1. INTRODUCTION

Gauteng Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation, has created the Sport Awards Gauteng brand, in a bid to reward the Province’s sports stars for their efforts in keeping the passion of sport alive in the hearts of millions of South Africans through their efforts in local and international sports events.

The main aim is to recognise and honour individuals and teams who have excelled both on and off the field on an annual basis which will culminate to the National Awards. For the 2018 Awards, the period to be considered is between: 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018.

The following categories will be considered for the 2018 awards:

1. Sportsman of the Year
2. Sportswoman of the Year
3. Sport Team of the Year
4. Disabled Sportswoman of the Year
5. Disabled Sportsman of the Year
6. Disabled Sports Team of the Year
7. Most promising athlete of the year
8. School sport athlete of the year : New Category
9. Most promising team of the year
10. Community based sport and recreation programme of the year: New Category
11. Coach of the Year
12. Technical Official of Year
13. Administrator of the Year
14. Sport Fan of the year
15. Sport Journalist of the year
   • This includes print media, radio and television
16. Sport Programme of the year
17. Community Media of the year (print, radio and television) New Category
18. Lifetime Achievement award
19. Sport Personality of the Year
2. NOMINATION PROCESS

2.1. Secretariat

For these annual awards to be successful there need to be a secretariat in place that will be responsible for the planning of the nomination and adjudication processes, planning of meetings, keeping minutes and keeping record.

2.2. Independent Auditing firm

An auditing company will be appointed that will work in partnership with the panel of adjudicators and the Awards secretariat.

2.3. Nomination Procedure

Nominations for the awards are unlimited in number; therefore the Gauteng Sports Federations, clubs, Sport Confederations and the public may nominate as many sport persons, teams and media as they wish for any of the respective award categories.

2.4. Duration Nomination Process

The nomination process to be opened for the period starting from 07 June 2018 to allow enough time for the nomination process and public participation, with the closing date for nomination being the 07th July 2017.

2.5. Valid Nomination Forms

Only nominations submitted on valid Nomination Forms will be accepted. (Template of Nomination Forms attached as Annexure B).

The following is recommended to be attached to the Nomination form:

- A detailed CV of the person or teams being nominated can be attached
- Photos

2.6. Deadline for Nominations

The deadline date for nominations is 16h00 on the 07th July 2018.
3. PROCESS TIMELINES

STEP 1: VERIFICATION AND CATEGORISING – The Secretariat and the Auditors will verify and record all submitted nominations in preparation for the adjudication process.

STEP 2: FINALISTS ADJUDICATION – The Panel will determine the process to be followed in finalising and short listing of finalists in all relevant categories. The adjudication process will be concluded by ...... August 2017.

STEP 3: ADJUDICATION OF WINNERS – Names of finalists in all relevant categories will be publicly announced by the end of July 2018, including the sms/ website public voting line for the Sport Personality, Sports Fan, and Community Media of the Year and Sports Programme of the year. The public will vote for their winner of the Sport Personality, Sports Fan, Community Media and Sports Programme of the year categories, via an SMS voting line and DSACR website. Voting will take place from 1 August 2018 to the 2 September 2018.

STEP 4: ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS – The results will once again be verified by the auditors and the winners will be announced at the Gauteng Sports Awards Ceremony on Sunday, 2nd September 2018.
Nominee must be a Gauteng resident/citizen (including migrant)
Period to be considered is between 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018
Nominees (athletes, coaches and technical officials) must be a registered member of a Gauteng sporting organization for the specified time of consideration.
Nominations will only be accepted on the official nomination forms (Annexure B)
Nominations forms to be accompanied by extra supporting documentation (Profiles, Testimonial, Photos, etc.), for an added advantage.
No nominations will be accepted after the closing date (7th July 2018 at 16h00)
Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words
4. Award Categories Description

Gauteng Sport Awards

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| Sportsman of the Year                             | This is awarded to the sportswoman/sportsman/team representing any of the sporting codes in the province. This person/team that has displayed a world-class performance at sports events or continually set world-class standards in their code during the year in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018) | • An individual and/or a national team for achievement in sport of the highest national or international order. This shall include the improvement of an existing world record or the winning of a world championship title in an established prestige sport or equivalent achievement  
  • Participation at competitive (elite) level  
  • Excellence, commitment and consistency  
  • Progression in terms of the representation  
  • Good cond uct: Role model - exemplary to other the rising stars (Local, regional, provincial, National and international)  
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<p>| Sportswoman of the Year                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Year Sports Team of the Year                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Disabled Sportswoman of the Year                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Year Disabled Sportsman of the Year               |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Year Disabled Sports Team of the Year             |                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                         |</p>
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| Most Promising Athlete of the Year | Most Promising Sports Athlete of the Year is awarded newly identified individual (male/female/with disability **under 23**) that show potential in terms of performance and participation in the prestigious sport championship in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). The individual must have displayed performance of the highest standard which suggests that he/she will be a super star of the future. This category will be biased to amateur sport level Candidates for this award will be nominated by Gauteng Sport Federations, clubs and the public. The Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists and the eventual winner. | • newly identified individual (male/female/with disability)/ or a team that show potential in terms of performance and participation in the prestigious sport championships  
• Consistency and commitment  
• An individual and/ or a team for achievement and participation in sport. This shall include the improvement of winning record or the winning of a championship title in an established prestige sport or equivalent achievement  
• Competitiveness and striving for Excellence  
An individual and or a team that almost came close to meeting the gold criteria **Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words** |
<p>| Most Promising Team of the Year    | Most Promising Team of the Year is awarded newly identified team that shows potential in terms of performance and participation in the prestigious sport championship in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). The team must have displayed performance of the highest standard. |                                                                                                                                                                                                        |</p>
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|                                  | standard. This category will be biased to amateur sport level Candidates for this award will be nominated by Gauteng Sport Federations, clubs and the public. The Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists and the eventual winner. | • Shows Consistency and commitment  
• An individual for achievement and participation in sport. This shall include the improvement of a winning record or the winning of a championship title during the school sport championships.  
• Competitiveness and striving for Excellence.  
**Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words** |
<p>| School Sport Athlete of the Year | School Sport Athletes of the Year is awarded newly identified individual (male/ female/ with disability) that show potential in terms of performance and participation in the prestigious sport championship in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). The individual must have displayed performance of the highest standard which suggests that he/she will be a super star of the future. Candidates for this award will be nominated by the School Sport Structure in the Province (Code Structure and/ or the Gauteng School Sport Structure) and the public. The Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists and the eventual winner. |</p>
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<td>Community Sport and Recreation</td>
<td>This will be awarded to a community based sport and/ or recreation programme that is implemented at a community level (grass roots level). This programme can be implemented by a federation, NGO/ NPO/ CBO or the local sport council. This is not for a once off event in a community, but must show continuous development programmes that are being implemented in that specific community.</td>
<td>• Consistency and commitment in the development of sport and/ or recreation in a community.</td>
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<td>Coach of the Year</td>
<td>Coach of the Year is awarded to either a male or female coach who applies his trade in Gauteng/S.A. or abroad either with a team or sport person. This coach is someone who has produced world-class results internationally or sets the benchmark regarding results in the local sports arena in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). Candidates for this award will be nominated by Gauteng Sports Federations and the sport councils. The Voting Panel will decide.</td>
<td>• Successful - An individual male or female who had a great season in 2016, producing incredible results</td>
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<td>• Consistency - winning league games/ competitions on a regular basis</td>
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<td>• Role model - exemplary to other coaches, especially the rising stars</td>
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<td>• Ambassador - a great ambassador of the Gauteng province, not hogging headlines for wrong reasons</td>
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<td>• Transformer - committed to transformation</td>
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| Technical Official of Year  | Referees/umpires/technical officials, who have through their sustainable high standards of officiating, rendered services at a national/international level in the year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018) | • Selected at competitive level  
• Excellence, commitment and consistency  
• Honor and integrity  
• Progression in terms of the representation (Local, regional, provincial, National and international)  
• Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words |
| Administrator of the Year   | Administrators who have through their sustainable high standards of administrating, rendered services at a national/international level in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018) | • Key achievement of the official/administrator for the year in the province and nationally and  
• /or internationally  
• Community service beyond coaching responsibilities in the club/federation to increase the participation base, especially in disadvantaged communities  
• Level of officiating/administration/coaching (e.g. club/provincial/national/international)  
• Improvement over the past year |
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| Sports Personality of the Year Votes per SMS Line | Personality of the Year is awarded to someone who has contributed to sport and made the experience of that sport during the period better for the millions who support it in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). This person should preferably be athlete. | • Support provided to emerging officials/ administrators  
• Role model  
• Consistency, commitment and dedication in serving sport in various ways  
• Proven positive influence to the youth/ or community  
|                                               | Candidates for this award will be nominated by Gauteng Sports Federations, clubs and public. The Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists and the public will vote through a sms/ website system to determine winner. |
|                                               |                                                                                                 | **Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words** |
| Sport Fan of the Year Votes per SMS Line       | Sport Fan of the Year is awarded to an individual or a fan club (supporters) who has enthusiastically supported an athlete, club or a sport code in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018). | • Consistency, commitment and dedication in serving the Club or code of Sport in various ways  
• Promote fair play  
• Ways of supporting the athlete, club or code of sport.  
<p>|                                               | Candidates for this award will be                                                                 | <strong>Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words</strong> |</p>
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| Sports Journalist of the year    | Sports journalist of the year is an awarded to a journalist (print/broadcast/web) who has shown passion in terms of covering both developmental and professional sports activities. The aim of the awards is to reinforce the importance of the media’s role in South Africa’s sporting development and to recognise and reward talent across all sporting media disciplines in the past year (from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017) | Focus on developmental stories:  
• Educational stories – the stories must help in terms of educating the community to know the programmes of the department/sports in Gauteng.  
• Such stories must also help create more role models in the community from rags to riches to influence up and coming stars  
  
  Responsible reporting  
(Research, Analytical and critical)  
• Accurate and critical reporting – well researched stories about the department/ sports in Gauteng, balanced (give both side of the story) and confront issues where possible  
• Consistent – The journalist must be addicted to sports development in Gauteng, also help profile rising/ successful athletes and administrators in the province  
• Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words |
<p>| nominated by Gauteng Sports      | Candidate will be nominated by Gauteng Sports Federations, clubs, public, the media houses and the Department. Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists and the eventual winner                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Federations, clubs, public and   |                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| the fans.                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Community Media of the Year Votes by SMS       | Community Media of the year is awarded to the media (print, radio or television) based in a community and has shown passion in terms of covering sport and recreation programmes and activities in that particular community. The aim of the awards is to reinforce the importance of the Community media’s role in Gauteng’s sporting development and to recognise and reward talent across all sporting media disciplines in the past year (from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018) Community media Candidate will be nominated by Gauteng Sports Federations, clubs, public, the media houses and the Department. Voting Panel will decide on the shortlist of a maximum of 3 finalists. The winner will be decided via SMS line. Which is based in the Community Indicates what sport and recreation programmes have been covered. Send samples of the work done | • Journalist  
• Print  
• Radio  
• Television  
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| Lifetime Achievement award                     | The Lifetime Achievement award is awarded to the man or woman who over time has dedicated their life to make a difference in Sport in the Province. This person could be involved in any facet of sport, either as an athlete, an administrator  | • Role model – influential to other community members (people in Gauteng looking up to him/she)  
• Successful in sports despite all the challenges (she/he before ascending the podium)  
Promote Gauteng – ambassadors of the |
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|            | or in management. This category is not for public nomination, the Gauteng MEC of Sport Arts, Culture and Recreation determines the winner. | province throughout South Africa and across the globe  
• Hands-On approach – contribute to the success/growth of sports in Gauteng province, either as a coach, administrator or an athlete  
• Please note that nomination forms will be disqualified if the motivation per criteria exceeds 250 words |

4.3. Contact Sport Awards team for Nomination enquiries and submissions

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