

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO MAKES OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE?

Every year the City of Ryde publicly acknowledges and recognises the outstanding accomplishments by individuals in our community who have excelled in their chosen field.

City of Ryde Mayor, Clr Jerome Laxale said: "These Awards are a way for our community to acknowledge citizens who have served our City. I encourage anyone that knows someone who makes a real difference in Ryde to nominate them for these Awards."

Winners and nominations in the past have come from fields as diverse as sporting administrators, business leaders, educators, fire fighters, church leaders, school captains, writers, youth workers and other entrepreneurs.

There are two categories:

- Citizen of the Year 2016
   Recognises outstanding service to the community over an extended period.
- Young Citizen of the Year 2016
   Recognises outstanding service to the community over an extended period by a young person aged 16 -25yrs.

The awards are open to all Australian citizens living in the City of Ryde. The Young Citizen of the Year Award is open to Australian citizens between the ages of 16 and 25 years (as at 26 January 2016). The awards are held under the auspices of the Australia Day Council of NSW and judging is conducted by a local selection panel. Winners are announced at City of Ryde's Council's Australia Day Celebrations on 26 January 2016.

For a nomination form and guidelines go to <a href="www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen">www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/citizen</a>.

Nominations open on Tuesday 6 October 2015 and close Friday 13 November 2015.

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