

Frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Q: Can I nominate myself?

A: Yes, self-nominations are accepted. You will be asked if you are nominating yourself or someone else in the nomination form.

Q: Can I submit more than one nomination?

A: Yes, you can submit as many nominations as you like, but they must all be for different individuals, teams or organisations.

Q: Can I nominate an individual and team from the same organisation?

A: Yes, but only through separate nominations. You will be asked if you are nominating an individual, team or organisation in the nomination form.

Q: Can I make the same nomination in more than one category?

A: No, nominations can only be made in one category. You are encouraged to select the most relevant category.

Q: What if the individual, team or organisation I want to nominate has achieved great things in a number of different categories?

A: You can only nominate an individual, team or organisation in one category. However, the Judging Panel may move your nomination into a different category if the members agree it is appropriate to do so.

Q: Can I nominate someone who has passed away?

A: No, the nominee must be nominated while they are living, however, the awards can be awarded posthumously.

Q: Can I nominate a person, team or organisation that is not from a multicultural background?

A: Yes, any individual, team or organisation who meets the category criteria are eligible for nomination. The focus of the nomination is on the contributions the nominee has made towards the promotion of multiculturalism in South Australia.

Q: I nominated an individual, team or organisation as part of a previous years' awards, but they were not shortlisted as a finalist. Can I nominate them again for this year's awards?

A: Yes, you can nominate the same nominee again, but the nomination will be assessed based on the achievements within the period described in the guidelines. (Unless otherwise stated, in the two (2) years leading up to the nomination closing date).

Q: I nominated a past finalist or winner of a previous years' awards, can I nominate them again for this year's awards?

A: Yes, you can nominate a past finalist or winner again, but the nomination will be assessed based on the achievements within the period described in the guidelines. (Unless otherwise stated, in the two (2) years leading up to the nomination closing date). All new nominations must include current information.

Q: Can I nominate a team or organisation I work with?

A: Yes, a team or organisation you work with can be nominated. You will be asked to mention the name of the team or organisation in the nomination form.

Q: I am a blogger and a podcaster, does this meet the criteria for the Media Award category?

A: Yes, the Media category can include many forms of media, including traditional (television, radio, newspapers, magazines) and new media (blogs, social media, podcasts, etc.).

Q: Do I need to provide supporting information for my nomination?

A: Yes, you must provide a supporting statement of up to 500 words (maximum). You are encouraged to include as much information as possible about the nominee to help the Judging Panel make an informed decision when determining the shortlisted finalists for each category.

Q: Do I need to provide supporting examples with my nomination?

A: Only nominations in the Media category need to include up to 10 supporting examples (articles, broadcasts, written portfolio, etc.). This is in addition to the supporting statement of up to 500 words (maximum). Supporting examples for nominations in categories other than Media are not required and will not be accepted as part of your nomination form.

Q: If I nominate myself, do I still need to provide referees with my nominations?

A: Yes, all nominations must include two independent referees.

Q: Can the two referees for my nomination be from the same organisation?

A: Yes, however nominators are encouraged to select diverse referees as they can provide different perspectives and experiences of the achievements of the individual, team or organisation nominated.

Q: I don't want the individual, team or organisation to know I am the person who nominated them for an award. Can this information be kept confidential?

A: Yes. You will be asked in the nomination form if you give permission for your name to be given to the nominee. If you do not want the nominee to know that you have nominated them, please indicated this in your nomination.

Q: If I nominate myself, what names should I use in the nomination form?

A: You will be asked to provide your first name and last name in the nomination form. However, if you are more commonly known by a different name, you have the option of also providing your preferred name.

Q: Can I submit a nomination in hardcopy?

A: Yes, you can email MulticulturalEvents@sa.gov.au to request a hardcopy of the nomination form. If returning your form by post, please remember to factor in Australia Post delivery times to ensure your nomination is received by the closing date.

Q: Can I submit a nomination after the closing date?

A: No, all nominations must be submitted by the closing date and time listed in the guidelines. Late or incomplete submissions will not be considered. If you are submitting a hardcopy nomination by post, please remember to factor in Australia Post delivery times.

Q: Will I receive a reminder during the nomination period to complete my nomination?

A: Yes, nominators will be reminded to finish incomplete nominations via email or phone as the closing date approaches.

Q: Will my nomination be considered if it contains mistakes?

A: You will be asked to declare that the information provided in your nomination, including the supporting statement, is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge. Please ensure all reasonable steps are taken to provide accurate information. Honest mistakes, such as misspelling a name or organisation will not affect your nomination. However, your nomination will not be considered if the information provided in the supporting statement is found to be inaccurate or misleading.