

KEVIN ABRAMS MEDAL

Nomination and Election Procedure

Established in 2024, in recognition of the very significant contribution made to the Institute by CIA Life Member, the late Kevin Abrams. Kevin was a Councillor of the Institute for 26 years, and NSW committee member for 34 years, and continued to serve the Institute with the same passion and enthusiasm until his untimely passing. Kevin had a wonderful way of embracing our history with a view to the future, balancing experience with change, and bringing together the old with the new. There was no-one who embodied the essence of the Concrete Institute of Australia more.

Nominations for Kevin Abrams Medal may be made at any time, but only those received by 30 April in the year of the Biennial Conference (or at least six months prior to the Conference) will be considered for the Award at the Conference. No more than one Kevin Abrams Medal may be awarded in any two-year cycle.

Nominations may be submitted electronically by any of the following:

- National President of Concrete Institute of Australia
- Council of Concrete Institute of Australia (approved and signed by the Chair)
- A CIA State Committee (approved and signed by the Chair)
- Any three financial members of the Institute together
- The Honours and Awards Nominating Committee (approved and signed by the Chair)

Nominations are then reviewed by the Nominating Committee which is appointed by Council. Following the review the Nominating Committee makes its recommendations to Council as to which nomination should be granted the Kevin Abrams Medal. Council makes its final decision based on these recommendations.

It is desirable that nominees are not informed of their nomination, in order to avoid disappointment if the nomination is not successful.

Criteria

The Kevin Abrams Medal is open to any Concrete Institute of Australia individual member who has made a significant contribution to the Institute's activities – technical, administrative, and/or other form of service – and embodying the spirit of Kevin Abrams with their work and contribution to the Institute.

The following criteria are to be used in assessing nominations for the **Kevin Abrams Medal**.

- This award is made to an individual Institute member who has made a significant contribution to the Institute's activities – technical, administrative, and/or other form of service.
- The basis for selection is outstanding activity or service that has enhanced the Institute's mission and vision, showing leadership and initiative in technical, administrative, representation, or other distinguished service to the Institute.



- The nominee should be someone who embodies the spirit of Kevin Abrams with their work and contribution to the Institute.
- The data above should be supported by a detailed submission that outlines how the nominee has met the criteria, helping the Institute and the industry achieve excellence in concrete.

Except under unusual circumstances, Honorary and Life members, Past National Presidents, and current Councillors and Directors are not considered for this award.

Submission

Submissions for nominations for the CIA Kevin Abrams Medal must be completed using the appropriate electronic form. **Note – It is important that all fields are entered correctly with all the appropriate detail to ensure that the nominee’s credentials are able to be considered fully by the Nominating Committee**

The submission details must include supporting material including:

- Nominees full name, address, and contact information.
- Nominees current company, position and contact information (if still working).
- Nominating person/committee (and name/position of the Chair if required).
- Nominees’ history with the CIA and in the concrete industry.
- Specific information relating to how the nominee has fulfilled the criteria outlining how they embody the spirit of Kevin Abrams with their work and contribution to the Institute, providing reference and details.
- The data above should be supported by a detailed submission that outlines how the nominee has provided a notable and significant contribution towards the Institute and to the concrete industry.

An electronic copy may be submitted via email to:

The Secretary
Honours and Awards Nominating Committee
Concrete Institute of Australia
exec@concreteinstitute.com.au

Presentation

Recipients of the Kevin Abrams Medal will be informed in the first instance of their award by the National President.

The Kevin Abrams Medal will then be officially presented to the recipient at the Institute’s Biennial Conference. Recipients of the Award will receive a framed certificate and a medallion certifying the granting of the Award.

