

Volunteer Awards 2017

The Annual IWA Volunteer Awards recognise the important contribution of our dedicated network of volunteers in supporting our members to have an enhanced quality of life.

In 2017 IWA members, service users, staff, supporters, friends and family have an opportunity to show their appreciation for all that our registered volunteers contribute to IWA and to recognise those individuals or groups who give their time freely to benefit their local community.

If you would like to nominate a volunteer in one of the below categories, please complete and return the nomination form overleaf or complete online at www.iwa.ie/awards

1 IWA BRANCH of the Year

The Association has a network of 32 voluntary branches throughout Ireland consisting of volunteers and members who organise a range of social activities, outings and holidays for the enjoyment of members of all ages. They also fundraise to support these activities and other services of the Association.

2 IWA SERVICE Volunteer of the Year

IWA volunteers support the work of the Association by sharing their generous availability, skills and talents working in IWA services such as a Resource and Outreach Centres, Holiday Centres, Motoring Service, Administration and Fundraising etc.

3 IWA YOUNG Volunteer of the Year

IWA is supported by young people, 18-30 years of age from local communities throughout Ireland and wishes to acknowledge their contribution to the lives of its members through their work in a variety of IWA services and fundraising initiatives.

4 IWA STAFF Volunteer of the Year

IWA has over 2,300 staff members across Ireland who volunteer their free time to support IWA members to access the community through trips, activities and programmes.

5 IWA Lifetime Achievement Award

IWA was founded in 1960 by a small group of wheelchair users committed to improving the lives of people with physical disabilities in Ireland. The Association has grown from strength to strength over the years providing quality services to its members. The development of the Association has been supported by volunteers who have dedicated significant time, skills and talents over many years. Please note that this award applies to individual volunteers only.

6 IWA Corporate Volunteer of the Year

IWA is supported locally and nationally by organisations and businesses of all sizes that volunteer their staff, time or benefit in kind. Their contribution supports opportunities for members to live independently and enjoy an enhanced quality of life. (Please note that this is not an award for financial donations).

Overall IWA Volunteer of the Year 2017

The judging panel will select the Overall IWA Volunteer of the Year from categories 2-4 above.

ABOUT THE AWARDS:

Award presentations will be made at the IWA Annual Volunteer Awards Dinner at the IWA's AGM and Conference, which takes place in **The INEC, Killarney, Co. Kerry** on **Saturday 13th May 2017**. Category winners will be informed in advance and the Overall IWA Volunteer of the Year will be announced on the night.

Nominations can be submitted by IWA members, service users, staff, volunteers, friends and family members.

Please complete the nomination form available overleaf or nominate online by visiting www.iwa.ie/awards

Further information, terms and conditions are also available online.

Closing date for nominations is 5pm, Thursday 13th April, 2017

Your Details

Full name

You are a: (please tick ✓)

Member Volunteer Friend Family Member

Service user

Your relationship to nominee

Staff member

Your Address

Your Telephone Number

Email Address

Category

Which of the following award categories are you nominating this person/branch/business for:

(Please tick ✓ *one only*)

Note: Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and Terms and Conditions are available at www.iwa.ie/awards

IWA Branch of the Year

IWA Service Volunteer of the Year

ie. ROCs, ALS, Holiday Services, Administration, etc

IWA Young Volunteer of the Year (18-30 years)

IWA Staff Volunteer of the Year

IWA Lifetime Achievement Award

IWA Corporate Volunteer of the Year

Details of the person, branch or business you are nominating

Name of person/branch/business you are nominating

Name of contact person for branch/business

Their Address

Their contact number

How long is this nominee volunteering with IWA?

Please detail the frequency of their volunteering

(If the nominee volunteered with the Association on a once-off occasion for an event or campaign, please specify)

Where does this nominee volunteer with IWA?

