



# YOGAN SATHIANATHAN MULTICULTURAL AWARDS



## ABOUT THE AWARDS

The Yogan Sathianathan Multicultural Awards are administered and funded by the Multicultural Council of the NT and judged by a panel of community representatives.

The awards presented are in recognition of Yogan Sathianathan who served the MCNT and the community for many years until his passing in 2016.



## WHY NOMINATE

Individuals & Organisations will be recognised for making significant contributions to embracing cultural diversity and promoting the NT as a united, harmonious and inclusive community. Nominations will also inspire more people and organisations to create an inclusive and welcoming NT community that encourages and celebrates diversity, which helps strengthen social and civic participation in the community.

## Nomination Categories

### Individual

#### under 25 years of age

Recognising the valuable contribution of a young person in creating an inclusive and welcoming community, and celebrating diversity. The nominee must be younger than 25 years of age at the time of the nomination.

### Individual

#### 25 years of age and over

Recognising the valuable contribution of a community member in creating an inclusive and welcoming community and celebrating diversity. The nominee must be at least 25 years of age at the time of the nomination.

### Multicultural

#### Community Project

Recognising valuable and innovative contributions made by a local community project or program conducted by one or more not-for-profit community organisations. The project or program must be conducted by a not-for-profit organisation who is a financial member of MCNT.

## CRITERIA FOR NOMINATIONS

The following is a general guide when writing your nomination for all categories:

- How is the nominee supporting and promoting the benefits of cultural diversity within the community?
- Provide details of the positive outcomes the nominee's contribution and/or project has made.
- What has the nominee done to support multiculturalism in the NT?
- Describe one project or program the nominee has undertaken to support your nomination.

Self-nominations are accepted. You can nominate a person or a group in each nomination category. A separate application form must be used for each category. Businesses operating in the NT, but registered in another state, can be nominated as long as the business operations are in the NT and the business supports a multicultural Northern Territory.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR NOMINATION

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Be a resident of the NT or an NT based entity.
- Be of good name and character and not engaged in conduct, which might discredit the awards.
- Nominator must have the consent of the nominee in entering the awards.
- Nominators and nominees under 18 must have parental/guardian consent.
- Information about the nominee is true and correct.
- Nominees agree that their name and photo can be used by MCNT in promotional activities.
- Family members cannot be referees.
- MCNT committee members, staff, judging panel and their immediate family are not eligible to be nominated.

## APPLICATION & JUDGING PROCESS

Nominations for the awards will close by 5pm on 30 September each year, late applications will not be accepted.

Applications can be submitted online at [www.mcnt.org.au](http://www.mcnt.org.au) or submitted to [admin@mcnt.org.au](mailto:admin@mcnt.org.au).

If you are not able to access the online form, contact MCNT as below to request a nomination form.

The judging panel will assess all the applicants for these awards and declare the winners at an appropriate time towards the year end. The judging panel reserves the right not to award a particular category.

The Multicultural Council of the Northern Territory (MCNT) is a community-based non-profit organisation that advocates and provides direct services for individuals, families and communities from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds in the Top End of the Northern Territory.

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