



Terms and Conditions

The owner and promoter of the 2021 Voyager Media Awards is the New Zealand News Publishers' Association (NPA), Textile Lofts, Level 4, Textile Centre, 1 Kenwyn Street, Parnell, Auckland 1052.

1.0 Time frame

Entries may be submitted online at www.voyagermedia.awardsplatform.com any time from **9am Friday, January 15, 2021** until **1pm Friday, February 26, 2021** (NZDT). The system will automatically prevent entry submission after the deadline. All entrants **MUST** enter online.

2.0 Eligibility

2.1 To be eligible for entry, all entries must bear cover dates from the 2020 calendar year. For example, a magazine that appears on newsstands or reaches subscribers in late December 2020 but has a cover date of January 2021 is not eligible (it will be eligible for the 2022 media awards). The same rule applies to journalists' work appearing in print. A publication that appeared in December 2019 but had a January 2020 cover date is eligible.

2.2 Digital entries must be published within the 2020 calendar year. If an entrant enters a 2020 digital story which is updated in 2021, the entrant must explain the changes in the statement of support box.

2.3 News Website of the Year and News App of the Year will be partially judged live during March 2021.

2.4 Your entry must have been published or broadcast during 2020 in a recognised form of New Zealand newspaper, magazine, website, or television or radio station. Broadcast journalists may not enter a written-only award, unless the entry has appeared in written form on a website.

Qualifying media include:

- Daily and weekly newspapers
- Regional, metropolitan or community newspapers
- News and current affairs websites
- Magazines sold at newsstand or by subscription, or a combination of both*
- Free magazines with a minimum editorial content of 25%*
- Newspaper-inserted magazines
- Specialist and trade publications and/or websites*
- Local television and radio stations

* Eligible publications must appear at least twice a year and must target a mass audience.

Publications comprised largely of native advertising or advertorial without editorial content, will not be eligible.

Eligibility for all awards will be at the sole discretion of the NPA.

2.5 Entrants must be either New Zealand citizens, permanent residents aged 16 and over or students on a working visa and living in New Zealand at the time the work was published. This includes New Zealanders working overseas.

2.6 One entry per person, team, publication/title, or website per award, unless otherwise specified.

2.7 While you can enter as many different awards as you want, you are not able to enter the



same piece of work into multiple awards, otherwise you risk being disqualified. However, entries from specialist awards can also be entered into the following:

- Junior Feature Writer of the Year
- Best individual investigation
- Junior Reporter of the Year
- Best reporting – Māori affairs
- Broadcasting awards where appropriate
- Broadcast Reporter of the Year
- Business Journalist of the Year
- Community Journalist of the Year
- Feature Writer of the Year (long & short-form)
- Photographer of the Year
- Political Journalist of the Year
- Regional Journalist of the Year
- Reporter of the Year
- Reviewer of the Year
- Sports Journalist of the Year
- Student Journalist of the Year
- Video awards where appropriate

The same story can also be submitted to Best individual investigation.

A story entered into the **Best innovation in digital storytelling** (team entry) award can be entered by the journalist into:

- **one other specialist award** as well as **Best individual investigation**, and as part of a portfolio for:
 - Junior Reporter of the Year
 - Best reporting – Māori affairs
 - Broadcasting awards where appropriate
 - Broadcast Reporter of the Year
 - Feature Writer of the Year (long and short-form)
 - Junior Feature Writer of the Year
 - Business Journalist of the Year
 - Community Journalist of the Year
 - Political Journalist of the Year
 - Regional Journalist of the Year
 - Reporter of the Year
 - Sports Journalist of the Year
 - Student Journalist of the Year
 - Video awards where appropriate

2.8 Entries must meet all the entry criteria set for the relevant award. There are unique criteria for each award.



2.9 Entries and information contained within any entry must have been obtained legally and must not infringe any copyright or other intellectual property rights, must not be defamatory or breach any privacy law, and must not breach any other law or regulation. Eligibility for all awards will be at the sole discretion of the NPA.

3.0 Junior awards

3.1 The junior awards are open to individuals who have been employed in the publishing industry for three years or less at the time of publication. However, you are not restricted from entering other awards.

3.2 Student journalists, including interns, can enter any award, including **Student Journalist of the Year, Junior Feature Writer of the Year and Junior Reporter of the Year.**

4.0 Entry process

4.1 All entries must be submitted through the online entry process. To enter an award the entrant must first register online and then validate the registration. A separate online entry form is required to be submitted for each award entered. All entries submitted must fulfil the entry requirements of the chosen award. Inclusion of background information when requested is very important. The length of some entries is determined by the individual award criteria. Entries must not exceed the maximum length or duration. An entry will not be considered submitted until payment for the entry is received.

4.2 Entrants may provide a statement of support giving background to their entry. Each award has a specific word maximum. Please refer to the entry criteria.

4.3 Material must be supplied as follows:

- Stories should be pdf format or, if digital, a URL link to the story
- Photos should be in jpg, jpeg, tif or tiff format and have captions within the file name.
- Videos or interactive/motion graphics can be uploaded in m4v, mp4, mpeg4 or MOV format or, in the case of large files, attached as a URL link such as YouTube or Vimeo.
- Artwork/graphics should be ai or eps format
- Cartoons should be in jpg or pdf format
- Podcasts should be uploaded as a single, clearly-named MP3 (or WAV). You should also supply URL links for each episode, both to Apple Podcasts and to an Android podcast app such as Stitcher or Spotify.

Please give attachments an appropriate name that depicts what the entry is about.

4.4 For awards where hard copies are required to be posted in, these hard copies will not be available for return to entrants.

4.5 All those who have made a significant contribution to the entry should be listed in the entry with one person nominated as the contact.

4.6 Entries in languages other than English must be accompanied by a translation into English.

4.7 Stories and websites behind paywalls: Entrants will need to make arrangements so that judges can access stories and websites behind paywalls. Please email the Voyager Media Awards team at voyagermediaawards@npa.co.nz with instructions or passwords to give access to judges.

5.0 Payment and refunds

5.1 Credit card payments for entries will be made to the News Publishers' Association.



5.2 The Voyager Media Awards are only open to New Zealanders (see 2.5) and entry fees will only be received in New Zealand dollars.

5.3 Payment will only be accepted once the entry has been completed and all entry requirements are met.

5.4 Payment of entry fees will not be refunded under any circumstances and cancellation of an entry is only possible prior to payment of the entry fees being made.

6.0 Privacy policy

The NPA is committed to protecting the privacy of its users and the purpose of this privacy policy is to describe to you how we will use personal information about you that is submitted as part of your entry into the Voyager Media Awards.

By providing your personal information to the NPA, you consent to the collection and use of it and any other information provided to us in accordance with this Privacy Policy.

If at any time you wish to change the use of your personal information to which you have consented, please contact voyagermediaawards@npa.co.nz.

7.0 Personal information

7.1 The NPA may collect personal information about you in the following ways:

- Any data which you provide when you register on its website(s)
- Any data which you provide when you sign up to receive email communications
- Any data which you provide as part of your entry to the Voyager Media Awards
- Any additional transaction with us – either written, by phone or email

7.2 Storage and retention of your information

The NPA will keep your information to enable it to be used for the purposes described in this Privacy Policy. This data will be stored on a secure server. The technology used and the security policies which we have implemented are intended to safeguard your information from unauthorised access and improper use.

7.3 Use of your information

The NPA may use your personal information for the following purposes:

- to respond to any inquiry you make
- to send you email communications regarding the Voyager Media Awards
- the NPA and/or its authorised agent, and sponsors may display or use your entry to promote the Voyager Media Awards throughout New Zealand and overseas
- Cartoonist of the Year entries may be displayed on a complimentary basis at the Alexander Turnbull Library, Wellington.

8.0 Naming rights sponsor

8.1 Subject to (8.3), by entering these awards, entrants agree that in the event that they are named a finalist or winner of any award, they must acknowledge the naming rights sponsor's



support of the awards in any report or publicity about their success. This might include the publication of the Voyager Media Awards logo on their masthead or website but only if there is a clear reference to the award in which they were a finalist or a winner.

8.2 Subject to (8.3), by entering these awards, entrants to any of the Voyager Media Awards agree that in the event they are named a finalist or winner of such awards, they (or their publisher) will publish the Voyager Media Awards logo, or include the words “Voyager Media Awards” each time there is a reference to that placement or win in their publication, website, or television or radio station. This might include publication within a banner on the newspaper front page, magazine cover or website home page.

8.3 Despite the above, entrants may be required to remove or cease using the Voyager Media Awards logo, or to cease referring to the naming rights sponsor where the NPA considers, at its sole discretion, that the association of its brand or logo with any particular category, award or entrant is not in the organisation’s best interests, commercial or otherwise. However, entrants may state they were a winner or finalist in the Voyager Media Awards in a particular award to the extent this is true. By entering the competition, entrants agree to comply with any direction of the NPA or the naming rights sponsor in relation to the use of the Voyager Media Awards logo or any other use of the naming rights sponsor brand.

9.0 Entry fees

Entrants, along with editorial managers and team leaders should note that NPA members have agreed to the introduction of award entry fees this year. Entries from NPA member organisations will be charged \$20+gst per entry, while entries from non-NPA organisations will be charged \$45+gst per entry.

Discounted entry fee: \$20 +gst

This fee applies to entrants from NPA members.

Standard entry fee: \$45 +gst

This fee applies to all other entrants who are not eligible for the discounted entry fee.

Late fee: \$50 +gst

All approved late entries received after 1pm on Friday, February 26, 2021 will be charged an additional late fee on top of the applicable entry fee.

NPA members include the organisations shown on the lists below and their 70+ community newspaper titles too. If you are not working for one of these organisations then you must select the non-member entry price.



STUFF

- Dominion Post (Wellington)
- The Press (Christchurch)
- Sunday Star-Times (national)
- Sunday News (national)
- Waikato Times (Hamilton)
- Southland Times (Invercargill)
- Daily News (New Plymouth)
- Manawatū Standard (Palmerston North)
- Nelson Mail (Nelson)
- Timaru Herald (Timaru)
- Marlborough Express (Blenheim)



NZME

- The New Zealand Herald (Auckland)
- Herald on Sunday (Auckland)
- Hawke's Bay Today (Hastings)
- Bay of Plenty Times (Tauranga)
- Northern Advocate (Whangarei)
- Rotorua Daily Post (Rotorua)
- Whanganui Chronicle (Whanganui)



INDEPENDENTS

- Otago Daily Times (Dunedin)
- Gisborne Herald (Gisborne)
- Ashburton Guardian (Ashburton)
- Wairarapa Times-Age (Masterton)
- Greymouth Star (Greymouth)
- Westport News (Westport)
- Whakātane Beacon (Whakātane)
- Wairoa Star (Wairoa)



10.0 Agreement of terms and conditions

Entrants must agree to the terms and conditions when submitting an entry on the Awards Force website.

If an entrant is found to have breached these terms and conditions, the NPA reserves the right to remove or withdraw an award or to disqualify an entrant. If the entrant is found to have cheated in any way, the NPA reserves the right to disqualify that entrant.