



Darebin Community Awards Nominations Guidelines

You can nominate an individual or group for one of the seven categories of awards. Including two new award categories in Sustainability and Lifetime Achievement.

The 2019 Awards are made up of seven categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Leader of the Year
- Young Citizen of the Year
- Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Emerging young Community Leader of the Year
- Community Group of the Year
- Sustainability Award
- Lifetime Achievement

How to Nominate a Person or Group:

Nominations open on 1 May 2019 and close 4pm, 31 July 2019.

1. Complete online nomination form (via www.darebin.vic.gov.au/communityawards2019)
2. Ensure you complete all sections of the nomination form and attach copies of any supporting information, e.g. previous awards won, newspaper or magazine articles, details of additional referees, etc.
3. Submit your Nomination online or download and print a version and submit by post or in-person at any Darebin Customer Service Centre.

All nominees and nominators will be invited to the Darebin Community Awards Night which will be held on Friday, 23 August 2019 at Preston City Hall.

Eligibility Criteria by Award Category

Citizen of the Year

Presented to an individual over 21 years of age. The nominee must be an Australian Citizen, who either lives, works, volunteers or studies in the City of Darebin, and who has made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Leader of the Year

Presented to an individual who symbolises the values important to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and is an inspirational leader and a role model for others. The nominee will have made significant impact in the Darebin community, through professional or voluntary undertakings, over a number of years.

Young Citizen of the Year (25 years and under)

Presented to an individual up to 25 years of age. The nominee must be an Australian Citizen, who either lives, works, volunteers' or studies in the City of Darebin, and who has made a noteworthy contribution during the current year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Emerging YOUNG Community Leader of the Year (25 years and under)

Presented to an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person up to the age of 25. The nominee will have made an outstanding contribution to their community and or demonstrated excellence in their chosen field, and is regarded as an inspirational role model for other members of the community.

Sustainability Award

Awarded to a sustainability champion who has, or is delivering a project/program/activity which delivers genuine and measurable action in response to an environmental issue relevant to Darebin, actively engages the local community, and whose project/program/activity complements Council's environmental priorities.

Lifetime Achievement Award

Presented to an individual to recognise outstanding leadership and commitment over a lifetime of achievements and service. This award celebrates longevity, legacy and impact on the community made over a number of years.

Community Group of the Year

A Community Group of four or more people who have performed a service to the community. This award targets voluntary groups with minimal funding – large funded organisations are excluded. The contribution can occur in the year prior to the award being presented or as recognition of a longstanding commitment/service to the community.

For further information and please contact Bronwyn Civic Events and Engagement Officer, Creative Culture and Events on 8470 8551 or e-mail civicevents@darebin.vic.gov.au

Further Information:

Civic Events and Engagement Officer

Phone: 8470 8551

Email: civicevents@darebin.vic.gov.au

Judging Criteria for Community Awards

Nominations for each award are judged by the Darebin Community Awards Committee.

Overall Judging Criteria

Judging is based on the following overall criteria:

1. Desire for prosperity with a share for all
2. Contribution to the cultural diversity of the community
3. Community values and support systems
4. Equality and equity
5. Practices ethical behaviour
6. Concern for sustainability and the environment.

Additional Category Judging Criteria

Citizen of the Year and Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Community Leader of the Year

- Demonstrated commitment to the betterment of the community
- Undertakes activities that have short and long term benefits for others
- Provides a positive role model for others
- Takes the lead and shows vision

- Undertakes activities that promote the welfare and wellbeing of the community
- Contributions made by nominee have either been done on a voluntary basis or exceed the normal requirements of the person's paid work.

Young Citizen of the Year and Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Emerging Young Leader of the Year

- Participates in the community
- Active in youth issues
- Is caring, compassionate and sharing
- Shows vision
- Takes the lead
- Positive role model to peers
- Accepts responsibility for self and others
- Shows outstanding achievement in either academic, sporting, cultural, environment or civic life.

Community Group of the Year

- Role and achievement of the group
- Service to the community
- Significant volunteer involvement
- Target community of the group nominated
- Benefits to target community and how they are measured and evaluated
- How does the group's role and achievements reflect the values of Darebin Community Awards as set out above?

Lifetime Achievement

- Significant service to the community, over and above general commitment
- Sustained active and deep engagement with the Darebin community
- How their achievements have affected the community in terms of longevity, legacy and impact.
- Shows integrity and leadership in all contributions made to business or civic life.

Sustainability Award

- Demonstrated genuine and measurable action in response to an environmental issue relevant to Darebin
- An individual, education or community group who has delivered project/program/activity that complements Council's environmental priorities.

- Actively engages the local community

Further Information:

Civic Events and Engagement Officer

Phone: 8470 8551

Email: civicevents@darebin.vic.gov.au

**CITY OF
DAREBIN**

274 Gower Street, Preston
PO Box 91, Preston, Vic 3072
T 8470 8888 **F** 8470 8877
E mailbox@darebin.vic.gov.au
darebin.vic.gov.au



If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, contact us through the National Relay Service.



العربية	Italiano	Soomalii
繁體中文	Македонски	Español
Ελληνικά	नेपाली	اردو
हिंदी	ਪੰਜਾਬੀ	Tiếng Việt