



Queensland
Greats Awards

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Message from the Premier

For more than 20 years, the Queensland Greats Awards has been recognising outstanding Queensland individuals and institutions for their lasting and impactful contribution to the State.

As the Awards enters its 21st year, we are looking for our next group of Queensland Greats—the men, women and organisations that have changed our State for the better, advanced our communities and industries, and gained worldwide recognition for their noteworthy achievements.

Queensland can lay claim to so many remarkable citizens, who deserve to be singled out and celebrated for the impact they have had on the lives of us all.

With nominations now open for the 2021 Queensland Greats Awards, I strongly encourage you to take the time to nominate those who should be recognised alongside the 102 individuals, 16 institutions, 6 posthumous and 1 honorary recipient that have been named as Queensland Greats since the awards began in 2001.

Recipients will be announced as part of the 2021 Queensland Day activities, celebrated annually on 6 June, with all Queensland Greats honoured with a commemorative plaque, proudly displayed at Roma Street Parkland, Brisbane.

On behalf of all Queenslanders, I hope you will help me ensure our exceptional individuals and institutions receive the recognition they deserve.

Annastacia Palaszczuk MP
Premier of Queensland
Minister for Trade

The awards

The Queensland Greats Awards recognises extraordinary Queenslanders who have made a long-term contribution to, or whose achievements have significantly impacted, 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 2021.

2021 awards timeline

July 2020	Nominations open
29 January 2021	Nominations close
March 2021	Nomination judging
June 2021	Recipients announced on or around Queensland Day, 6 June.

Award categories

Individual

For individuals who have made a long-term contribution to, or whose achievements have significantly impacted, the history and development of Queensland.

Institution

For companies or organisations operating in Queensland, public or private, regardless of size or industry, that have made a long-term contribution to, or whose achievements have significantly impacted, the history and development of Queensland. This includes multi-national subsidiaries, partnerships, franchises, non-government associations, community organisations and registered charities.

Posthumous

To honour deceased individuals who have made a long-term contribution to, or whose achievements have significantly impacted, the history and development of Queensland.

A Premier's Award may be discretionally awarded in 2021.

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)

A minimum of one reference is required. References for nominees in the "Institution" category must be from persons external to the nominated organisation.

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 signed and must include contact details, including an email address and telephone number.

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 **QldGreatsAwards@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 29 January 2021**. 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 via email at **QldGreatsAwards@premiers.qld.gov.au** or telephone (07) 3003 9200.

Nomination questions

Nominating an individual (*Maximum 500 words*)

About the nominee (300–500 words):

- What are the nominee’s long-term contribution to, or achievements which have significantly impacted, the history and development of 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 500 words*)

About the organisation (300–500 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 500 words*)

About the nominee (300–500 words).

- What are the nominee’s long-term contribution to, or achievements which have significantly impacted, the history and development of 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 long-term achievements, or significant 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 one reference, 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 29 January 2021** (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 and registered charities. 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 2021 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 or the state to submit a new nomination for the nominee. The nomination must clearly state that this is the basis of the nomination and provide all additional information requested.

The judges and the state will, in their absolute discretion, determine whether a previously nominated person or institution is eligible for the 2021 Awards.

15. Nominations must address the Nomination Questions and not exceed 500 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 and the State reserve the right to ask nominators or nominees to provide additional information.

22. The judges and the State reserve the right, in their sole discretion, to:
 - a. consider nominations submitted in previous years' Awards programs for the 2021 Awards;
 - b. retain nominations submitted in the 2021 Awards for consideration in future years' Awards programs; and
 - c. invite a nominator to submit a new nomination for the nominee in the 2021 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 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 AM

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 AO FAA

Nancy Bates OAM

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 AO

Graham Jackson OAM

Dr Clem Jones AO

Dr Jim Kennedy AO CBE (C)

Gail Ker OAM

Dr Aila Keto AO

Angus Lane OAM

Rod Laver AC MBE

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Dr Richard Lewandowski
Wally Lewis AM
Dr James Edward (Eddie) Liu OBE OAM
Dr Mark Loane AM
Father Mick Lowcock OAM
Professor G.Q. Max Lu AO FAA FTSE
Robert MacPherson AM
Deborah Mailman
David Malouf AO
Associate Professor Henrietta Marrie AM
Lloyd McDermott (Mullenjaiwakka)
Kay McGrath OAM
Mal Meninga AM
Olga Miller
Bruce Morcombe OAM
Denise Morcombe OAM
Associate Professor James Morton AM
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 AO FASSA
Sir Sydney Schubert
Win Schubert AO
Dr Evelyn Scott AO
Professor Cindy Shannon AM FQA
Ted Smout OAM

Betty Taylor
Professor David Tudehope AM
Herb Wharton AM
Terry White AO
Reginald Murray (R.M.) Williams AO CMG
Nicholas (Nick) Xynias AO BEM

Posthumous

Steve Irwin
Graham 'Butch' Lenton
Eddie Koiki Mabo
Richard (Darby) McCarthy OAM
George Roberts
Dr John Sinclair AO

Institutions

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

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