

GEORGE DUNNE AWARD OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION BY AN INDIVIDUAL

This award recognises the extraordinary personal and professional achievement and contribution by an individual over many years to the Northern Territory tourism industry.

George Dunne was a highly respected Territorian who had a long affinity with the Brolga Awards since they commenced in 1987. George joined the Northern Territory Tourist Commission in 1980 and was Regional Director until 1998 when he was then appointed Ministerial Adviser to the Minister for Tourism and Chief Minister. George was also an active and passionate executive member on a number of Boards and Committees throughout the Northern Territory. A recipient of the Outstanding Contribution by an Individual Award in 1991, George later received the Tourism Minister's Perpetual Trophy in 2008.

Important notes:

- *The award will not be made to the same person twice.*
- *Nominations are acceptable from any party except the nominee.*
- *The candidate will not be notified that their name has been put forward for consideration.*
- *The award will be presented at the discretion of the judges, based on the submissions received.*
- *This category is awarded at the Northern Territory level - winners do not become finalists at the Australian Tourism Awards.*
- *The national Outstanding Contribution by an Individual (or Tourism Legend) is a separate nomination process, focussing on an individuals' national contribution.*
- *This award will not necessarily be recognised annually.*
- *The criteria and rules for entry for the 2021 Australian Tourism Awards program do not apply to this category.*
- *It is expected that the nominee will be in attendance at the gala awards ceremony in November in Darwin (at own cost).*

Entry process:

- Entries will only be accepted via the online awards portal
- A two to three page overview of the candidate which contains:
 - a) The name of the person nominating the candidate and the candidates relationship to the nominator
 - b) Brief overview of the candidate, highlighting their outstanding attributes. Include a brief history of their career in the Northern Territory, including a description of their current employment and other participations, if applicable
 - c) Examples of what the candidate has done over and above their paid job and the long term benefits of their professional contribution and service to the NT
 - d) Examples of what the candidate has done on a personal level for tourism in the NT and any long term benefits
 - e) Contribution to the Australian tourism industry if applicable
- Up to 3 written references supporting the nomination

Please note, submission and 3 references to be combined as one PDF document and uploaded to awards portal.

- Upload 5 x images of the candidate to the awards portal as instructed

Judging:

The panel will consider all candidates on their own merits. The panel will be looking for people who have made a **long term professional and personal contribution** to the Northern Territory tourism industry and, if relevant, Australian tourism industry.

They will consider in particular, the activities and contribution of the candidate outside the expectations of their normal employment.

Judges will score on:

Commitment to professional development over past 24 months	(10 points)
Professional contribution and service to NT tourism industry	(20 points)
Personal contribution and service to the NT	(20 points)

Announcement of the winner:

The winner will be announced at the Brolga Awards Gala Dinner where they will be presented with their trophy on stage.