

2024 Melbourne Royal Emerging Leader in Victorian Agriculture Award *Nomination Form*

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE
THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST 2024**

Please read the Nomination Guide before completing this form and return to emergingleaders@melbourneroyal.com.au

Save this form to your computer and type directly into the space provided

SECTION 1: NOMINEE'S DETAILS

Title:	<input type="text"/>	First Name:	<input type="text"/>
Surname:	<input type="text"/>	Age (in years):	<input type="text"/>
Current School and/or Employment (ROLE & ORGANISATION)	<input type="text"/>		
Other relevant roles/positions:	<input type="text"/>		
Telephone:	<input type="text"/>		
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>		

SECTION 2: NOMINATOR'S DETAILS (LEAVE BLANK IF SELF NOMINATED)

Title:	<input type="text"/>	First Name:*	<input type="text"/>
Surname:*	<input type="text"/>		
Position:	<input type="text"/>		
Organisation:	<input type="text"/>		
Relationship to nominee	<input type="text"/>		
Telephone:	<input type="text"/>		
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>		

SECTION 3: NOMINATION CATEGORY

In which category are you making your nomination? You may select more than one.

- A. Professional contribution B. Industry contribution C. Community contribution

SECTION 4: RESPONSE TO CRITERIA

Please respond to each of the following questions. The selection panel require detailed answers in order to assess the nominee and it is recommended that you provide at least 100 words for each question.

a. What leadership behaviours do you/the nominee demonstrate?

Consider communication skills, confidence, empathy, motivation, adaptability

b. What do you/the nominee do to demonstrate leadership?

*Have you/the nominee introduced or initiated an innovative idea into their community or workplace to benefit the group?
Have you/the nominee assisted their profession, industry or community to solve a problem?*

SECTION 4: RESPONSE TO CRITERIA (CONTINUED)

c. What have you/the nominee done 'above and beyond' their position or role to make a contribution to their profession, industry or community?

Have you/the nominee volunteered time or resources for the success of their profession, industry or community?

d. What outstanding product or service have you/the nominee developed or delivered that demonstrates a contribution to their profession, industry or community?

Examples may include volunteer and community involvement

SECTION 4: RESPONSE TO CRITERIA (CONTINUED)

e. What impact has your/the nominee's contribution had on industry, community and/or the wider agricultural sector and what evidence supports this?

For example; inspired a new generation of young judges, mentored a new colleague, undertaken leadership training

f. How might you/the nominee contribute as a leader in the future?

Consider goals and future aspirations

SECTION 5: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Supplementary materials such as newspaper articles, websites, journal articles and photos may be submitted with the nomination.
Please attach to nomination.

a. What prior recognition have you/the nominee received for their contribution?

b. Is there any other information or material that you wish to add to support this nomination?

SECTION 6: SUPPORTING NOMINATION – OPTIONAL

Please have the supporting nominator complete the following section.
Please submit the entire nomination (Sections 1-6) as one completed nomination.

Title:	<input type="text"/>	First Name:*	<input type="text"/>
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The selection panel require detailed answers in order to assess the nominee and it is recommended that you provide at least 100 words for each section.

Please provide a supporting statement that describes the nominee's leadership qualities and how they have been demonstrated.

SECTION 6: SUPPORTING NOMINATION – OPTIONAL (CONTINUED)

What other information might support the nominee's suitability for an Emerging Leader Award?

Thank you for taking the time to put forward a nomination for the ELVA Awards.

The selection panel require detailed answers in order to assess the nominee, it is therefore anticipated the form may take up to 45 minutes to complete.

AWARD CRITERIA

Nominations made must meet at least one or more of the following categories:

A. PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTION

The nominee (business owner, employee or volunteer) demonstrates professional excellence in the development or delivery of a product or service that makes an outstanding contribution to the success of the business and provides positive outcomes for industry

B. INDUSTRY CONTRIBUTION

The nominee makes an outstanding contribution to advancing the wider industry through advocacy, thought leadership, improving the image of industry and/or educating consumer audiences.

C. COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION

The nominee makes an outstanding contribution to improving communities that support the food and fibre industry, particularly rural and regional communities, including initiatives that promote social cohesiveness, collaboration and sustainability.

GENERAL CRITERIA

For each category nominations must detail how the nominee demonstrates the following:

- Qualities commonly associated with leadership including, but not limited to, innovation, creativity, positive influence on others, strong communication skills and ethical conduct
- An outstanding contribution beyond the scope of their position or role, by taking on challenges and going 'above and beyond' the demands of their day-to-day responsibilities
- Development or delivery of a product or service that has a point of difference, unique value proposition to industry, demonstrates innovation and/or a creative approach to addressing a problem. *This may be in any business area, including technology, sustainability, human resource management, natural resource management, productivity and/or competitiveness.*

AWARD ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a nomination an individual must:

- Be aged up to 35 years at the time of nomination
- Have a role as an employee, business owner, volunteer or contributor to the food and fibre industry (agriculture, agribusiness or food and beverage production including, but not limited to wine, beer, fine foods, red meat, fibre, horticulture, poultry, pork, dairy and grains)
- Be a Victorian resident or contributor to Victorian industry or community
- Not be a previous recipient of an Melbourne Royal Emerging Leader Award

FAQS

WHO MAY NOMINATE?

Any person is invited to make a nomination. Nominees may self nominate.

HOW DO I MAKE A NOMINATION?

1. Complete section 1-5 of the nomination form.
2. Optional: Engage someone to support your nomination and complete section 6 of the nomination form.
3. Email completed sections of the nomination form, along with any supporting materials to emergingleaders@melbournroyal.com.au

WHO SHOULD I ASK TO SUPPORT MY NOMINATION?

Engaging someone to support your nomination by providing responses to section 6 is entirely optional.

Nominations with a support or referee will be highly regarded, and provides additional information to the judging panel.

If you choose to have someone support your nomination, engage someone who can provide insights from a different perspective. For example; a community leader, a member organisation, or an employer.

WHEN IS THE NOMINATION DUE?

Nominations will be accepted up until COB Thursday 1st August 2024.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I MAKE A NOMINATION?

Nominations will be shortlisted and successful recipients selected by an industry panel. Successful applicants will be announced at a celebratory function at the Melbourne Royal Show during the Youth in Ag weekend (5th-6th October 2024). All finalists for this award will be invited to the Emerging Leaders Function at Melbourne Royal Show for the announcement of the successful award recipient.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT TO THE AWARD RECIPIENT?

Award recipients will receive up to \$7,000:

- \$5,000 Funding to support the individual in further development within their agricultural field
- \$2,000 worth of training, networking and industry experience

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