



## **ABOUT THE INAUGURAL SOUTH AFRICAN MIGRANTS AWARDS**

Demonstrating its commitment to building a unified, inclusive and caring South African society, the Department of Home Affairs presents the inaugural **SOUTH AFRICAN MIGRANTS AWARDS** during Africa Month.

The objectives of these awards include honouring and recognising outstanding migrants, residing in South Africa, who make an immense contribution to South Africa's development in their various fields of expertise. The awards also acknowledge and celebrate South Africans who live beyond our country's borders, contributing to the development of the African continent through their work in areas of need, all across the globe.

Hosting the **SOUTH AFRICAN MIGRANTS AWARDS** annually will also better improve the integration of migrants and foreign nationals within South African communities. This initiative is one of the key enablers for tolerance, social cohesion and integration in South Africa, while making a significant contribution to building a culture of African unity.

## **CATEGORIES**

The South African public is encouraged to make a significant contribution towards creating a better society and building a united Africa by nominating a South African migrant who has made an impactful difference in their field of expertise, in 1 of the below 6 categories:

- **ARTS AND CULTURE**
- **BUSINESS**
- **CIVIL SOCIETY AND NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATION**
- **SPORT**
- **OR TAMBO**
- **MOST INTEGRATED COMMUNITY**



## **ARTS AND CULTURE**

This award honours an individual who has made a significant contribution to the area of Arts and Culture in South Africa, promoting unity, tolerance, integration, and inspires progressive dialogue that enhances social cohesion.

## **BUSINESS**

This category celebrates an individual whose business is aligned to the South African National Development Plan and encompasses the key focus areas of Economic development and Job creation.

## **CIVIL SOCIETY/ NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATION**

This category honours an individual who works in civil society to advance the development of fellow migrants, thus contributing to a united and developmental South Africa.

## **SPORT**

This category celebrates an individual who has impactfully used their role in Sport to unify communities and significantly contribute to nation building.

## **OR TAMBO**

The category honours the prominent role of a distinguished South African working beyond the borders of the country to provide aid, particularly in areas of need, strife and during times of crisis and disasters, embodying the spirit of Ubuntu.

## **MOST INTEGRATED COMMUNITY**

This category honours communities or individuals who spearhead initiatives that demonstrate the Spirit of Ubuntu towards migrants and foreign nationals by actively promoting tolerance, integration, unity and social cohesion.



## NOMINATION PROCESS

To nominate, individuals are encouraged to send the following details to

**SAmigrantawards@dha.gov.za :**

1. Nominator's Name and Surname
2. Nominator's Email Address
3. The Nomination Category
4. The Name and Surname of the Nominee
5. The Reasons Why the Nominee should be considered as a Category Winner

*(In not more than 250 words, include how the Nominee has demonstrated meeting and exceeding category requirements)*

## SELECTION PROCESS

Nominations close on 20 May 2015 and the winners will be selected by an esteemed panel thereafter.

## WINNERS

There will be only one winner per category for the inaugural SOUTH AFRICAN MIGRANTS AWARDS. The 6 winners will be announced during a recognition ceremony on Africa Day, Monday 25 May 2015. Each of the 6 category winners will nominate a charity of their choice to receive a cash prize of R100 000 as part of building an integrated, unified and caring South African society.

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