

# **Australian Alumni Award 2022**

## **Applicant Guidelines**

### **Description**

The annual Australian Alumni Awards recognize and celebrate the significant achievements of Alumni members who have graduated from any Australian university or Australian institute of higher learning whose endeavors reflect the best of Australian education and have contributed to making a difference for the betterment of Thai local or national communities.

### **Award Categories**

#### **1. Alumni of the Year Award**

“A distinguished individual who has demonstrated professional integrity and excellence in their career or calling”

#### **2. Alumni Leadership Award**

“An outstanding individual who is recognized for his/her exemplary leadership that has a significant and positive impact on the community or society at large”

#### **3. Alumni Innovation Award**

“An inspiring individual whose innovative achievements, applications and nontraditional approaches have brought about positive impact and solutions to community challenges”

#### **4. Alumni Community Engagement Award**

“A devoted individual who has demonstrated long-term community engagement, commitment that is measurable, relevant, sustainable, reflective and reciprocal”

#### **5. Alumni Social Empowerment Award**

“An exceptional individual whose commitment and contributions have helped pave ways to the positive changes in social relationships and the development of a sense of autonomy and self-confidence among the less fortunate members in our society”

#### **6. Regional Champion Leadership Award**

“An outstanding individual who is recognized for his/her exemplary leadership that has a significant and positive impact on the local or regional communities”

#### **7. Regional Champion Innovation Award**

“An inspiring individual whose innovative achievements, applications and nontraditional approaches have brought about positive impact and solutions to community challenges in the regional areas”

#### **8. Regional Champion Community Engagement Award**

“A devoted individual who has demonstrated long-term community engagement, commitment that is measurable, relevant, sustainable, reflective and reciprocal in regional areas”

#### **9. Regional Champion Social Empowerment Award**

“An exceptional individual whose commitment and contributions have helped pave ways to the positive changes in social relationships and the development of a sense of autonomy and self-confidence among the less fortunate members in regional areas”

#### **10. AAA Lifetime Achievement Award**

“An accomplished individual recognized and respected for his/her steadfast dedication and significant contributions to the Australian Alumni Association, Thai-Australian friendship and relations”

### **Nomination Criteria**

1. Nominations are open to Australian alumni members who have graduated from any Australian university or Australian institute of higher learning at degree level or above.
2. Nominees must be residents in Thailand.
3. Anyone may submit the nomination. All nominations must be signed by the nominator to be valid. Self-nominations are encouraged. If you are nominating another individual, you must seek their permission beforehand.
4. Individuals can be nominated in more than one category; however, each nominee is eligible to receive only one award in the year of nomination.

### **Selection Criteria**

1. Personal achievements
2. Professional accomplishments
3. Recognition from relevant communities or organizations
4. Impact on social development or community betterment
5. Contribution to the friendships, relations and partnerships between Thailand and Australia

## **Selection Process**

### **1. Compulsory Documentation**

Nominees and/or nominators are required to submit the following documentation:

- a. Completed Nomination Form
- b. Recent, high-resolution photo of nominee
- c. Recent CV of nominee

### **2. Optional Documentation**

A maximum of two support documents (i.e. newspaper articles, statements of awards) may be submitted for consideration.

### **3. Judging Process**

- Nominations will be reviewed by an impartial judging panel.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to present before the judging panel. Each candidate will have 10 minutes to give the presentation, followed by 15-20 minutes of interview with the judging panel. The presentation and interview sessions may be conducted online or onsite.
- Based on the award category description and selection criteria, the judging panel will assess each selected candidate for the appropriate award category.

### **4. Award Recipients**

- Recipients of each award category will be announced and honored at the Australian Alumni Awards presentation ceremony. Each recipient will have the opportunity to make a short speech (3-5 minutes) at the presentation ceremony.
- Award recipients will be called upon as Australian Alumni Ambassadors throughout the 2022-2023 calendar year.

## **Confidentiality**

Information provided in the nomination form and during the presentation will be used solely for the purpose of judging and will be treated as strict commercial-in-confidence by the organizers of the Australian Alumni Awards. None of the information collected will be published without the consent of the applicant. All copies to be used for media purposes will be cleared with the applicant before publication.

## Tentative Schedule

29 April 2022	Nominations Open
31 May 2022	Nominations Close <i>Nominations received after the closing time and date will not be eligible for consideration.</i>
6 June 2022	Judging panel selects finalists for the presentation and interview sessions.
9-10 June 2022	Finalists make the appointments for the presentation and interview with the judging panel. These sessions may be conducted online or onsite with more than half of the members of the judging panel present.
15-16 June 2022	The presentation and interview sessions begin.
16 June 2022	The selection process ends.
20 June 2022	The award recipients will be notified.
22 July 2022	Australian Alumni Awards presentation ceremony

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