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Nominations open for 2013 West Australian Landcare Awards

2nd April 2013: Landcarers across the state are being encouraged to submit a nomination for the 2013 West Australian Landcare Awards.

The renowned Awards, now in their 23rd year, honour the invaluable work that is being undertaken by the Landcare community, with the winners from all State & Territory Awards going forward as finalists to the prestigious National Landcare Awards in 2014.

There are nine national categories, covering a range of environmental projects and themes, including sustainable agriculture, coastal rehabilitation and Indigenous land management. Individuals, schools, community groups and networks working to protect or restore local environments, farms, coastlines, native vegetation, bushlands, wetlands, waterways, and more, can be nominated.

His Excellency Mr Malcolm McCusker, AC CVO QC, Governor of Western Australia, a strong supporter of Landcare, and its Patron in WA for many years, encourages all Western Australians to become involved in Landcare and to nominate worthy people in their district who are engaged in Landcare activities for a Landcare Award.

He said "The Landcare Awards provide a great opportunity to promote Landcare and its important objectives, to celebrate and acknowledge committed individuals and groups who are doing such valuable work to preserve and restore the environment and to hear their inspirational stories".

Merrilyn Jones from Western Australia's North Dandalup Primary School was delighted to see the school win the Westpac Education Award in the 2012 National Landcare Awards.

"Winning the Westpac Education Award was a wonderful acknowledgement of our whole school community, and of the efforts that have ensured our Landcare focus has been maintained over the last 15 years. Acknowledgement always leads to many things - renewed interest at a state, school and community level. The sharing process, when you gather high quality ideas and energies together, is invaluable, and being able to present our model which has longevity and a high degree of effectiveness, gives young people a sense of great hope for their future. What else could we wish for? That's what Landcare is about," she said.

To submit a nomination, or to read about the categories, criteria and closing dates, please visit www.landcareonline.com.au/2013-state-territory-landcare-awards/wa.

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