

NZPPI Young Achiever Award 2018



The Young Achiever Award is an annual competition run by New Zealand Plant Producers to find the best young nursery person in the country.

It aims to reward and encourage young people who are excelling in their chosen career. Applicants who have a love for the nursery and garden industry and have an excellent knowledge of the products they deal with plus can demonstrate managerial ability are invited to enter. The competition will push entrants to learn valuable new skills, give them exceptional networking opportunities with industry leaders and boost their careers. The winner of Young Achiever will go on to represent the nursery industry at the Young Horticulturist of the Year competition in November in Auckland.



Shanna Hickling, Young Achiever 2017,
with Mark Stevenson

The winner receives:

- A trophy to hold for one year
- A framed certificate
- A five-day trip to Melbourne taking in the Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show in April 2019, including flights, accommodation and tickets up to a value of \$2500.
- Automatic entry to represent the nursery & garden sector in the Young Horticulturist of the Year 2018, with an estimated prize pool of \$20,000.
- Automatic entry to the AGMARDT Market Innovation Project with a \$5,000 first prize.
- Attendance as a special guest of the sponsor at the NZPPI Conference in June in Rotorua, including accommodation of up to three nights.

Two runners up receive:

- A framed certificate
- A \$500 Prezzy card
- Attendance as a special guest of the sponsor at the NZPPI Conference in June in Rotorua, including accommodation of up to three nights.

Conditions of Entry (see back for full list of criteria)

Applicants must:

- Be working full time in the nursery and garden industry
- Be 30 years of age or younger as at 31 December 2018
- Show evidence of completing three years practical work experience in the nursery and garden industry
- If selected, be available to compete in the AGMARDT Market Innovation Project and the Young Horticulturist of the Year competition in Auckland in November 2018

Applications close 24th May 2018

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Young Achiever Award 2018 Entry Form



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How to enter:

Complete this entry form including the following questions and email or post with all supporting documents and photographs (including one of you) to NZPPI, by the due date.

Email: frances@nzppi.co.nz

Post: Young Achiever 2018, NZPPI, PO Box 3443, Wellington 6140

Candidate Details:

Name: _____ Date of birth: _____
(Day/Month/Year xx/xx/xxxx)

Contact Phone: _____

Place of work: _____

Position held: _____

Email: _____

1 Describe your position and role in the business where you work and your current responsibilities.

2 Outline your training history over the past three years. List your qualifications.

3 What qualities and skills do you bring to this industry?

- 4 Give your assessment and understanding of industry issues.
- 5 Outline your plans for future personal development and commitment to this industry.
- 6 Your profile – please write a short profile on yourself for publication on the website (Approx. 100 words. Include: your background, your current role, why you are entering the competition, what you hope to get out of it, your greatest achievement, your interests outside work, your family.)

I have read and understood the conditions of entry.

Signature:

Date:

(Day/Month/Year xx/xx/xxxx)

Conditions of Entry: **1.** Applicants must be working full time in the nursery and garden industry sector. **2.** Applicants must be 30 years of age or under as at 31 December 2018. **3.** To enter the competition the application must be completed and posted or emailed to NZPPI to arrive by 24th May 2018. **4.** Applicants must show evidence of completing 3 years practical work experience in the nursery and garden industry. **5.** Applications will be reviewed to provide a short-list of finalists for the Young Achiever Award competition. Completion of an application does not guarantee entry into the competition. **6.** Applicants must be available, if selected, to compete at the Young Achiever Award competition to be held at Rydges Hotel, Rotorua, June 26-28. **7.** The Applicant agrees that if they win they must be available to compete in the Young Horticulturist of the Year competition to be held in Auckland November 2018. **8.** The judges' decisions will be final and no correspondence will be entered into. **9.** All prizes are to be accepted as given and are not convertible to cash. **10.** The winner will be expected to be available to give interviews to the media for promotional purposes as required, and be available to promote the competition where applicable.

Any questions about application should be directed to Frances Palmer at NZPPI

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Phone: 04 918 3511

Website: nzppi.org.nz/youngachiever



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