# NZ BOOK INDUSTRY AWARDS 2024

# AWARD INFORMATION SALES PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

#### Who should enter

New Zealand-based sales professionals working in the book publishing industry.

**Note:** This award is **not** limited to sales reps/account managers; nominees may be field-based or work as part of an in-house team either actively selling or supporting Sales roles.

#### Criteria

The judges are looking for an exceptional sales person whose work shows evidence of the following (weightings are in brackets):

- Performance at a high level; delivery of high-level support (sell-in, backlist maintenance, follow-up, customer-tailored solutions, etc.) resulting in profitable sales for their customers (50%);
- A positive impact on the book industry, their customers, publishers and/or agencies, through their knowledge, passion and active involvement in the industry (25%);
- Excellent working relationships (25%)

## What to submit

- A completed entry form.
- In the form the nominee will be asked to concisely outline the reasons for this nomination, with specific reference to the above criteria and to the **impact** the nominee and their work has had. Note: examples must be from 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024.
- Some of the things you could include are:
  - Details of the nominee's performance, for example outperforming budget expectations, successful stock management and strong communication skills.
  - Examples of how the nominee has made a contribution and/or difference to their customers, publishers and/or agencies.
  - o Written testimonials from customers and colleagues.

# **Entry fee**

There is no entry fee for this category for members of PANZ or Booksellers NZ. Non-members may enter for a fee of \$100 (+GST).

### The prize

The winner will be presented with a certificate at the Awards Dinner on Saturday 3 August 2024. Winners may be called on to do media interviews in the weeks following the Awards to talk about their win (and to promote New Zealand book industry generally).

#### How to enter

Nominations can be made by anyone involved in the NZ bookselling or publishing industry.

Complete the online form by 10am on Friday 31 May 2024.



