



## **The Women's Network Australia Impact Awards**

The Women's Network Australia (WNA) Impact Awards acknowledge the contribution of extraordinary women within our Network. We define 'extraordinary' by the positive impact of their actions and their alignment with our Mission.

### **Our mission**

- Provide strong network of contacts and a sharing culture
- Provide access to professional and personal development information in a unique and supportive business environment
- Inspire and encourage women to develop professional strategies and skills for success in business
- Provide a platform for like-minded individuals to share information, ideas and knowledge and bring about positive change for women and girls
- Provide a forum for the recognition of women's achievements and create role models for young women to aspire to
- Lift the level of awareness, acceptance and visibility of women and the talents and resources they contribute to the community and the economy.

### **About the winners – the judges' criteria**

Winners of the WNA Impact Awards will be Members of WNA who demonstrate positive outcomes through the actions in business and in the community.

They will inspire through their willingness to assist and support others, particularly women and girls.

They will demonstrate fearlessness and fairness in their business journey – whether as a start-up, established business owner or leader within an organisation.

They will exhibit strong leadership and determination in addressing personal and professional challenges, and show a willingness to support and elevate the status of women and girls.

Their success will be measured not by the size of their profit margin but by the positive impact of their actions.

### **Categories**

There are four separate WNA Impact Awards. There are no separate categories.

### **Nomination process**

Nominations will be via the Nomination Form and must be received by the due date.

The judges reserve the right to seek additional information from the nominee or via publicly available information in order to clarify any nomination.

All entries must include a high-resolution digital headshot and business logo, suitable for use in social media.

The Nomination Form may be accompanied by supporting material (not essential) such as client testimonials, letters of support etc

Nominees will be notified by WNA. Finalists and unsuccessful nominees shall be advised following the judging process.

### **Terms and conditions**

The judges' decision is final and no correspondence shall be entered into.

Judges, employees of WNA, or immediate family members cannot enter the awards.

Only financial members of WNA are eligible for entry. This may include Student and Affiliate Members.

Members of WNA may nominate themselves. Nominations will be accepted by non-members as long as the nominee is a financial member.

Nominees will be advised and will need to accept the nomination and give approval for media and promotion in order for their nomination to be considered.

Nominees will be asked to confirm that they are not and have never been declared bankrupt or insolvent, or otherwise the subject of any current actions related to financial misconduct.

All entry forms received by WNA will be held on a commercial-in-confidence basis. No entry information will be shared or distributed to third parties without the consent of the nominee.

WNA reserves the right to amend, postpone or cancel the awards, with no penalty.

### **Entry fees**

Free for all eligible entries. Entrants must be financial members of WNA (this may include Student and Affiliate Members).

### **Promotion of nominees**

WNA will provide each nominee with a social media tile and wording. WNA will promote all nominees following confirmation of their acceptance of their nomination, and written agreement to participate in the awards and associated promotion.

### **Promotion of finalists**

WNA will provide each finalist with a social media tile and wording. WNA will promote all finalists and the Award Sponsors following the selection of the award finalists.

### **Presentation of awards**

The inaugural 2023 WNA Impact Awards will be presented at the Women's Network Australia End of Year Celebration, to be held in Brisbane on 22 November. Finalists will receive one free ticket to attend the event. They may be accompanied by paying guests.

In the event that an award winner is not in attendance at the presentation, the award will be accepted on their behalf and forwarded by post or courier.

Award Sponsors will be given the opportunity to speak and present the award at the live event.

Finalists will receive a group photograph to be taken at the End of Year Celebration event.

**Promotion of winners**

WNA will provide each winner with a promotional package including presentation photograph/s, social media WINNER tile and words, media release template.

Sponsors will be provided with a similar promotional package.

WNA will promote all winners and sponsors through social media, the WNA website, WNA Blog post and direct email to members and subscribers.