

Camden Youth Awards

Recognising potential, celebrating achievement

1. Individual awards (Young People)

These awards will bring the community together to recognise and celebrate the young people of Camden. The nominees you put forward will have made a difference to their community or achieved something amazing in their own life.

Do you know a young person who has achieved something that deserves recognition? Will their story inspire and encourage others? We want your nomination. Nominations can come from young people, professionals, parents, guardians, carers and local residents.

- Please remember get consent from the person you are nominating to make sure they are happy being nominated.
- If you submit a video or photos please make sure you get all those shown in the video/photo to sign the publicity release form or we will not be able to use the footage/photo you submit.

Individual awards - entry criteria

Nominees must:

- be aged 13 to 19 (up to 25 for young people with learning difficulties or disabilities)
- live, work or study in Camden or attend a Camden youth project or service.

Your nominees must also show:

- their level of commitment, dedication and enthusiasm towards making a change or improvement to their school, youth centre, community and / or their own life and other young people's / local residents' lives
- how significant or worthwhile their contribution or progress was
- the level of personal skill, attributes and strength of character demonstrated
- how inspiring or moving their story is.

Please note that you cannot nominate yourself for these individual awards.

Individual award categories

1. **Young Carer** – do you know a young carer who has managed to juggle practical or emotional care responsibilities for someone in their family as well as school, work or training during COVID19?

2. **Personal Journey** – do you know a young person who has shown determination and strength of character in overcoming particularly difficult circumstances during such a challenging year?
3. **Young Volunteer** – can you nominate a young person who has spent time working for the benefit of other residents in Camden? This could be delivering food parcels vulnerable members of the community, supporting local groups to deliver services during the pandemic, fundraising for charities supporting those going through hardships because of COVID19 or raising awareness around how to keep safe.
4. **Sport / Physical Activity** – do you know a young person who has worked hard to support others to participate in sport or a physical activity during lockdown? Have they helped run classes or tried a new activity and encouraged others to participate?
5. **New Creatives** – can you nominate a young person who has used their time during lockdown to explore a new creative activity? How have they achieved and shared their passion? This could include sharing their new passion for drawing, sewing, poetry, film-making, music or drama with friends and the wider community.
6. **Camden Spotlight Award** - This person has done something which is helpful, supportive, understanding, altruistic and kind for an individual or group of people in their community, youth club or school during this difficult year. What is it that this young person has done and why do they stand out above all others?

2. Individual Award – (Adult)

Individual awards - entry criteria

Nominees must:

- be aged 19+
- Work within a Camden youth provision (either voluntary sector or council)

Your nominees must also show:

- their level of commitment, dedication and enthusiasm towards making a change or improvement to their youth provision and young people's / local residents' lives
- how significant or worthwhile their contribution or progress was
- how inspiring or moving their story is.

Please note that you cannot nominate yourself for this individual award.

Individual adult award category

- 1. Youth Practitioner Award** – Do you work with a practitioner who went above and beyond to support young people during the pandemic? What did they do that showed their commitment to engaging and supporting young people and how did this positively on the community?

3. Best practice award

Best practice award entry criteria

To be eligible, projects must:

- be delivered in Camden for young people aged 13 to 19 (up to 25 for young people with learning difficulties or disabilities)
- and be delivered in a youth work or group work setting.

The main selection criteria will be:

- the level of innovation and engagement of young people
- the level of young people's involvement in designing and leading the project
- the outcomes that have been achieved and the evidence for this.

You can nominate your own project.

Best Practice Award category

- 1. Youth Provision Award** - We are looking for nominations for projects or specific pieces of work which have achieved the best outcomes for young people during the pandemic. How did the centre/service adapt and deliver services to young people during the pandemic? What did they deliver that made a difference to their lives during this challenging time? This will also recognise the dedication of staff, volunteers and our partners. Nominations are welcome from young people, professionals, parents / guardians / carers and residents.

What do you need to do?

Share this information with colleagues, young people and local residents encouraging them to nominate young people and/or projects by completing the **Individual Award** or **Best Practice Award** nomination form.

Alternatively, you can submit a video nomination. You will answer the same questions as the nomination form but can also include video footage of the activity, person or end results.

If you chose to submit a video nomination, please follow these guidelines;

- Please film on either a phone or tablet
- Please film landscape/horizontal mode
- Please start the video with your name, the name of the person or project you are nominating and the award you are nominating them for.
- For clear sound and so that we can hear your voice, please use any headphone mic/ or film in a quiet space.
- You do not need to edit the footage, as we are working with a Documentary Filmmaker who will put everything together.
- If you are unsure what to say, follow the guidance in the nomination form and explain why you think that person or project deserves the award.

Please give as much information as possible within the allocated word count.

Submit your nominations before **Friday 29 January 2021.**

Completed forms should be emailed to Kathleen.Blake-Pink@Camden.gov.uk

What happens next?

- All award nominations will be judged by a panel of impartial Camden Integrated Youth Support Services (IYSS) professionals.
- The panels will pick one winner for each category.
- Award winners will be informed privately, then publicly announced on the night.

For further information, please call 020 7974 7263 or email:

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