

## Editorial article

### Nominate for the 2021 Victorian Disability Awards



Victorians are invited to nominate outstanding individuals and groups who have increased the rights and participation of people with disability for the 10<sup>th</sup> annual [Victorian Disability Awards](#).

In light of the 2020 edition of the awards not taking place due to coronavirus (COVID-19), Victorians are encouraged to help recognise achievements over the past 18 months in this year's awards. Nominations are open to individuals and groups – including people with disability, family members, volunteers and people working in the sector – in seven categories:

- emerging leader award
- excellence in creating inclusive communities
- excellence in employment outcomes
- excellence in promoting health, housing and wellbeing
- excellence in promoting rights, fairness and safety
- volunteer award
- lifetime achievement honour roll.

The 2019 winners include the AFL Victoria and Disability Sport and Recreation partnership who delivered the first-ever wheelchair football league, Olivia Beasley who has advocated for the rights of Deaf people like herself, and the Find Your Voice All Abilities Choir, a 170-people strong choir formed in 2017 and made up of people with various disabilities.

To nominate or find out more, visit [www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/disabilityawards](http://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/disabilityawards)

**Nominations close on Sunday, 4 April 2021 at midnight.**

Winners will be announced at a ceremony on Thursday, 29 July.