David Malouf AO
Associate Professor Henrietta Marrie AM
Lloyd McDermott (Mullenjaiwakka)
Kay McGrath OAM
Mal Meninga AM
Olga Miller
David Nilsson
Greg Norman AO
Kerry O'Brien
Patricia O'Connor
Dr Margaret Olley AC
Daphne Pirie AO MBE
Emeritus Professor Lawrie Powell AC
Angelo Puglisi
William Robinson AO
Dr Robyn Rodwell
Geoffrey Rush AC
Anthony Ryan
Professor Matthew Sanders FASSA
Sir Sydney Schubert
Win Schubert AO
Dr Evelyn Scott AO
Professor Cindy Shannon FQA
Ted Smout OAM
Professor David Tudehope AM
Herb Wharton
Terry White AO
Reginald Murray (R.M.) Williams AO CMG
Nicholas (Nick) Xynias AO BEM

Posthumous

Steve Irwin
Graham 'Butch' Lenton
Eddie Koiki Mabo
George Roberts CBE
Dr John Sinclair AO

Institutions

Australian Red Cross Society
Blue Care
Endeavour Foundation
Local Government Association of Queensland
Mater Misericordiae Health Services
Queensland Country Women's Association
Queensland Meals On Wheels
Queensland State Emergency Service
Queensland Symphony Orchestra
Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia
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RSL (Queensland Branch)
St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland
Surf Life Saving Queensland
The University of Queensland
RSPCA Queensland Inc.