



## Office for Volunteers

### 2017 Joy Noble Medal Guidelines

#### Applications open Monday 20 March 2017 and close Friday 21 April 2017

The **Joy Noble Medal** is the highest distinction for individual volunteers in South Australia.

Joy Noble’s name is synonymous with volunteering in South Australia. She has been an active volunteer throughout her life, starting with enemy aircraft spotting in Port Augusta during World War II, the Girl Guides and various church groups. During her long and fruitful career as a Social Worker she continued to show commitment to volunteering and implemented a volunteer program within the Department of Community Welfare in 1972.

Since she retired, Joy’s commitment to volunteering has continued to grow. She co-founded Volunteering SA with Mavis Reynolds in 1980 and has gone on to become an internationally renowned author of books on volunteer management. She also co-edited the Australian Journal on Volunteering for its first three years until 1999.

In 2002, Joy was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for her services to the volunteer movement.

The Joy Noble Medal recognises outstanding contributions to volunteering and is a tribute to a great South Australian.

#### Key Dates

Nominations open	<b>20 March 2017</b>
Nominations close	<b>5pm, 21 April 2017</b>
Nominations assessed	<b>April 2017</b>
Nominators notified	<b>May 2017</b>
Presentation of award	<b>June 2017</b>

#### Who can nominate?

Anyone can nominate and self-nominations are accepted.

#### Eligibility

The Joy Noble Medal is open to individuals who have made an outstanding commitment and contribution to volunteering in South Australia.

## Criteria

The selection panel will consider all nominations against the following criteria:

- positive community impact
- contribution to the values of volunteering, i.e. honesty, equity, respect, integrity, quality and caring
- leadership in the development of volunteering
- commitment to the South Australian community.

Note: there is no age restriction or minimum years of service required.

## Referee support

All nominations must be accompanied by at least two referee statements (letters of support or written testimonials) from community organisations/individuals that have benefited from the nominated volunteer's efforts.

## Recognition of award winner

The medal winner will be announced at a special Volunteers Day event, in June 2017.

The winner may also appear in the Adelaide media and in Office for Volunteers publications, such as [The State of Volunteering Online](#) newsletter.

## Nominating is easy

Lodge your nomination online by visiting the Office for Volunteers website <http://www.ofv.sa.gov.au/volunteer-recognition/south-australian-volunteer-awards>.

## Nomination checklist

When submitting the nomination please:

- complete all sections
- attach at least two referee statements
- include any related materials supporting the nomination such as photos, brochures, newspaper articles, reports, newsletters and advertising material
- lodge your nomination online by 5pm on Friday 21 April 2017
- print a copy for your records.

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