

The Annie Dow Heroism Award 2014

Guidance Notes



There are no accidental heroes.

Celebrating acts of heroism amongst young people with additional support needs in Scotland.

We are looking for that special someone, who has demonstrated an exceptional act of heroism.

A prize of **£2500** will be awarded to the TADHA winning hero.

Please take time to read these notes, they will help you fill out the nomination form.

Many thanks and good luck!

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31 DECEMBER
2014**

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The Annie Dow Heroism Award (TADHA) aims to celebrate and highlight acts of heroism that transcend boundaries.

Please note to qualify for consideration for TADHA your hero must be a young person up to 30 years old with additional support needs and resident in Scotland at the time of the incident - although the event could have happened anywhere.

1. Tell us about your hero

Tell us about your hero's additional support needs and any personal challenges that he or she faces.

As well as your hero's name, address and age at the time of their heroic act, please let us know about his/her additional support needs and any personal challenges that he/she faces. This will help us understand him or her better.

And...TADHA's definition of a hero is any young person – girl or boy – who you admire for their courage and outstanding achievement.

2. The incident

Please note to qualify for consideration for TADHA the actual incident must have happened during 2014:

We know that accidents and incidents happen; we also know that when unexpected things happen heroes display astounding characteristics, typically they are brave and courageous; we know that heroes do exceptional things in difficult circumstances; we also know that heroes often keep their head and stay calm when everyone else around them is panicking.

We need to know about the situation your hero found themselves in –

- what happened
- when and where
- what actions your hero took
- the outcome of your hero's act

Please use the space provided to give us all the facts that we need.

3. The heroism

Please tell us why you believe that your hero should win TADHA 2014:

This is your chance to tell us why in your view your hero should win TADHA 2014.

Please use the space provided to convince the judges.

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4. References

Please provide the details of two individuals who are independent but supportive of this nomination, and that know your hero well. One referee should have professional knowledge of your hero e.g. teacher, social worker, health care professional etc.:

Please do seek the approval of your referees before providing us with their details.

On behalf of TADHA, The New School Butterstone will write to all the referees to ask them about your hero. Each referee will receive a short form to fill out that won't take them more than 15 minutes to complete. They will also be provided with a stamped addressed envelope so that the reference form can be returned.

We might also want to talk to them. Please do let them know.

5. Nominators details

Tell us a little about yourself and how you know the hero:

It is very likely that we will be in touch with you and we want to make sure that we do that in a way that is most convenient to you.

6. Enclosures

If the incident involved the rescue services or the police, there will be an official incident report. If this is the case and you have access to it, please do enclose a copy with your application. If you don't have a copy of an official public report please don't worry we will request it:

An official public report e.g. Police, Fire Scotland, medical	✓
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7. And finally...

Is there anything else we should know? – we don't want to miss any important detail:

Please use this last box on the TADHA Nomination Form to make sure that we have all the facts and are able to fully consider your hero for the TADHA award.

Thank you for nominating your hero and **GOOD LUCK!**