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Sensational Selwyn Awards Nominations open

Nominations are now open for the Sensational Selwyn Awards 2016.

The awards are organised by Selwyn District Council and held every two years. They recognise and honour outstanding Selwyn individuals, community groups and businesses, for their inspirational work and achievements.

Nominations can be made in nine categories:

- Agri-business
- Arts and Culture
- Community Services
- Environmental
- Large Business
- Small Business
- Sport
- Tourism
- Young Achiever

In 2014, 61 nominations were received for the Sensational Selwyn Awards. The award winners that year were: South Island Agricultural Field Days, Adrienne Begg, Quickenberry Guesthouse, Eliza Grigg, Josh Bashford, Southern Woods Tree Nursery, Fonterra Darfield, Rosa Flanagan and Phil Garrett and family. At the 2014 awards over 300 people attended the awards dinner. The 2016 Awards will be presented at a Gala dinner at the Lincoln Event Centre on Saturday 30 July.

"This is an opportunity for people to think about who they would like to see recognised through the awards," says Selwyn Mayor Kelvin Coe.

"We have fantastic talents in Selwyn and these awards are presented to individuals, organisations and businesses in Selwyn to honour and celebrate outstanding work, or inspirational achievements. With nine categories there is an opportunity for everyone to be involved in celebrating success in Selwyn," he says.

The awards are open to individuals and organisations who live, or are based, in Selwyn district and meet the criteria for entry listed on nominations forms. 2014 award winners are not eligible to enter the same category in 2016. Award nominees must give permission to be entered on the entry form.

Nomination forms are available from Council libraries and service centres, the Lincoln Event Centre and online at www.selwyn.govt.nz/awards.

Nominations close on Friday 17 June. The Awards will be announced at a gala dinner at the Lincoln Event Centre on Saturday 30 July. Ticket sales for the awards dinner open on 30 May and close 22 July.

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Photo attached: the 2014 Faringdon Sensational Selwyn Awards gala dinner at Lincoln Event Centre

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