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Will Hodgman, Premier

Australian of the Year Awards Nominations

There are many Tasmanians doing remarkable things in our community every day, and the Australian of the Year Awards are a fitting way to recognise their achievements.

Nominations are now open for the 2016 Australian of the Year Awards, giving everyday Tasmanians a chance to say thank you to those in our community who are making an extraordinary contribution to our state and country.

You can nominate a friend, a family member, community leader, colleague or even someone famous – anyone you believe makes Tasmania and Australia a better place to live.

The award categories include:

- Australian of the Year;
- Senior Australian of the Year (60 years and over);
- Young Australian of the Year (16 to 30 years); or
- Australia's Local Hero.

Being nominated is a great honour and not only gives nominees due recognition, in many cases it also creates a platform for a cause.

Tasmanians need only consider the resounding impact Rosie Batty, the 2015 Australian of the Year, has had in making family violence front and centre of the national agenda to see the importance of these awards.

Nominating is simple, just go to www.australianoftheyear.org.au. If you need any help phone 1300 655 193, or email australiaday@dpac.tas.gov.au. Nominations are open August 3.

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