Terms & Conditions

- Entrants must either be an individual or museum member of Museums Aotearoa. (For these purposes, museum member includes paid or unpaid staff of museum members.)
- Museums Aotearoa employees or contractors, and members of the Awards Evaluation Panel, are not eligible to enter the Awards.
- For the Individual Achievement Award category, a nomination can only be made with the prior consent and knowledge of the nominee. Nominators must be a member (museum or individual) of Museums Aotearoa.
- Entries must be submitted on the official application form.
- Entries must reach Museums Aotearoa by 5.00pm Thursday 1 March 2012. Submissions received after that time/date will not be considered.
- Projects must be completed or have reached an identifiable or significant milestone, no more than 24 months prior to the Awardsô closing date.
- Entries must include supporting material as outlined on the application form to ensure a fair and informed evaluation.
- All supporting material becomes the property of Museums Aotearoa and will not be returned.
- The decision of the evaluation panel will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Each entry will receive an email acknowledgement upon receipt by Museums Aotearoa and a letter stating the outcome once judging has been completed.
- Winners will officially be announced at the New Zealand Museum Awards and Museum Aotearoaôs conference dinner in Wellington on 19 April 2012.
- Successful entries cannot be entered for these awards in a subsequent year.
- Successful entries will be required to be available to Museums Aotearoa and/or its sponsors for display, publicity or promotional purposes.

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Evaluation Criteria

All entries will be assessed by an independent evaluation panel appointed by Museums Aotearoa.

Some or all of the following criteria will be applied as relevant to each Award category:

Excellence: demonstrates excellence, best practice and possibly exceeds the current standards of museum practice

Relevance: demonstrates relevance to the communities and audiences served

Inclusion: promotes accessibility and diversity

Innovation: demonstrates and promotes new and creative ideas

Vision: advances a vision of the future of museums.

If the evaluation panel is unable to identify a suitable achievement in each category, no award will be given.

Awards Entry Information

Deadline for entries for the 2012 Awards: **5.00pm, Thursday 1 March 2012**.

It is intended that finalists will be notified by Thursday, 15 March 2012.

The winners will be publicly announced at the New Zealand Museum Awards and Museums Aotearoa conference dinner on 19 April 2012.

Entries must be submitted on the official application form, available from the Museums Aotearoa website or by emailing: **mail@museumsaotearoa.org.nz**

Entry forms must be fully completed and signed to be valid for consideration.

Support material as required for each Award category, must be submitted with the entry form.

Applications must reach Museums Aotearoa by the above date.

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