

**Ecumenical and Inter-faith
Award 2017
Nomination Form**

Name

Address

Phone

Email

Congregation

Please forward a description of the ecumenical and inter-faith initiative (maximum 500 words). We would prefer entries to be submitted electronically, but these can be supported by additional material in hard copy (photos, video footage or other presentation etc).

Please return to:

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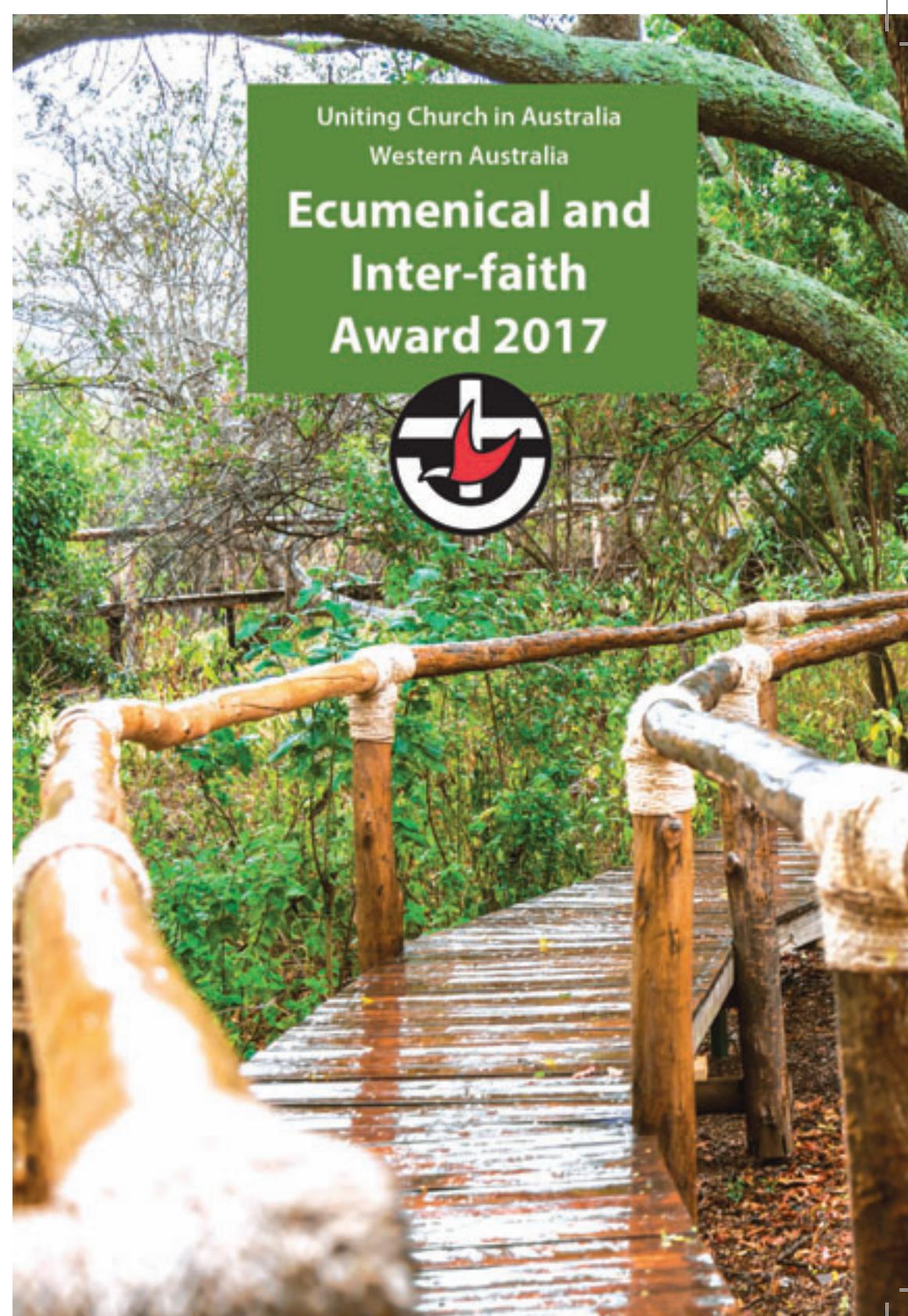
or

Convener, Ecumenical Affairs Committee
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By 31 July 2017

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Ecumenical and Inter-faith Award 2017

The Uniting Church in Australia lives and works within the faith and unity of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. The Uniting Church in Australia recognises that it is related to other churches in ways that give expression, however partially, to that unity in faith and mission. (*Basis of Union 2*).

The Uniting Church in Australia emphasises the centrality of churches working together as part of the recognition that God's church is one. We celebrate the gift given to us in Christ and accept the responsibility to work with others in unity, so that the world may believe.

We also recognise that we journey with people of other faiths in our quest for peace and reconciliation.

In order to recognise and celebrate ecumenical developments and inter-faith projects, an annual Ecumenical and Inter-faith Award is presented at Synod.

The Ecumenical Affairs Committee intends this award to encourage and inspire the Uniting Church WA to consider how any initiative might be enhanced by working with other denominations or faiths.

In 2017, an award of \$500 will be given to an ecumenical or inter-faith project or event initiated by a local Uniting Church member, congregation, faith community, school or agency.

Completed entries are due by 31 July. The Ecumenical Affairs Committee would prefer entries to be submitted electronically but these can be supported by additional material in hard copy. The description should be no longer than 500 words.

Assessment will be made by a panel including the Moderator and members appointed by the Ecumenical Affairs Committee.

Statement of Criteria

The following criteria will be used in order to assess the nominations for the awards:

- the initiative is of an ecumenical or inter-faith nature and reflects an ecumenical / inter-faith celebration and/or practice;
- the planning and organisation of the event has involved appropriate ecumenical/inter-faith conversations;
- the event or experience brings people together from different traditions;
- the event or experience enables the participants to develop a greater understanding and appreciation of traditions and beliefs that are different from their normal experience;
- the event or experience illustrates a way in which people from different traditions can celebrate their faith/s together;
- the event or experience enables people of all ages to celebrate ecumenism/inter-faith activities and encourages further ecumenical/inter-faith experiences.

It is not expected that any one nomination will necessarily satisfy all of these criteria.

