

LUMINARY AWARD ENTRY GUIDE 2026 AUCKLAND AWARDS

The Luminary Award recognises a member of the Engineering New Zealand Auckland Branch who has attained eminence amongst their peers as a leader and an inspiration to others. Their respect has been earned through selfless contribution to the engineering profession, and the promotion of Engineering New Zealand Te Ao Rangahau in the Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland region.

Judging criteria

Entries for this award should demonstrate nominee achievements relating to:

- Active promotion of Engineering New Zealand within the Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland region: they go out of their way to encourage others to attend events, engage with the Auckland engineering community, interact with the Branch Committee, and bring new inspiration to the Branch.
- Contribution to development and growth of engineering in Auckland in 2024 or 2025: the nominee advocates for the profession and for the Auckland Branch among the public and their peers. They strive to strengthen the profession locally and improve the lives of New Zealanders.
- Embodiment of ethical principles: the nominee acts with integrity and embodies the principles of the Engineering New Zealand Code of Ethical Conduct in their work.

Award details

- Only one Luminary Award will be awarded.
- All finalists will receive a certificate acknowledging their achievement.
- The nominator and nominee/s accept that the judges' decisions are final and that no correspondence will be entered into.

Eligibility

- Nominees must be located in Auckland, and must be current members of Engineering New Zealand.
- Entries must include the details of two sponsors, both with a supporting statement. For entries on another's behalf, the nominator will be treated as the first sponsor (ie only one further sponsor is required). Both sponsors must be current members of Engineering New Zealand's Auckland Branch.
- Nominees must not have received the Luminary Award previously.

Entries

- Entries open on Friday 14 November 2025
- An entry for this award comprises:
 - A completed nomination form – closes on Friday 30 January 2026, and
 - A completed entry form – closes on Friday 27 February 2026
- Nomination forms are completed online. Visit the [Auckland Awards website](#) for more information.
- Entry forms should be emailed to the [Engineering New Zealand Auckland Branch](#) before the closing date.
- The awards will be presented on Friday 15 May at the 2026 Auckland Awards.