RANGER EXCELLENCE CELEBRATED WITH AWARDS

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The hard work of Territory rangers will be celebrated this year through the Northern Territory Ranger Awards, with nominations now open.

Minister for Parks and Wildlife, Bess Price, said the awards celebrate all rangers working in the NT, including apprentices and non-government rangers.

“Our rangers work in tough, challenging environments to make our parks safer and preserve the environment for future Territorians,” Mrs Price said.

“The tasks rangers do on a daily basis are often dirty and dangerous and we want to thank them for working hard to make our parks so wonderful.

“Being a ranger is the type of job that can be thankless. They do everything from picking up glass, catching crocodiles, providing first aid to tourists and feral animal management.

“These awards recognise the outstanding service rangers provide the public with every day.

“This is your chance to nominate a ranger to say thank you for the exceptional job they do so we can all enjoy our beautiful parks.

“Nominees will have demonstrated outstanding qualities in their chosen area of work, and commitment to the management of natural and cultural resources.

“The selection panel will look for examples of leadership, professionalism, outcomes and commitment to Northern Territory parks.

Nominations are open in the following categories:

- Minister’s Award for Outstanding Personal Achievement
- Minister’s Award for Outstanding Team Achievement
- Development and Training Award
- Ranger of the year (regions)
- People’s Choice Award.
- Tour Operators Choice Award

Nominations close Monday June 30 and can be made in a variety of ways including submitting the selection form, creating an audio or video file and mailing it in, or by email. Online nominations can be made at www.parksandwildlife.nt.gov.au

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