



2016 City of Ballarat

# YOUTH AWARDS



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INFORMATION & NOMINATION FORM

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## Nomination Form

### Overview

The City of Ballarat's Youth Council is proud to present the 2016 City of Ballarat Youth Awards to be held at the Regent Cinemas on Friday 21 October, 2016.

Approximately 20,000 young people aged 12 to 25 year olds call Ballarat home. The City of Ballarat Youth Awards provides an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the city's young people who volunteer and contribute to our community. This year's event follows on from the success of the 2015 City of Ballarat Youth Awards, which attracted more than 115 nominations and more than 350 guests to the ceremony.

The City of Ballarat Youth Awards, formerly the City of Ballarat Youth Recognition Awards, was created in 2005 by the Youth Councillors to recognise the valuable role of young people in the community, particularly in areas additional to academic and sports. As a result the City of Ballarat Youth Awards was born.

### Youth Award Categories

#### Challenge and Change Award

Recognises a young person who has made a substantial turn-around in their life. This young person will have demonstrated personal growth whilst overcoming challenges in their day-to-day life. This young person has made valued and respected contributions to the community which resulted in a positive, supportive and safe social and emotional environment.

#### Group Project Award

Recognises a group of young people who have volunteered to develop or implement a project which has benefited both the young people involved and the broader community. They have created positive, healthy relationships with their peers, family and community members. The group could be a school group, environmental group, volunteer organisation group, club or similar.



### **Leadership in Sport Award**

Recognises a young person (individual or team member) for outstanding achievement in leadership in sport. This includes making a difference to the community through sport or volunteering their time to a sporting organisation. This includes young coaches, umpires, team members and similar who go above and beyond to contribute to their organisation.

### **Leadership in the Arts Award**

Recognises and promotes the work of young people involved in the arts. This person has demonstrated positive leadership qualities in their field and have a positive vision for their future endeavours. These areas of art include performance, visual, design and multimedia.

### **Brighter Future Award**

Recognises a young person who is establishing initiatives and using their passions to make a difference to the future. This person has used their skills to learn, engage, influence and contribute to their community. This could be through school, media or community services.

### **Positive Leader Award**

Recognises and celebrates a young person who exhibits personal attributes that foster a positive appreciation of our young people. This person has demonstrated leadership in the community while working with others in a positive and helpful way. They may have led youth initiatives or held positions of leadership in committees or groups.

### **Young Carer Award**

Recognises young individuals who are giving their time to make life more comfortable for someone in need, making the difference between hospital or home, happiness or depression; and an outstanding contribution by caring for someone in their life.

### **Youth Volunteer Award**

Recognises a young person who makes an outstanding effort to contribute to the community through volunteering. This person shows great dedication and commitment to the program(s) they support. This person creates positive images, is a role model and shares their stories as well as the stories of others with the community.

### **TECH Award**

Recognises a young person who demonstrates enterprising technology skills, initiative and the ability to develop and create tech products promoting different ways of thinking and new ideas through design processes. This person is having a positive impact on their future by increasing their employable skills, engaging in meaningful learning and having fun along the way. This person may learn independently or as part of a learning network.

### **Adult Ally – Volunteer**

This award is open to people of 25 years and older, and recognises an individual who has helped make a difference to young people in their community. Through demonstrating that it is possible to be a mature and highly valued member of the community, they show their young peers that anything is possible. This award is not for someone who is employed in the youth field.

### **Adult Ally – Worker**

This award is open to people 25 years and older, and recognises the contribution made by a paid worker, who goes above and beyond their usual requirements by supporting young people in the community. This person could be a youth worker, school counsellor, teacher or similar.

## **MAJOR AWARDS**

### **ALL YOUTH NOMINEES ELIGIBLE FOR:**

#### **City of Ballarat Award (12 to 17 years)**

This young person does not need to be a high achiever, but someone who has consistent and genuine efforts in various aspects of their life. This may include schooling, employment, community involvement or supporting peers.

#### **City of Ballarat Award (18 to 25 years)**

This young person is someone who has consistent and genuine efforts in various aspects of their life. This may include secondary and tertiary studies, employment, community involvement or supporting peers.

## Nomination Form

All nominations must include contact details for the nominee directly, or they will not be considered. Please ensure you provide correct contact details.

Person nominated\*: \_\_\_\_\_

Award nominated for: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of young person (n/a for Adult Ally Awards): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee postal address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

Workplace (only for Adult Ally - Worker Award): \_\_\_\_\_

Is this person aware you have nominated them? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, would you like us to notify the nominee for you? \_\_\_\_\_





Tell us why you are nominating this person or group and why they deserve this award?

For the Leadership Arts Award, please supply a video or photos with two short performances or examples of their art. List titles below:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

For the Group Project Award: What was the aim or purpose of the project?  
Was it achieved?

How have the participants and the wider community benefitted from the group project?

**Who were the key players in the group project team?**

**What challenges had to be overcome?**

**Group Project Leader Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_





Judging criteria for each award is available if requested. Please email [youthawards@ballarat.vic.gov.au](mailto:youthawards@ballarat.vic.gov.au) to obtain a copy of the award criteria.

**Nominated by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominator signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, the nominator, acknowledge and accept that Youth Services may need to contact me in relation to this nomination.

If you cannot fit all information on this form, please attach a separate page with the nomination form.

- All award winners will receive a trophy and financial reward.
- Nominations not completed in full may not be considered.

The City of Ballarat also presents a Young Citizen of the year award each year. If you would like this young person to be automatically nominated for the 2017 City of Ballarat Young Citizen of the Year Award, please tick below.

I am submitting a nomination for the 2017 City of Ballarat Young Citizen of the Year Award

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