

INTRODUCTION

The Australian Calisthenics Federation (ACF) is committed to recognising and celebrating the outstanding contributions of individuals who have significantly enhanced the quality, and spirit of our sport. In pursuit of this, the ACF proudly presents five prestigious awards annually. These awards not only acknowledge exceptional dedication and effort, but also highlight the recipients as exemplary role models within the calisthenics community.

The awards include:

- ACF Coach of the Year
- ACF Official of the Year (Adjudicators and Examiners)
- ACF Volunteer of the Year
- ACF Diamond Coach
- ACF Diamond Adjudicator

These honours are designed to appreciate the tireless work of coaches, officials and volunteers who have devoted a significant portion of their lives to advancing calisthenics. The evaluation for these awards goes beyond achievements in the immediate year, taking into consideration the nominees' sustained contributions and enduring impact on the sport.

Through these awards, the ACF aims to inspire others by showcasing the dedication and excellence of its members, thereby fostering a culture of continuous improvement and commitment within the calisthenics community.

Who Can Nominate?

We welcome nominations from:

- State Members;
- State Coaching bodies;
- State Branches of Adjudicators Society of Calisthenics (ASCA);
- Examiners Advisory Board;
- ACF Board of Directors.

Individual clubs can nominate coaches and volunteers, but nominations must come through the State Member Association or the State Coaching Association. Association can nominate more than one person, and the nominees may or may not have been awarded State recognition in the same year.

The Nomination Process

To nominate an individual for an ACF Award, please ensure the following is submitted:

- A completed nomination form for the relevant award which includes;
 - A supporting statement using the template provided, outlining the nominee's history and experience against the criteria and;
 - Two (2) additional supporting statements of recommendation from:
 - A club official
 - State Association
 - Participant
 - Administrator
 - Parent, or
 - Another person closely involved with the nominee's work who may be outside the calisthenics community.

(These two statements do not need to be prepared on the official template)

These comprehensive submissions are crucial in ensuring that the contributions and dedication of the nominees are thoroughly evaluated and recognized. Your detailed and thoughtful nominations help uphold the standards of excellence and recognition that the ACF awards represent.

The Selection Process

The selection of award recipients is a meticulous and thoughtful process, ensuring that the most deserving individuals are recognized for their outstanding contributions to calisthenics. The steps for the selection process are as follows:

- The ACF Board will convene a selection panel of a minimum of three (3) panellists.
- Each of the nominations will be thoroughly reviewed against the criteria. The nomination that meets the criteria to the highest standard in each of the following categories will be chosen as the recipient for that year:
 - ACF Coach of the Year
 - ACF Official of the Year
 - ACF Volunteer of the Year
- The Hall of Fame Awards will be assessed in the same detailed manner. If more than one nomination in each category is deemed to have met each criterion at the highest standard, the ACF can at their discretion select more than one recipient for each of the following Hall of Fame Awards:
 - ACF Diamond Coach
 - ACF Diamond Adjudicator

This comprehensive selection process ensures that the awards reflect the highest standards of excellence and dedication, honouring those who have made significant and lasting contributions to the sport of calisthenics.

Presenting the Awards

Where possible, all awards are presented at the ACF National Championships, or another ACF event. This prestigious event provides a fitting stage to honour the exceptional contributions of award recipients in front of the national calisthenics community. The awards ceremony is a highlight of the championships, celebrating the dedication, hard work, and excellence of individuals who have significantly enhanced our sport.

In lieu of no ACF National Championships in 2024, this years awards will be presented live via Social Media as part of the ACF Board & SASC Stakeholder meeting being held in Adelaide in October.

Completed Nominations

We strongly encourage you to take the time to nominate an outstanding contributor. These awards represent the pinnacle of achievement within our sport. They are highly valued by the recipients, bring immense pride to the individual and their state, and set a benchmark for excellence for others in the calisthenics community.

Your nominations are crucial in recognizing and celebrating the extraordinary efforts of those who inspire and elevate the sport of calisthenics. By nominating deserving individuals, you help uphold the spirit of excellence and dedication that these awards symbolize.

Please send your completed nominations using the correct template to:

ACFawards@calisthenicsaustralia.com.au

Nominations Close **Sunday 15th September 2024**

Award Winners Announced **Saturday 19th October 2024**