

### Queensland Multicultural Awards

Nomination form and guidelines



#### Message from the Minister

Queensland is a culturally diverse community, which people from more than 200 countries call home.

The 2007 Queensland Multicultural Awards are an opportunity for us to celebrate, recognise and thank the many people and organisations from diverse communities who contribute to and support our community.

Since 1990, these annual awards have recognised community volunteers and groups whose outstanding contributions have helped make Queensland such a fantastic place to live, work and raise a family.

In 2007, we will recognise the contribution that individuals, schools, community based organisations, businesses and government agencies all make to multiculturalism in Queensland.

A 2007 Multicultural Champion will also be awarded, following in the footsteps of Pat Rafter in 2005 and Nick Earls in 2006, and Multicultural Achievers will be recognised for their contributions to Queensland.

I congratulate Nick Earls on a sensational year and thank him for his energetic and passionate advocacy for rights of refugees and support for multiculturalism.

Nominations for the 2007 Awards program will close on 3 August 2007 and the Awards ceremony will be later in the year.

A continual effort by the Government and the community is essential if all Queenslanders are to reap the significant social and economic benefits of diversity.

I encourage all individuals and organisations that are contributing to multiculturalism in Queensland to enter the 2007 Queensland Multicultural Awards.

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**Lindy Nelson-Carr MP**Minister for Environment and Multiculturalism

Front cover: Central Queensland University 2006 Winner, Business category — Large



### What are the Queensland Multicultural Awards?

The Queensland Multicultural Awards recognise people and groups whose outstanding efforts over a sustained period have helped promote multiculturalism, support new migrants and increase community awareness of the value of multiculturalism.

#### Categories

#### Awards are offered in the following categories:

- Individual Community Services
  - Refugee Services
  - Outstanding Young Achiever
- Community based organisation
- School
- Primary
- Secondary
- Business
- Small (less than 20 employees)
- Large (more than 20 employees)
- Government





#### Criteria

When assessing nominations, judges will consider the following category-specific criteria.

Nominations must address all of the relevant criteria.

#### Individual category

This category recognises volunteers who have, consistently and over a substantial period of time:

- promoted multiculturalism and improved community relations
- provided assistance in the settlement of migrants, and/or
- contributed to supporting harmony and reducing prejudice.

From nominations for this category, the judging panel will select award winners in the following three sub-categories: Community Services; Refugee Services; and Outstanding Young Achiever (25 years or under).

(The Minister for Multiculturalism will also recognise a Multicultural Champion and Multicultural Achievers at the award ceremony in September. Nominations are not necessary for these awards.)



#### Criteria

#### Community based organisation category

This category recognises not-for-profit, community-based organisations that have consistently and over a substantial period of time:

- promoted multiculturalism and improved community relations
- provided assistance in the settlement of migrants, and/or
- contributed to supporting harmony and reducing prejudice.

#### School categories (Primary and Secondary)

This category recognises one primary and one secondary school that has consistently incorporated multiculturalism as a core value of their culture and practices in one or more of the following areas:

- planning and policy implementation
- curriculum
- community relations
- school environment and culture.

Nominations are open to all Queensland schools, including state, Catholic and independent schools.

#### Criteria

#### **Business category**

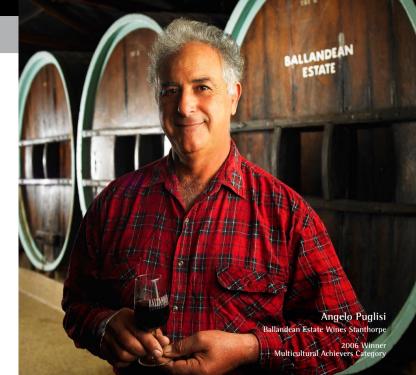
This category recognises businesses that have consistently and over a substantial period of time:

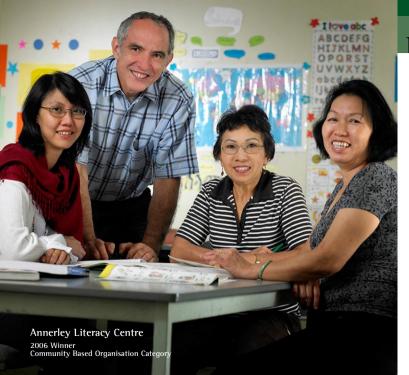
- undertaken or supported community projects that promote multiculturalism, reduce prejudice or enhance cultural diversity
- pursued employment practices that value employee language, culture and ethnicity, and/or
- used its diverse workforce to create and/or support business opportunities.

#### Government category

This category recognises government departments or agencies, governmentowned corporations or local government authorities or agencies that have consistently and over a substantial period of time:

- implemented multicultural best practice policies, including culturallysensitive service delivery models or productive diversity initiatives
- undertaken projects that promote multiculturalism, reduce prejudice or enhance cultural diversity within government or society, and/or
- pursued employment practices that promote the development of a culturally diverse workforce.





#### How to prepare your nomination

Nominations should not be too long (up to a maximum of three pages) and should address the relevant criteria succinctly and clearly.

A successful nomination will contain the following:

#### 1. Introduction

The introduction should include the following information:

- a brief outline of who the nominee is, including their age and place of residence (for nominees in the individual category)
- a brief description of the key activities undertaken by the nominee to support multiculturalism
- an indication of how long the nominee has been active in multicultural activities.

#### How to prepare your nomination

#### 2. Response to criteria

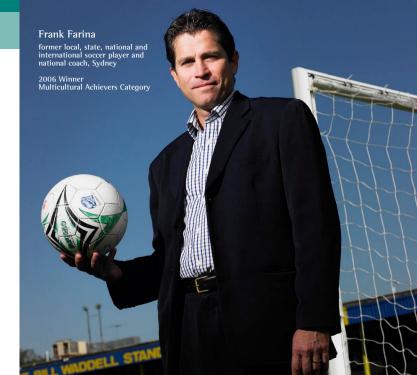
Nominations should address all of the relevant selection criteria, and should indicate which criteria they are addressing.

For each selection criteria, you should indicate the activities undertaken by the nominee that have supported multiculturalism and how this has been done.

#### 3. Supporting material

Where appropriate, you may also attach copies of any relevant material that supports your nomination. This can include audio or video material, newspaper clippings, articles, photographs or other material.

Please note, supporting material will not be returned to you. If you provide supporting material, you will be required to authorise the Queensland Government to make use of any images contained in this material for promotional and other activities.





#### Frequently asked questions

- O When do nominations close?
- A Nominations close at 5pm on 3 August 2007.
- Q When will the awards ceremony be held?
- A The Minister for Multiculturalism will present the awards at a ceremony in September 2007.
- Q Can I nominate myself?
- A Yes. You can either nominate yourself or an organisation, individual, school, government agency or business known to you.
- Q Can government agencies submit nominations?
- A Yes. All government agencies across each tier of government are welcome to submit nominations.
- Q Can I nominate a person or group in more than one category?
- **A** Yes. You can nominate a person or group in each category for which they are eligible.
- Q How long should my nomination be?
- A Written nominations should be between one (1) and three (3) pages

#### Frequently asked questions

#### Q Can I supply supporting material with my nomination?

A Yes. You may supply copies of any relevant material that supports or clarifies your nomination. This material will not count towards the maximum length of your nomination. Please note, any supporting material provided will not be returned to you.

#### Q Can previous winners be nominated again?

A Only in exceptional circumstances would a previous winner be considered for another award in the same category

#### Q Where can I get further information?

A Please contact:

Multicultural Affairs Queensland on:

telephone: (07) 3224 5690,

free call: 1800 053 739,

via email: info@multicultural.qld.gov.au or visit www.multicultural.qld.gov.au





#### Terms and conditions

Please ensure you have read and agree to all terms and conditions.

- Only residents of Queensland or Queensland based entities can be nominated for the 2007 Queensland Multicultural Awards. A valid Queensland postal address and residential address must be given.
- The nominee warrants that, to the best of his/her knowledge, all details provided in the nomination are true and correct.
- Employees of the Environmental Protection Agency and their immediate family and any other people involved with the administration and judging of the 2007 Queensland Multicultural Awards are ineligible to nominate, or be nominated for, the awards (except in the Government Category).
- According to the quality of nominations, the judging panel reserves the right not to award a particular category.
- 5. Each nominator agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions.

#### Privacy information

Multicultural Affairs Queensland is collecting the information contained in the nomination form for the Queensland Multicultural Awards. Your consent to the use of your personal information is required in accordance with the Queensland Government's Information Privacy Standard 42. The information privacy principles contained within this Standard govern the collection, use, storage, security, and disclosure of personal information.

Only authorised Departmental officers have access to the information you have supplied. Your personal information contained in this form, and the information relating to your nominee, will not be disclosed to any other third party without your consent, unless authorised or required by law.

If you have any queries about any privacy issues that relate to the awards, please contact the Department's privacy contact officer at **privacy@premiers.qld.gov.au** or telephone **07 3224 4808**.



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Nomination form  Please indicate the category for which this nomination is to be considered:	Individual	☐ Community based organisation	☐ School ☐ Primary ☐ Secondary	■ Business       Small (less than 20 employees)         □ Large (more than 20 employees)	☐ Government	Nominator's details	Name of nominator*:	Relationship to nominee:	Postal address*;		Telephone*:	Fax:	Email:	Nomination details	Name of nominee*:	If appropriate, name and position of contact person within nominated organisation*:	Postal address*:	Residential address*:	9	retepnone~; Fax:	Email:	Website:	*essential information to qualify as an applicant. Incomplete or incorrect information may render applicant/application ineligible.

# Nomination form

# Declaration by nominator

I hereby nominate this person/group in accordance with the guidelines for the 2007 Queensland Multicultural Awards. I hereby acknowledge that I have read, and agree to, the terms and conditions contained in this guidelines document.

I have attached a written nomination to this nomination form.

and consent to the Queensland Government making use of any images I have attached relevant supporting material to this nomination form, contained in this material for promotional and other activities.

I have informed the nominee of this nomination.

I note the possible pre and post event media coverage.

#### Name:

### Signature:

Date:

Please send this completed nomination form, your response to the relevant category criteria and any supporting material to:

Queensland Multicultural Awards The Event Coordinator

**Multicultural Affairs Queensland** 

PO Box 15155

City East Brisbane Qld 4002

# delivery details

Naturally Queensland Shop Brisbane Qld 4000 160 Ann Street

Nominations must be received by 5pm 3 August 2007.

Late entries will only be accepted if postmarked prior to this time.



Nick Earls Multicultural Champion 2006 Queensland Multicultural Awards

"Whether our history here is ancient or involves more recent migration, we all belong."

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