



The 2009 Fair Go Award

1. The Fair Go Award is open to any organisation operating anywhere in Australia.
2. Only organisations may be nominated.
3. Organisations are nominated in recognition of exceptional efforts in giving Deaf people a fair go.
4. Nominees can be nominated for their efforts in any field, eg education, service provision, health, telecommunications, employment etc. Some examples of reasons for nominating an organisation could be but are not limited to:
 - Provides appropriate and high quality support for Deaf people to ensure equal access to education
 - Affirmative action enabling Deaf people to participate in employment on a level playing field
 - Provides high quality services enabling Deaf people to participate in community and society
 - Provides programs to increase options and opportunities for Deaf people
 - Provides appropriate services/support to enable Deaf people to equitably access a product or service
 - Provides a high level of access to technology for Deaf people
5. Nominations may be made by:
 - Any person who is an Ordinary member of Deaf Australia
 - Any Organisation which is an Ordinary Corporate member of Deaf Australia
 - A state branch of Deaf Australia
6. These guidelines and the nomination form are on the Deaf Australia website, and can also be obtained from the Deaf Australia office.
7. A completed nomination form for each nomination must explain the reasons why the organisation is being nominated. This information is necessary to allow the selection panel to make their decision.
8. Nominations can be made in written English or in Auslan.
9. The nomination must be in a sealed envelope stating "Nomination for the Fair Go Year Award" on the front of the envelope. This sealed envelope is to be inserted in another envelope addressed to The Convenor, Fair Go Award Panel, Deaf Australia Inc.

10. The Board of Deaf Australia will appoint members of the Fair Go Year Award selection panel. This panel will consist of:
 - the Convenor, who will be the President of Deaf Australia;
 - a member of the Board of Deaf Australia;
 - one ordinary individual member of Deaf Australia, who is not currently on the Board, and who has not submitted a nomination.
11. The panel will review nominations and select the winner of the Award.
12. The closing date for nominations is **Friday, 9th October 2009**. Entries must be received at the Deaf Australia office by **5.00pm on that day**.
13. Nominations received after the closing date will not be considered.
14. Nominations may be faxed to the office of Deaf Australia. However, the original nomination must also be sent by mail. A faxed nomination received by the closing date will only be considered if the original is also received within one week after the closing date.
15. Nominations may be sent by email to Deaf Australia at info@deafau.org.au.
16. The decision of the Award panel will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
17. The announcement of the Award winner will be made by the President of the Deaf Australia or the Convenor of the Award panel, or some other person as determined by the Board of Deaf Australia.
18. The Award will be presented during Deaf Australia's Annual General Meeting on 30 October 2009, in Brisbane, Qld.

CLOSING DATE FOR NOMINATIONS: FRIDAY, 9th October 2009 at 5.00PM

Nomination forms are to be sent to:

The Convenor
Fair Go Award Panel
Deaf Australia Inc.
PO Box 1083
Stafford QLD 4053

Fax: 07 3357 8377

Email: info@deafau.org.au