

Thank you for taking the time to put forward a nomination for the ELVA Awards.

The selection panel require detailed answers in order to assess the nominee, it is therefore anticipated the form may take up to 45 minutes to complete.

AWARD CRITERIA

Nominations made must meet at least one or more of the following categories:

A. PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTION

The nominee (business owner, employee or volunteer) demonstrates professional excellence in the development or delivery of a product or service that makes an outstanding contribution to the success of the business and provides positive outcomes for industry.

B. INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTION

The nominee makes an outstanding contribution to advancing the wider industry through advocacy, thought leadership, improving the image of industry and/or educating consumer audiences.

C. COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION

The nominee makes an outstanding contribution to improving communities that support the food and fibre industry, particularly rural and regional communities, including initiatives that promote social cohesiveness, collaboration and sustainability.

GENERAL CRITERIA

For each category nominations must detail how the nominee demonstrates the following:

- Qualities commonly associated with leadership including, but not limited to, innovation, creativity, positive influence on others, strong communication skills and ethical conduct
- An outstanding contribution beyond the scope of their position or role, by taking on challenges and going 'above and beyond' the demands of their day-to-day responsibilities
- Development or delivery of a product or service that has a point of difference, unique value proposition to industry, demonstrates innovation and/or a creative approach to addressing a problem. *This may be in any business area, including technology, sustainability, human resource management, natural resource management, productivity and/or competitiveness.*

AWARD ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a nomination an individual must:

- Be aged up to 40 years at the time of nomination
- Have a role as an employee, business owner, volunteer or contributor to the food and fibre industry (agriculture, agribusiness or food and beverage production including, but not limited to wine, beer, fine foods, red meat, fibre, horticulture, poultry, pork, dairy and grains)
- Be a Victorian resident or contributor to Victorian industry or community
- Not be a previous recipient of an RASV Emerging Leader Award

FAQS

WHO MAY NOMINATE?

Any person is invited to make a nomination, but may not nominate themselves.

DO I ENGAGE WITH THE NOMINEE IN THE PROCESS OF NOMINATING THEM?

Please do not engage with the nominee in relation to their nomination, or provide information about the nominee that may be private or confidential.

HOW DO I MAKE A NOMINATION?

1. Complete Sections 1-5 of the Nomination Form
2. Engage someone to support your nomination and to complete Section 6 of the Nomination Form
3. Email completed Sections 1-6 of the Nomination Form, along with any supporting materials, to elva@rasv.com.au

WHO SHOULD I ASK TO SUPPORT MY NOMINATION?

You will need to engage someone to support your nomination and to provide responses to the questions in Section 6 of the Nomination Form.

Ideally you should engage someone who can provide insights about the nominee from a different perspective and someone that knows the nominee well enough to provide detailed responses to the questions. For example, if you are the nominee's employer you may wish to contact a community leader or member organisation that the nominee belongs to and encourage them to support your nomination.

CAN I POST MY NOMINATION?

Yes. If you are unable to email your application you can post it to the Award Coordinator (see address below).

WHEN IS THE NOMINATION DUE?

Nominations will be accepted up until COB Wednesday 30th May 2018.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I MAKE A NOMINATION?

Nominations will be shortlisted and successful recipients selected by a food and fibre industry panel. All nominators and the successful nominees will be advised of the outcome by the end of June 2018.

The 2018 Emerging Leader Awards will be presented in June 2018, venue to be announced.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT TO THE AWARD RECIPIENT?

Award recipients will receive up to \$10,000 towards a career development activity of their choice, provided it relates to the development of their leadership potential and career ambitions.

In addition recipients will be provided with invitations to attend a range of RASV events and programs that provide opportunities for industry networking and career development.

CONTACTS

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CHECKLIST FOR MAKING A NOMINATION

- Do I know an emerging leader in the food and fibre industry who deserves recognition and support in their career development?
- Does the nominee meet the Award Criteria?
- Does the nominee meet the Award Eligibility?
- Do I know someone who would be willing to support my nomination?