



HAIRDRESSING APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR ENTRY FORM

Awarded to the best "all-round" hairdressing apprentice, the Hairdressing Apprentice of the Year must show commitment to their training and the desire to improve in all areas, whilst demonstrating how they'd be a worthy ambassador for HITO and the industry.

PRIZE

The Hairdressing Apprentice of the Year will receive \$2500 towards professional development.

Full name	
Salon/Shop name	
Address	
City	
Postcode	
Phone	
Email	
Instagram handle (optional)	

RULES OF ENTRY

- Please submit a high resolution, landscape photo of yourself with your entry, either via USB or email to info@industryawards.co.nz.
- By entering the awards you agree to abide by the competition rules.
- Entries and supporting documents (where requested) are due by 31 August 2021. No entries will be accepted after this date.
- The judges' decisions are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
- Shortlisted finalists may be required to verify the information they have submitted if evidence provided is not sufficient. All information received and submitted will be confidential.
- Entrants must be a current HITO Apprentice.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Your application should cover 8 main areas as:

- Why you chose to do an apprenticeship in hairdressing.
- What you love most about hairdressing.
- Your greatest training achievement and how it motivates you to go the extra mile.
- Examples of how you create a positive work environment.
- How you use social media to boost your profile (if applicable).
- Examples of future goals and how you plan to achieve them.
- How you would support HITO and the industry if you won.
- Summarise why you should be Apprentice of the Year.

The best candidates will:

- Have a strong work ethic - this award is not just about being the most technically-skilled hairdresser.
- Show commitment to training, set their own goals and give examples of how they'd like to contribute to the industry.
- Be great role models to prospective/current apprentices, people in their community and industry.
- Have the confidence to support, represent and champion HITO and apprenticeship training.
- Indicate the importance of being an apprentice and why they chose to do an apprenticeship.
- Indicate how they have overcome training obstacles.

Please note:

- Written entries must not exceed 1500 words and videos must not exceed 5 minutes.

REFERENCES

At least two references are required. Please ensure references are from your employer, off-job training tutor, clients and/or someone who knows you well.

References should reflect the qualities we're looking for in Hairdressing Apprentice of the Year, verifying the statements by the apprentice.

JUDGING PROCESS AND CRITERIA

At all stages, judges score independently of other judges:

- HITO will verify your progress and achievements upon submission of entry.
- Stage one of judging is carried out by Industry Awards representatives. During this stage a shortlist of finalists are identified.
- Stage two of judging is carried out by hair, beauty and barbering industry representatives.