



2011 YOUNG JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR entry details

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Entries are invited for the **Melbourne Press Club Young Journalist of the Year Award 2011**.

The award will be presented to the entrant judged to be the most outstanding young journalist during 2011. In deciding the winner, the judges will consider material printed or broadcast between **1 January 2011 and 31 December 2011**. The judges will consider how the material was conceived, the level of direction the entrant received, research and influences such as time restraints and writing.

The Melbourne Press Club Young Journalist of the Year 2011 will receive:

- \$1000 Melbourne Press Club grant
- Return travel to the United States
- Return domestic travel donated by **American Airlines**
- Attendance at the Investigative Reporters and Editors Annual Conference in Boston, Mass., USA on 14 June – 17 June 2012 and one year's international membership of **IRE**.

The Young Journalist of the Year Award is funded by the wife of David Wilson, Ms Josephine Nicholls, and the Wilnic Family trust on behalf of David Wilson. David died in August 2008. He was a Walkley-award winning investigative reporter who headed The Age *Insight* team for 10 years. He mentored many young journalists attached to the *Insight* team and was the first Australian journalist to attend the IRE conference in the United States.

The award is restricted to journalists aged 25 years or under on 31 December 2011, working in either print or electronic media. Entrants must be employed by a Victorian media organisation and working in Victoria or on specific interstate or overseas assignment for publication in Victoria (and nationally, if appropriate), or be based in Victoria reporting Victorian affairs for an interstate or international organisation. Material submitted may be a single news story or feature or a series.

Entry forms must be accompanied by four tear sheets (or photocopies) and a pdf of the published work, or DVDs or CDs.

A recent colour head shot, preferably electronic, must also be included.

Entrants must be nominated by an editorial executive at the level of chief of staff or above. A condition of the award is that the winner will take up the prize during the employer's time and will be paid the normal salary while overseas. There is no restriction on the number of young journalists who may be nominated by a publication or broadcaster

Entries close at 6pm on Friday 10 February 2012 and must be on the official entry form. The winner will be announced at the Melbourne Press Club Quill Awards for Excellence dinner at Crown Palladium on Friday 23 March 2012.

CLARIFICATION – ENTRY CONDITIONS – YOUNG JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

Please note that this category is subject to differing criteria from other Quills categories in two respects:

1. You may include in your entry in this category an item which has also been entered in another category i.e. this is an exception to the general rule that any given item can only be entered once.
2. Whereas for other categories there is a limit on the number of stories which may be submitted in each entry in the YJYA there is no such limit – you may submit a folio of work. In the interests of not overburdening our judges, though, it would be preferred if entrants could limit their portfolio to, say, a maximum of ten stories showcasing their work.



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A recent colour head shot, preferably electronic, must also be included. The judges' decision is final.

Send entries to: **Melbourne Press Club Quill Awards**

GPO Box 769
 Melbourne 3001

or deliver to: **Melbourne Press Club Quill Awards**

Minter Ellison Courier Desk
 Level 16 North Tower Rialto Building
 525 Collins St Melbourne 3000

Enquiries: Sue Henderson or Kate Edwards (03) 9614 2779

Email: entries@melbournepressclub.com

Surname		Given names			
Address					
Postcode		Telephone			
Facsimile			Email		
Employer				Date of birth	

Previous employers and dates employed

1		to
2		to
3		to

Nominated by	Position
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Employer's representative at the level of chief of staff or above

In lodging this application, the nominee and nominator acknowledge that the prize includes participation in the **IRE** Conference in Boston, Mass., USA in June 2012; that appropriate visas will be the responsibility of the award winner; and that the award winner continues to be paid by the employer during that period.

Signature (entrant)	Signature (nominator)
	Date