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New awards to recognise Arts and Heritage volunteers

The Shoalhaven City Council's Arts Board is calling on the community to nominate individuals and organisations for their outstanding achievements, and volunteers for their long service to the Arts and Heritage in the Shoalhaven.

Nominations for long serving volunteers are called for, from Shoalhaven's many historical societies, museums, galleries, theatre, music, dance and visual arts groups.

Arts and Events Manager Rachael French said the Shoalhaven City Council's Arts Board will award three outstanding achievement awards and multiple volunteer recognition awards at an official Awards Ceremony to be held at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre on Sunday 11 April 2010.

Nominations for the Awards and Volunteer Recognition will close on Friday 26 February.

The Award categories are:

- Young Achievement in the Arts – this award is open to people under 25 years of age as at 30 June 2010 and serves to encourage those young people to further develop their passion and development of the arts.
- Outstanding Contribution to the Arts by an Individual is open to people over 25 years who have made an outstanding contribution to the arts in the Shoalhaven.
- Outstanding Contribution to the Arts by an Organisation is open to an organisation which has made an outstanding contribution to the arts in the Shoalhaven.

All people wishing to nominate someone for the awards should read the guidelines at www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/region/Arts/ as the requirements differ for the Volunteer Recognition nomination to the three Outstanding Achievement Awards.

For more information on the awards you can call Council's Arts and Events Manager on (02) 4429 3460.

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