

International Council of Museums [ICOM] Australia

2013 Award for International Relations

Australian museums enrich the cultural, social and intellectual lives of all Australians and in so doing contribute to the development of well-informed, tolerant and cohesive communities. This important role should not be constrained by our national borders.

Australian museums have both the opportunity and the responsibility to share their expertise, information and resources, especially with our near neighbours in the Asia-Pacific Region.

The ICOM Australia Award for International Relations recognises and celebrates the outstanding work undertaken by Australian institutions and individuals that has strengthened international relations and contributed to the cultural richness of our region.

ICOM Australia encourages you to nominate a worthy institution or individual.

The Award

In 2013, ICOM Australia will again recognise Australian institutions and professionals for outstanding work in promoting international relations.

Two types of award are offered:

- a a discrete project or an ongoing initiative during 2012 / 2013 that strengthens museum relations internationally, promotes information sharing across borders and distributes resources beyond Australia. Individuals or teams can be recognized; or
- b outstanding individual achievement, recognizing sustained international work over a long period.

Projects or initiatives can be from any area of museum practice (for example, collection management, exhibitions, museum management, audience development, marketing, research, sponsorship, education, training or professional development).

Eligibility

The Award is open to Australian individuals, museums or partner organisations – such as educational institutions or non-government organisations. Nominees must be members of ICOM, or be currently or formerly employed by institutions that are ICOM members.

Nominations can come from industry peers; self-nominations will also be accepted. Current members of the ICOM Australia Executive Board are eligible for nomination, provided that their nomination comes from outside the Board. Nominations from members of the ICOM Australia Executive Board will not be accepted.

How to nominate a project, initiative or individual

Nominators should complete the application form at <http://icom.org.au/site/activitiesair.php>, including a written summary of no more than two (2) pages. This summary should describe:

- In the case of discrete projects or initiatives: the intent and outcome of the project or initiative
- In the case of individual awards: how the nominee has furthered international relations through their work, making a case for recognition of sustained outstanding achievement

The summary could include, where relevant, the nominee's vision, research, planning, cross-cultural communication, analysis and outcomes.

You may include digital copies of published material relating to the project or initiative as supplementary information.

Nominations should clearly state:

- The nominator's name, position and institution (if relevant) and full contact details
- The nominee's name, position and institution (if relevant) and full contact details

All nominations must be postmarked by close of business Monday 15 April 2013.

Nominations should be sent to:

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Judging and Award Ceremony

A panel including members of the ICOM Australia Executive Board will judge the individual and institutional nominations received and determine the award recipients.

The judges have the right not to confer an award if they believe nominations are not of sufficient quality and relevance. The judging panel's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

The award will be presented during the 2013 Museums Australia Conference, Canberra, 17–20 May 2013. ICOM Australia can contribute to the cost of attendance at the ceremony if requested.

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Copyright remains with the nominee for all entries to the Award. By submitting a nomination, the nominator warrants that the nominee will grant ICOM Australia and the International Council of Museums a limited licence to reproduce material relating to the nominated project for the promotion of the Award and for archival purposes.

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