

Northern Territory Ambassadors



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Kevin Kadirgamar
2018 NT Young Australian of the Year
Leaving his birthplace of Sri Lanka to escape civil conflict in his teens gave Kevin Kadirgamar a deep appreciation of the suffering experienced by many, and a steely determination to be a voice of the vulnerable. Now 28, Kevin is a lawyer fighting for the rights of migrants and refugees

Bridie Duggan
2017 NT Young Australian of the Year
Shocked by the suicide of a close friend in her hometown of Katherine, Bridie Duggan decided to take action. Setting herself an extreme challenge, Bridie travelled around Darwin, completing 100 burpees each day for a month and raising \$27,000 for the Livin Foundation in the process.



Dr Bo Remenyi
2018 NT Australian of the Year
As a junior doctor working in remote communities, Dr Bo Reményi filled out too many death certificates for children dying of preventable heart disease. Today, Bo is a paediatric cardiologist tackling the Northern Territory's rate of Rheumatic Heart Disease, currently the highest in the world.

Tony Burns
2017 NT Australian of the Year Finalist
The Chief Executive Officer of Helping People Achieve, Tony Burns is determined to focus on possibilities rather than disabilities. Tony's organisation is bringing people together to create meaningful work for many people with disabilities. With the same fiery passion and drive to make a difference, Tony has raised more than \$700,000 for local charities.



Giovanna Webb
2014 NT Australian of the Year Finalist

Giovanna Webb and her husband Grahame run one of Darwin's most popular tourist attractions, Crocodylus Park. Giovanna houses 10,000 crocodiles, undertakes research projects and educates 60,000 tourists each year. Giovanna has developed a pilot program that is training and encourage Indigenous women to use crocodile more to build sustainable businesses in the crocodile industry.



Bob Shewring

2016 NT Senior Australian of the Year

Twenty five of the 521 Australians killed in the Vietnam War didn't make it home to Australia and Vietnam veteran Bob Shewring was determined to rectify this terrible wrong. Bob founded Operation "Bring Them Home" in 2014 and garnered over 40,000 signatures through an online petition before the Australian Government agreed in May 2015 to repatriate these soldiers' bodies



David Taylor

2016 NT Australia's Local Hero

Advocate for disengaged youth, passionate performance art supporter and teaching chef. David was recognising for his work with homeless and at-risk youth via Knockabout Chefs. David currently works with long-term unemployed young people with Mission Australia's Café One program instilling life lessons to encourage change and outlook in long term.



WHY HAVE AN AUSTRALIA DAY AMBASSADOR?

The benefits of having an Australia Day Ambassador at your Australia Day celebrations include:

- The opportunity for your local community to meet and listen to Australians who have distinguished themselves by their contribution to their country
- They are a drawcard for regional celebrations
- The chance to hear stories of the Ambassador's achievements which illustrate the many opportunities Australia offers
- The opportunity to reinforce the diversity of achievers in Australia.

To organise an Ambassador for your event please contact office@adcnt.org.au