

Young Achiever Award 2019

The Young Achiever competition is an exciting opportunity for young adults in the nursery and garden industry to show off their top-notch nursery skills and passion for their work.

We invite applicants to exhibit their knowledge of the plants and products they work with, plus demonstrate their leadership skills.

Applicants are assessed by a panel of industry experts and three finalists are selected.

The finalists are invited to attend the NZPPI conference to participate in a series of activities to test their knowledge and skills whilst being assessed by the judges.

The winner is announced at the conference gala dinner on 15 May in Christchurch.



Personal gains

Being part of the competition will inspire and challenge entrants to be the best plants men and women they can be. It will push entrants to develop new skills and offers exceptional networking opportunities with industry leaders.

It will provide them with opportunities for career development.

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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 2020, including flights, accommodation and tickets up to a value of \$2200.
- Automatic entry to represent the nursery & garden sector in the Young Horticulturist of the Year 2019, 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 May in Christchurch, including accommodation of up to three nights.

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Two runners up receive:

- A framed certificate
- A \$400 Prezzy card
- Attendance as a special guest of the sponsor at the NZPPI Conference in May in Christchurch, including accommodation of up to three nights.

Conditions of Entry

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Applicants must:

- Be working full time in the nursery and garden industry
- Be 30 years of age or younger as at 31 December 2019
- 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 2019

Applications close Friday 22nd March 2019

New Zealand Plant Producers Inc.

Young Achiever Award 2019 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 2019, NZPPI, PO Box 3443, Wellington 6140

Candidate Details:

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

Name:

Date of birth:

Place of work:

Position held:

Contact Phone:

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 are the qualities and skills you bring to the industry?

- 4 Give your assessment and understanding of industry issues.**
- 5 Outline your plans for future personal development and commitment to the 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 2019. 3. To enter the competition the application must be completed and posted or emailed to NZPPI to arrive by 22nd March 2019. 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 Tait Technology Centre, Christchurch, 14-16 May 2019. 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 2019. 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 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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