



QUEENSLAND
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COUNCIL

The Voice of Tourism

**Destination Indigenous
Queensland Young
Achiever Award**

2024



Acknowledgement of Country

Queensland Tourism Industry Council acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of Country throughout Queensland. We recognise those who welcomed guests on Country, were the stewards of the earth and who shared stories for millennia before us, and their continued connection to land, waterways and culture.

About the Queensland Tourism Industry Council

The Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC) is Queensland's peak tourism industry body and the leading advocate Queensland's tourism and hospitality sector. QTIC represents the interests of the state's more than 60,000 tourism businesses and more than 800 members across Queensland working in all sectors of the tourism and hospitality industry.

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The award

The Destination Indigenous Queensland Young Achiever Award was launched at the 2022 Destination IQ event on Kombumerri Country on the Gold Coast.

The award, supported by Australian Adventure Tourism Group and Shiift, aims to recognise outstanding young Indigenous leaders for their commitment and contribution to tourism.

Winners are announced annually at QTIC's Destination IQ event and receive a perpetual trophy along with a year long Life Coach and Mentor to achieve both personal and professional growth. The recipient will also meet senior Indigenous leaders during their year of being Destination Indigenous Queensland's Young Achiever.

Key dates



Submissions open

1 May 2024



Submissions Close

2 September 2024



Winner announced

13 November 2024

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Preparing for your submission

Eligibility

To qualify for the Destination Indigenous Queensland Young Achiever Award, entrants must meet the following eligibility criteria.

- Be a First Nations Australian
- Be 35 years of age or younger as of September 30th 2024
- Be living/operating/working in Queensland during all or part of the 2023/24 calendar.

Requirements

Each submission is required to

- Comprehensively address the question set outlined on the next page.
- Be within the 2000 word limit. Maximise this as much as you can.
- Be submitted through the Judgify portal.

Tips

To give your submission the best chance of success, consider:

- Providing supporting material such as images, testimonials and/or articles to support responses.
- The following points across all questions to support your actions in the cultural space such as contributing personally to the protection, preservation and promotion of Indigenous culture:
 - In the community space such as contributing to the wellbeing of your local community
 - In the Indigenous business space such as working for an Indigenous tourism business and/or
 - In the mainstream space such as working in a general accommodation business.

Question set

Each application must address the following questions within the outlined word limit.

1. Please provide an overview of the nominee (300 word limit)

Worth 15 points



TIP: Use extracts of your current CV. Provide a timeline of your industry involvement which will share with the judges where you are from, what you are currently doing professionally and personally, and what contributes to your ability to be judged as this year's Indigenous Young Achiever.

2. Please provide specific examples of activities that the nominee has been involved in and what the outcomes of these activities were (1000 word limit)

Worth 25 points



TIP: These activities should be in the areas of business, research, culture, community, innovation or volunteer work that results in improvements in current practices. The emphasis should be on both professional and personal commitments. You may like to add testimonials in this section to align with your actions and outcomes when working with other parties.

3. Please summarise your vision for Indigenous Queensland. Include your personal targets and how you see your development helping to promote positive change as a Young Leader (700 word limit)

Worth 15 points



TIP: Show examples of your vision and personal targets that will benefit others.



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