The Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award 2016

Guidelines and application form
The awards
The Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award 2016 is supported by the Tasmanian Government, Inspiring Australia, the University of Tasmania and Engineers Australia and recognises the achievements of the state’s leading science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) researchers. It also provides an opportunity to highlight the importance of STEM for the growth of Tasmania’s economy and quality of life for the community.

Specifically, the Award will recognise an individual’s academic achievement over the past 12 months. The Award consists of a $10,000 cheque and trophy which will be presented at the Tasmanian STEM Excellence Awards reception on 16 November 2016. This event will showcase the winner’s success to other academics, government, industry representatives, and the media.

How to apply
To enter the Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award complete this application form and submit it to Sarah Bayne, Manager of Inspiring Australia by 5pm, Friday 14 October 2016.

Eligibility
Applications are invited from individuals employed and/or undertaking STEM research activities in Tasmania. Individuals from research agencies funded by the Tasmanian Government are eligible whereas those from state Government departments are not.

Judging
The judging panel will be selected on the basis of their knowledge and expertise in the STEM research development fields.

Selection criteria
The Award will be presented to a STEM researcher who has shown excellence in a STEM research area in the past 12 months. This allows researchers in all stages of their career to be treated equally, as achievements outside this period will not be taken into account. In making its selection, the judging panel will consider the attributes of the proponent, the merit of achievements, and the potential for their research to positively impact on both the Tasmanian community and economic development.

Other conditions
As a successful recipient of the Award, you may be asked by the Tasmanian Government, Inspiring Australia, University of Tasmania or Engineers Australia (Tasmania Division) to take part in a limited number of STEM engagement events, such as Science Meets Parliament, Innovation Forums, student outreach etc. if available.
Submitting an application
Complete the enclosed application form and submit via:

a) Postal address
Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award 2016
Att: Sarah Bayne, Manager – Inspiring Australia
University of Tasmania
Private Bay 50,
HOBART TAS 7001

b) E-mail
Info@WhySci.org.au
(ensure all signatures are scanned in e-mailed documents)

Enquiries:
Sarah Bayne – Manager, Inspiring Australia
Phone: (03) 6226 2716 or email: sarah.bayne@utas.edu.au
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Application form
All applicants are directed to read the accompanying guidelines and terms and conditions before completing this application.

Applications close on 5:00 pm Friday, 14 October 2016.

Section A – Applicant details

1. Applicant name and address
   Please complete those fields that are applicable to you or your organisation

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Section B – Science research achievements

Please attach a brief CV (maximum four pages) and a portrait photograph of yourself.

Briefly outline your research/academic achievements in the last 12 months. This could include information on the following:

- Specific research achievements
- Research impact/application
- Collaboration achievements
- Publications record
- Grants obtained
- Patents held
- Awards or prizes received
- Conference presentations

Maximum of 200 words.
How do these achievements impact on your standing in your respective STEM research field of expertise?

Maximum 200 words.
Briefly describe the social and economic implications your research has on the Tasmanian community.

Maximum 200 words.
Will your achievement have any wider social implication nationally and/or internationally?

Maximum of 200 words.
Briefly describe your reasons for undertaking your field of research in Tasmania.

Maximum of 100 words.

Note: If you wish to include some extra supporting material (eg. pamphlets or advertising material) please limit it to two appendices (i.e. two pages only).
Section C – Declaration

All applicants to complete.

I hereby submit the enclosed application for entry into the Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award 2016 and warrant that,

a) I have the full power and lawful authority to submit an application form on behalf of the applicant;

b) The information contained in this application is accurate and factual; and

c) I agree to abide by the Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award guidelines and terms and conditions of entry.

Signature

Date
Terms and conditions of entry

1. All applications must be received in full by the Manager of Inspiring Australia by the closing date in these guidelines. Late applications will not be accepted.

2. Applicants will be competitively assessed on the basis of their application. The coordinators of the Awards or members of the judging panel may contact the applicants to seek further information and/or clarification.

3. Applicants must agree to abide by the decision of the judging panel.

4. Applications and supporting material will not be returned to applicants.

5. All material submitted will be used solely for the purpose of applying for this Award and will not be circulated. No material relating to an Applicant’s entry will be publicised without their prior approval.

6. The coordinating committee reserves the right to revoke an Award, re-award an Award or withdraw any application from consideration for the Award if the applicant is in breach of any of these rules.

7. Finalists should use their best endeavours to attend or be represented at the Award ceremony. Attendance by applicants at the presentation ceremony is encouraged.

8. Applicants enter the awards at their own risk and the organiser will not be liable for any loss, damage or expense incurred by the applicant as a result of entering an application in the Awards.

9. Applicants agree to do all things reasonable to participate and/or cooperate with any promotional or media activities conducted by the organisers and sponsors in relation to the Premier’s Tasmanian STEM Researcher of the Year Award 2016.

10. No contractual or other legal relationship shall arise between the members of the judging panels, the organisers, sponsors and any organisation applying for the Awards.