



2025 **CITIZEN** of the Year and **YOUNG CITIZEN** of the Year

GUIDELINES AND OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

Introduction

Council is looking to recognise the achievements and contributions of an everyday Bayside resident who has done something exceptional to change a life, help a community, promote a good cause or run a campaign to get something done.

A local 'hero' who has made a difference. That special person may be a charity worker, a volunteer or a simply a caring neighbour.

If you know of someone who has done, or is doing, something extraordinary let us know; it is a great way to say thank you.

About the Award

The Bayside Citizen of the Year Awards are announced at the Australia Day official ceremony by the Mayor of Bayside.

The Award recognises the exceptional contributions made by an individual to the local community in an area that enhances the quality of life for residents of the Bayside Local Government Area (LGA).

All nominations are assessed in strict confidence by a selection panel which is comprised of council and community representatives.

Criteria and Eligibility

1. The nominee must be nominated by an individual or organisation.
2. The nominee must be an Australian Citizen and live within the Bayside LGA. Proof of Citizenship is required.
3. Nominees for Young Citizen of the Year should be aged 13 years to 24 years as at the 26 January 2025. Younger nominees may be considered at the discretion of the selection panel if they believe the nomination meets all the criteria.
4. The nomination must detail the achievements and background of the nominee and state the reason/s for the nomination.
5. The nominee's contribution **must** focus on their achievements within the Bayside LGA. However, their work or contribution outside the area will also be given consideration.
6. The nominee should be held in high regard in the community or their field of work and by their peers.
7. The nomination must be supported by at least one, or more, referees who are not the nominator. The Committee reserve the right to contact each referees to verify any information or seek further comments.
8. The Committee will Award one person the honour of Citizen of the Year and one person Young Citizen of the Year. Recipients will be known as the 'Bayside Citizen of the Year' and the 'Bayside Young Citizen of the Year'. The Committee reserves the right in exceptional circumstances to award more than one award, or no award if appropriate.
9. The Committees recommendation once adopted by Council is final and no correspondence will be entered into.
10. All nomination information and material submitted remains the property of Bayside Council.
11. The following people are not eligible for nomination:
 - ✦ Current employees of Bayside Council, their spouses, defacto partners or relatives. 'Relative' is someone related by birth or marriage.
 - ✦ Bayside Councillors, Federal or State politicians, their spouses, defacto partners or relatives. 'Relative' is someone related by birth or marriage.
 - ✦ Anyone who has previously held the title Bayside Citizen of the Year or Bayside Young Citizen of the Year.

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Nomination FORM



Selection and Eligibility Criteria

The criteria for this award are detailed in the Award Guidelines. Please ensure you have read and understood these before nominating. Proof of Australian Citizenship must be submitted.

All nominations must be sent to: **Bayside Council, PO Box 21, Rockdale NSW 2216**
or email to: **council@bayside.nsw.gov.au**

Closing Date

Nominations will be accepted **until 4:30pm, Friday 8 November 2024.**

Judging

This nomination form is circulated to the selection panel for consideration.
The award must be for work performed principally within the Bayside LGA.

Person Nominated (tick the appropriate award category): ☐ **Citizen** ☐ **Young Citizen**

Full Name

Preferred Name

Address

Suburb

Postcode

Contact Numbers

H

W

M

Nominated By

Name

Organisation (if applicable)

Address

Suburb

Postcode

Contact Numbers

H

W

M

I have read and accept the conditions of entry. The information contained in the nomination, is to my knowledge, true and accurate.

Signature

Referee

Please provide the name of at least one person (other than the nominator) who is familiar with the achievements in this nomination who can act as a referee.

Name

Address

Suburb

Postcode

Contact Numbers

H

W

M

Signature



BACKGROUND AND REASONS FOR THE NOMINATION

Summary

In approximately 200 words please summarise the nominee’s outstanding service and/or achievement(s) for work in the Bayside LGA.

Main Achievements

Please detail the time periods these activities have occurred. Consideration is given to achievement in the year immediately prior to the year the award is being assessed for.

Other Awards

List any awards already received.

Membership of Local Organisations

Is the person an active member of any organisations?

Please Provide Other Relevant Information

Please attach any additional supporting information or documentation (press clippings, copies of awards etc)

Other Referees

Please provide the names, addresses and phone numbers of other people who support this nomination.

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

Relationship to Nominee

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

Relationship to Nominee

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