

Terms & Conditions

All entries must have been published, broadcast or televised in Australia from **April 27, 2020, to April 26, 2021**. Eligibility for the *Humanitarian Storytelling Award* is based on independent acts of journalism, free from any commercial or corporate interests.

All entrants must certify that their entry, apart from normal sub editorial/production treatment, is their original work and that they have adhered to the [MEAA Code of Ethics](#) in the work preparation, undertake to continue to abide by the Code of Ethics and have complied with all copyright requirements.

All entrants must be:

- Australian citizens, permanent residents or journalists residing in Australia working for an Australian media outlet on a work visa.
- Australian citizens working for international news outlets whose work is available to an Australian audience.
- Entry is open to Australian journalists who have self-published, including blogs.
- Self-published entrants should provide relevant URL links and where possible, verification of the work's authenticity. If the entrant is verifying their own work, they must make this clear in their supporting statement.
- All entries must declare any legal complaints, defamation actions, contempt of court actions, suppression orders, challenges to the accuracy, corrections or claims of plagiarism, relevant to the work at the time of entry.
- Entrants must declare if the creation of the work involved payment for information or an interview.
- Books are not eligible to be entered into the Humanitarian Storytelling Award. These should be entered into the [Walkley Book Award](#).
- Each entrant may enter only once **the exception is with joint, group or team entries**. In this instance, you may submit up to two entries. That is **one single entry and one joint or team entry, or two joint or team entries (teams must be different)**.
- **Joint or group entries** may include up to five names, with one person nominated as the primary contact.
- **Team entries** may include any number of people with the name of the team clearly stated. One person will be the primary contact for this entry, but all names, positions and membership details should be submitted on a separate piece of paper attached to the numbered entry form when submitted with the entry.
- Entry is free for members of MEAA. **The cost of entering the award for non-members is \$50 including GST**. Inquiries about MEAA membership please contact members@meaa.org for further details.
- To facilitate easy access for judging, **entrants should place URLs outside any paywall**. If that proves infeasible, the entry should provide a username and password for judges, plainly indicated in the supporting statement.
- Judges have the right to reject an entry which in their opinion does not comply with the requirements of the competition. The judges' decision will be final. The Walkley Judging Board reserves the right to withdraw an award if it later finds the entrant did not comply with the entry conditions.

- The entrant acknowledges that the Walkley Foundation may reproduce, broadcast and communicate materials submitted for the purpose of promoting the award, conducting the presentation ceremony and making the finalist and winner entries available to the public and agrees and warrants that the Foundation may use the material for these purposes.