

Singapore Disability Sports Awards 2023 Presented by Haw Par Corporation

The Singapore Disability Sports Awards aim to recognise the achievements and contributions made by individuals or groups in the disability sports community. In acknowledgement of the multi-faceted efforts behind the success of disability sports, the awards are applicable to athletes, coaches, organisers and volunteers.

AWARD CATEGORIES

Pathway and Performance (Nomination by SDSC, SDSC Ordinary and Associate Members)

Award	Description
Sportsman	These awards recognise athletes and teams (at least 2 athletes and not referring to the combination of athlete and athlete competition partner) who have achieved outstanding performance at major games, world championships or international competitions, exemplifies sportsmanship and integrity, and is a positive role model.
Sportswoman	
Sportsboy	
Sportsgirl	
Team	
Coach (High Performance)	These awards recognise coaches behind exemplary athletes, who have made important contributions to the development or success of disability sports.
Coach (Developmental)	

Community (Open Nomination)

Award	Description
Coach (Community)	This awards recognise coaches behind athletes, who have made important contributions to the growth of disability sports at the community level.
Volunteer of the Year	This award recognises contributions to the inclusion or empowerment of persons with disabilities in sports through voluntary efforts.
Event of the Year	This award aims to honour outstanding contributions to the inclusion and empowerment of persons with disabilities in sports through exceptional event organisation.

Community Changemaker of the Year	This award recognises contributions to the inclusion or empowerment of persons with disabilities in sports through organising or promoting projects, programs or activities related to disability sports.
Spirit of Sport Award (Male)	This award recognises athletes who may not be eligible for the Pathway and Performance awards but have demonstrated exceptional passion, enthusiasm, sportsmanship and dedication to their sports.
Spirit of Sport Award (Female)	
Spirit of Sport Award (Team)	

ELIGIBILITY & CRITERIA

ELIGIBILITY

1. Nominees must:
 - a. have a clean disciplinary history in sports
 - b. not have on-going investigations of their conduct or activities
 - c. be in good standing with SDSC and their member organisations (if applicable)

2. All achievements, sports results, activities, programmes and initiatives must have been achieved or carried out between **1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023**. Results outside of this window may only be included for a Coach (Developmental) nomination, to demonstrate a progression in athlete performance and eventual achievement at an international or national competition that took place between **1 April 2022 and 31 March 2023**.

3. Nominees can be nominated for more than one award. Separate forms are to be submitted for each nomination.

CRITERIA

Award	Criteria
Sportsman	Nomination is open to Singapore Citizens aged 24 or above (born in or before the year 1999) who have represented or were selected for one or more Major Games, world championships or international championships within the indicated time period. The nominee's contributions to the advancement of disability sports in Singapore may also be taken into account.
Sportswoman	
Sportsboy	Nomination is open to Singapore Citizens aged 23 or below (born in or after the year 2000) who have represented or were selected for one or more Major Games, world championships or international championships within the indicated

Sportsgirl	time period. The nominee's contributions to the advancement of disability sports in Singapore may also be taken into account.
Team	Nomination is open to Singapore Citizens who have represented in or were selected for team sports or team events at one or more Major Games, world championships or international championships within the indicated time period. The nominee's contributions to the advancement of disability sports in Singapore may also be taken into account.
Coach (High Performance)	Nomination is open to coaches whose athlete has achieved at major games or world championships. He or she should also demonstrate a commitment to the overall development of athletes and uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethics, and coaching practices. The assessment may consider the coach's contributions to the sport's expansion, which includes mentoring fellow coaches and the creation of coaching programs.
Coach (Developmental)	Nomination is open to coaches whose athlete has demonstrated progressive performance, resulting in achievements at international or national competitions. He or she should also demonstrate a commitment to the overall development of athletes and uphold the highest standards of sportsmanship, ethics, and coaching practices. The assessment may take into account the coach's endeavors in working collaboratively with other coaches and offering mentorship to up-and-coming coaching talents.

**Athlete Competition Partners (ACP) such as sport assistants, guide runners and pilots shall be included in the nomination (regardless of age) and share any award(s) with the Athletes.*

***Major Games refers to ASEAN Para Games / SEA Deaf Games, Asian Youth Para Games, Asian Para Games / Asian Deaf Games, Commonwealth Games, Paralympic Games / Deaflympic Games.*

Award	Criteria
Coach (Community)	Nomination is open to coaches who may not possess certification as a coach under the National Registry of Coaches, yet he or she has made significant contributions to the development of disability sports and persons with disabilities at a community level.
Volunteer of the Year	Nomination is open to individuals, groups, non-governmental organisations and schools. The nominee should have displayed a strong sense of dedication and commitment to volunteer work over an extended period, and made a significant and notable difference in the field of disability sports through their time, expertise, or resources. The assessment may take into account the nominee's leadership attributes, which encompass the capacity to inspire and motivate others, as well as their active engagement and cooperation with fellow volunteers, staff, and community members.
Event of the Year	<p>Nomination is open to individuals, groups, non-governmental organisations and schools. The nominated event should have had a significant and positive impact on the disability sports community, contributing to the participation and well-being of persons with disabilities in sports; promotion of inclusivity and accessibility of persons with disabilities in sports.</p> <p>The assessment may take into account evidence of active community engagement of persons with disabilities, volunteers and spectators; deployment of innovative approaches or creative solutions; sustainability and long-term impact to grow, promote or develop disability sports in a meaningful way.</p>
Community Changemaker of the Year	<p>Nomination is open to individuals, groups, non-governmental organisations and schools. The nominee should have demonstrated leadership by initiating and spearheading disability sports projects, programs, or activities that have made a significant and positive impact on the disability sports community in Singapore.</p> <p>The assessment may take into account the nominee's influence on individuals with disabilities who are participating in the program or initiative, such as improved skills,</p>

	self-confidence and overall well-being amongst participants with disabilities.
Spirit of Sport (Male)	This award recognises sporting individuals with disabilities and teams who may not be eligible for the Pathway and Performance awards but have demonstrated exceptional passion, enthusiasm, sportsmanship and dedication to their sports, overcome their personal challenges in their pursuit of sports, and have become a source of inspiration to the community.
Spirit of Sport (Female)	
Spirit of Sport (Team)	

SELECTION PROCESS

An independent panel will be convened to determine the awardees. Please note that the panel may choose to award bonus points for extraordinary achievements made in the sporting field. These include, but are not limited to, sterling performances in overcoming adversity and the impact of the athlete's achievements on national pride.

The decision of the panel is **final**; enquiries regarding the selection of the awardees will not be entertained.

PUBLIC VOTING

To build more awareness amongst the general public, SDSC will conduct public voting for the **Community Category**: (i.e. Coach (Community); Volunteer of the Year; Event of the Year; Community Changemaker of the Year and the Spirit of the Sport Awards (Male/Female/Team). This will be held for one week in October 2023.

Each unique email address will be entitled to one voting opportunity. Only one vote may be cast for each award. Votes will contribute towards the final scoring.

HOW TO SUBMIT A NOMINATION

Step 1

Fill in the nomination form online:

- Pathway and Performance category - https://bit.ly/PPNomination_SDSA2023
- Community category - https://bit.ly/CommunityNomination_SDSA2023

Step 2

Submit the form online by **Friday, 6 October 2023, 12pm**

Disclaimer: By completing and submitting this nomination form, nominators and institutional coordinators agree that the information provided is accurate, and that the individuals whose personal data is enclosed have been informed and have consented to providing their data for SDSC's purpose of selecting and promoting awardees via various marketing platforms, including social media.

AWARD MONIES

Awardees will receive the following award monies.

Award	Sum
Sportsman	\$1,000
Sportswoman	\$1,000
Sportsboy	\$1,000
Sportsgirl	\$1,000
Team	\$1,000
Coach (High Performance)	\$500
Coach (Developmental)	\$500
Coach (Community)	\$500
Volunteer of the Year	\$500
Event of the Year	\$500
Community Changemaker of the Year	\$500
Spirit of Sport (Male)	\$500
Spirit of Sport (Female)	\$500
Spirit of Sport (Team)	\$500

Note: The quantum indicated are by awards, and shall be shared between team members, or athletes and their competition partners if applicable.

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