

2017

**Generations Working
Together**

**Recognition Awards in
Intergenerational Work**

Categories and Guidance notes



Introduction

About the Awards

Generations Working Together (GWT) is pleased to announce the upcoming Recognition Awards, which will be presented at the National Conference in Stirling on Wednesday 8th March 2017. The awards celebrate and recognise the outstanding talent, commitment and inspirational involvement of workers, volunteers and groups who are involved and are embracing Intergenerational work across Scotland.

GWT believes that Intergenerational practice aims to bring people together in purposeful, mutually beneficial activities, which promote greater understanding and respect between generations, and contributes to building more cohesive communities.

These awards will promote intergenerational work further and inspire individuals and organisations from the third sector, public and private to continue to grow their intergenerational work and embed it within their practice and policy.

There are five Awards Categories:

1. New Intergenerational Project (Less than 12months)
2. Established Intergenerational Project (Greater than 1 year)
3. Yvonne Coull Local Network Coordinators Award
4. Outstanding volunteer contributing to intergenerational work
5. Building successful partnerships through intergenerational work

Objectives

- To say thank you to projects for their hard work and to encourage projects to celebrate their successes
- To raise awareness throughout Scotland of the diverse range of intergenerational projects taking place
- An opportunity for projects to connect with their local press raising awareness of their intergenerational work locally and nationally

Categories

New Intergenerational Project

Criteria: Your intergenerational project must be new and less than 12 months old and involve younger and older people (typically separated by at least one generation i.e. at least twenty to twenty-five years).

Established Intergenerational Project

Criteria: Your intergenerational project must have been running for longer than 12 months and must involve younger and older people as defined in section above.

Outstanding Volunteer Contributing to Intergenerational Work

Criteria: The nominated volunteer should be a younger or older person who shows great understanding and respect for different generations and understands the importance of meaningful intergenerational relationships, which are developed within the project they are involved in. They must have shown dedication and drive and have contributed to the team in helping deliver the project.

Building Successful Partnerships through Intergenerational Work

Criteria: Nominees should clearly show how the planning group responsible for organising, planning, facilitating and evaluating the intergenerational project has developed, sustained and nurtured partnerships throughout the life of the project. Please highlight relationships built with organisations that you would not normally work with.

Yvonne Coull Local Network Coordinator Award

Background: This award is dedicated to Yvonne Coull who truly believed in what Generations Working Together was striving to achieve. Yvonne worked passionately with GWT and became one of our first regional Development Officers to support networks across the east coast of Scotland. Nothing was ever too much for Yvonne who delivered many of our training courses and collaborated on a few of our publications. Yvonne led the education sub group, which went on to produce the education resource pack, which she authored. In late spring of 2014 Yvonne suddenly fell ill and was diagnosed with cancer. Yvonne fought hard against the disease however sadly lost her battle later that year.

Criteria: GWT staff will be invited to nominate coordinators from their network areas showing how they have contributed to building a healthy and proactive network. Network members can suggest local coordinators for nomination to their GWT Development Officer/Manager).

Process

- Nominations can only be made for projects working within Scotland
- Organisations/groups and individuals should send the completed application form to office@generationsworkingtogether.org by Wednesday 25th January 2017
- A confirmation email will be sent within 5 working days of the receipt of your form
- Applications will then be considered by a panel of trustees
- Nominations remain anonymous throughout the process and judges are not told if the nominees have been already nominated in the past.
- The recipients of the Awards are announced during the GWT National Conference on **Wednesday 8th March 2017**.

Eligibility

Nominees for the outstanding volunteer contribution are not eligible to apply directly but must be nominated by another person. The Local Network Coordinator Award will be nominated by a member of the GWT Team and chosen by the panel of judges. The panel of judges selects the recipients based on criteria for each award category.

Deadline: Wednesday 25th January 2017 at 12 noon

Email to: office@generationsworkingtogether.org

or post to Generations Working Together, 3rd Floor, Brunswick House, 51 Wilson Street, Glasgow, G1 1UZ

Good luck