



ENTRIES OPEN FOR 5th ANNUAL NRMA KENNEDY AWARDS

Thursday, May 19 2016

Entries are now officially open for the 2016 NRMA Kennedy Awards – including the \$25,000 prize for the *Coca Cola Australian Journalist of the Year*.

Now in our fifth year, the Kennedy Awards recognise the work of Australia's finest news media.

Entries for work in the current financial year must be submitted to kennedyawardsjudging@gmail.com by close of business July 1.

The finalists in all 33 competitive categories, will be announced on Wednesday, July 27.

The presentation of the Spirax trophies will take place at our annual gala ceremony and winter ball in the Grand Ballroom of Royal Randwick on Friday, August 12.

This year's awards will also feature the *Power of the Lens* exhibition, showcasing the talents of all the entrants in the photographic and TV news camera categories, sponsored by the City of Parramatta.

Registration for a \$30 donation to the Kennedy Foundation and gala ticket purchases can be completed via our home page at www.kennedyawards.com.au

Entries close at 6pm, July 1, 2016 for any material broadcast or published between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016.

Three finalists in each category will be selected and the judging committee will be identifying exceptional examples of ground breaking, gutsy and creative journalism - demonstrating a profound and enduring impact.

<http://kennedyawards.com.au/judges/>

Judges will also take into account resources, research, preproduction, preparation, logistical challenges, public interest and community benefit.

The tax-deductible entry fee helps cover Kennedy Foundation administration. There is no limit to the number of entries, as long as each one is registered separately.

Entry is \$30 for every **unrelated** item of work

Entry for a series of **related** stories (maximum five) is also \$30

Email your entries to kennedyawardsjudging@gmail.com and include your links, video & audio files, PDFs, Jpegs, a recent headshot and up to 400 words in support of the entry.

In the categories of *Outstanding Radio Current Affairs* and *Outstanding Radio Commentary* an edited compilation of relevant material broadcast can be entered, and should not exceed two minutes in duration.

For video entries we suggest you upload your video to youtube.com or vimeo.com, if there is not an existing web link to the piece. Hightail and drop box files are also acceptable.

For *Journalist of the Year*, *Best Columnist*, *Political Reporting* and *Young Journalist of the Year* a maximum of five pieces can be entered under a single \$30 entry.

Competing against your own work is allowed and an entry fee is applicable for each item submitted.

The NRMA Kennedy Awards are staged by the *Kennedy Foundation* – a registered charity that provides financial and other support to news media professionals in hardship, with compassion in confidence.

The trustees of the Kennedy Foundation deeply appreciate the support of our generous sponsors - NRMA Motoring and Services, Pelikan Artline, Coca Cola Amatil, Coca Cola South Pacific, Carnival Australia, P&O Cruises, Nine News, A Current Affair, TEN News, Seven News, Fairfax Media, Suez, Clubs NSW, Hillbrick Bicycles, ANZ Stadium, NSW Health, Destination NSW, the City of Parramatta, Racing NSW, NRMA Insurance, The Australian Turf Club, and Paradigm Resources.

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