

## **REINSW 2020 Awards for Excellence finalists announced**

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The Real Estate Institute of New South Wales (REINSW) has announced the finalists for its annual Awards for Excellence.

Now into its third decade, the Awards for Excellence is the most prestigious and respected industry awards in NSW and recognises the best, bravest and brightest work across the industry.

REINSW President, Leanne Pilkington, says this year the Awards for Excellence is bigger than ever despite the COVID-19 pandemic which brought the industry's usual working practices to a virtual standstill.

"We have been astonished by the number of entrants into the Awards for Excellence this year. We received the highest number of entries ever which is even more gratifying as entrants were also simultaneously dealing with the fallout from the COVID-19 pandemic," says Ms Pilkington.

"The Awards for Excellence is an opportunity to highlight our industry's greatest successes and most outstanding achievements. It offers much-deserved recognition for the agents who work tirelessly in their profession and for their communities."

This year there are 11 agency categories and 12 individual categories. We're excited that a new Business Development Manager category has been created and is included in this year's program. We are also proud to announce that the Residential Property Manager's Award has been renamed to the Tim Anderson OAM Residential Property Manager Award - a fitting honour indeed for a much-loved member of REINSW.

"As the industry evolves, new scopes of practice emerge," says Pilkington. "As the leading awards program for real estate in NSW, we aim to continually evaluate and improve our categories and processes."

Pilkington says finalists should be proud of their achievement.

"Being named a finalist in the Awards for Excellence is a great honour," she says. "Finalists should share their success proudly as it is validation of a job well done."

The Awards for Excellence Gala Dinner is scheduled for 30 October 2020. There will be information released about ticket purchases during the next few weeks.

You can keep up to date with the latest information about the Awards for Excellence by visiting [reinswawards.com.au](https://reinswawards.com.au).

## **2020 REINSW Awards for Excellence finalists**

### **Achievement**

Jayden Hurvitz – One Buyers Agency  
Kristy-Elizabeth Parker – Kitty & Miles  
Dylan Wooden – Raine & Horne Wagga Wagga

### **Auctioneer**

Clarence White – Menck White Auctioneers  
Briannan Davis – Cooley Auction  
Jake Downs - AuctionWorks  
Leon Axford – Starr Partners (Blacktown)

### **Buyer's Agent**

Amanda Gould – HighSpec Properties  
Sebastian James – Hunter James  
Rich Harvey – Propertybuyer  
Claire Corby – Capital Buyers Agency  
Lloyd Edge – Aus Property Professionals  
Simone Luxford – Essential Property Wealth Pty Ltd  
Ramon Mitchell – Gault & Co Property Advisory

### **Business Development Manager**

Adam Freitas – Raine & Horne Newtown  
Madeline Freemantle – Leah Jay  
Blake Mariner – Highland Property Agents  
Darnell Haselau – Stone Real Estate Illawarra  
Peter Carter – River Realty

### **Commercial Salesperson**

Joshua Crealy – Highland Property Agents  
Si An Hu– Savills  
John Micallef – CBRE  
Alex Mirzaian – CBRE  
Miron Solomons – Colliers International

### **Commercial Property Manager**

Kaila Conklin – CBRE  
Aaron Gaida – CI Australia  
Josie Hodgson – Colliers International  
Melissa Karapalevski – Colliers International

### **John Greig OAM Community Service**

Ricky Briggs – Advantage Property Group  
Kylie Walsh – Di Jones Real Estate  
Neil Webster – Stone Real Estate Illawarra  
Braden Walters – Belle Property Byron Bay/Lennox Head

### **Operational Leadership**

Larissa Bridge – LJ Hooker Warners Bay  
Darin Butcher – Wiseberry Heritage  
Mandy Wurth – River Realty  
Anna Egri – Di Jones Real Estate  
Craig Sewell – Mint360Property  
Troy Pinder – McGrath Sawtell

### **Operational Support**

Tyler-Marie Leach – Morton Real Estate  
Caitlin Ellis – Di Jones Real Estate  
Annette Sommerville – McGrath Sawtell  
Michelle Derderyan – Propertybuyer

### **Property Marketer**

Braden Walters – Belle Property Byron Bay/Lennox Head  
Adrian Wilson – Ayre Real Estate  
Mechlenne Douaihy – Merc Real Estate  
Jordan Lee – Savills

### **Tim Anderson OAM Residential Property Manager**

Holly Ekert – Leah Jay  
Catherine Kaye – Stone Real Estate Illawarra  
Elise Thomas – McGrath Central Coast  
Maria Eveleigh – Richardson & Wrench Hurlstone Park  
Hannah Tatam – Warwick Williams Real Estate  
Edwina Smith – Signature Properties Mudgee

### **Residential Salesperson**

David Highland – Highland Properties  
Mechlenne Douaihy – Merc Real Estate  
Cathy Baker – Belle Property Killcare | Central Coast  
Samuel Shooter – SJ Shooter Real Estate  
Betty Ockerlander – McGrath Estate Agents  
Chris Henry – River Realty

### **Rural Marketer**

Jamie Inglis – Inglis Rural Property  
Daniel McCulloch – McCulloch Agencies

### **Buyers' Agency**

Propertybuyer  
BuyEast  
House Search Australia  
Aus Property Professionals

### **Commercial Agency – Large**

CBRE  
Savills  
CI Australia  
Colliers International

### **Commercial Agency – Small**

Ray White Commercial (NSW-Western Sydney)  
LJ Hooker Commercial South Sydney Inner West  
Highland Property Agents  
Your Commercial Property Specialist

### **Communication**

Di Jones Real Estate  
BuyEast  
One Buyers Agency

**Innovation**

Di Jones Real Estate  
Raine & Horne Terrigal | Avoca Beach  
Ayre Real Estate  
One Buyers Agency

**Real Estate Agency – Large**

Highland Property Agents  
Morton Real Estate  
Di Jones Real Estate  
McGrath Coffs Harbour | Nambucca Heads | Sawtell  
River Realty

**Real Estate Agency – Medium**

Molenaar + McNeice  
Warburton Estate Agents  
Biller Property

**Real Estate Agency – Small**

Ayre Real Estate  
SJ Shooter Real Estate  
First National O'Meara Kennedy Real Estate  
Merc Real Estate  
My Agent Team

**Residential Property Management Team**

Raine & Horne Newtown  
Wiseberry Heritage  
Century 21 Novocastrian (Newcastle) Property Management  
PRD Real Estate Port Stephens

**Residential Sales Team**

Morton Real Estate  
First National Newcastle City  
Green St Property Sales  
First National Coast & Country  
River Realty

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**About REINSW**

The Real Estate Institute of New South Wales (REINSW) is the peak industry body for real estate agents and property professionals in NSW. It represents more than 2000 agencies across residential sales, property management, commercial, strata management, buyers' agency, agency services and auctioneering.

Established in 1910, REINSW works to improve the standards, professionalism and expertise of its members to continually evolve and innovate the industry. It lobbies the government and industry on behalf of members, develops new products and services to benefit agencies and professionals, and offers training and ongoing professional development. For more information, visit [reinsw.com.au](http://reinsw.com.au).