Public Engagement with Research

Summary of eligibility

1. Applications can be submitted by the nominee or by a third party.
2. Eligible candidates must be currently affiliated with the University of Aberdeen.
3. Applications may not be submitted to a category the applicant has previously won.
4. Applications must demonstrate a substantive research-led approach to the public engagement undertaken. Examples may include:
   a. Engaging publics about research (e.g. talks, workshops, broadcasting and media).
   b. Supporting communities (e.g. working with pupils and teachers, community groups, engaging with policymakers).
   c. Inspiring the next generation.
   d. Addressing societal concerns.
   e. Fostering collaborative or partnership approaches.
5. Supporting evidence must demonstrate significant contributions within the past 24 months.
6. Applications that demonstrate creative and innovative approaches to public engagement are particularly welcomed.
7. Applications should indicate any learning outcomes and experiences achieved though the public engagement and successful nominees should be willing to share these.
8. Staff and students whose primary role is around public engagement and members of the Public Engagement with Research Unit at the University of Aberdeen are ineligible for this prize.
9. Applications should select the category for which they wish to be considered.
10. Applications which focus on research areas in the biomedical sciences covered by the Welcome Trust remit will be considered for the biomedical sciences prize. Applications do not necessarily need to be funded by Welcome Trust. The disciplines within this remit can be found here [http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Biomedical-science/Application-information/WTD039181.htm](http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/Funding/Biomedical-science/Application-information/WTD039181.htm)

Summary of terms

1. The Principal’s Prize for Public Engagement with Research is an annual award to reflect outstanding achievement in the field of research and researcher-led public engagement.
2. Nominations must be made using the form provided (Word and PDF versions available) at www.abdn.ac.uk/engage.
3. Nominations for the 2019 prize must be received by 5pm on 19th April 2019.
4. Nominations should be submitted by email to peru@abdn.ac.uk indicating ‘Principal’s Prize’ in the subject field.
5. The decision of the judging panel is final.
6. The winner and runner-up will be informed by 10th May 2019.
7. The funds provided for public engagement activity/development are intended for use by the recipient, on direct costs of activities. The funds may not be used to pay for external speakers. Approval of spend by PERU must be obtained before the activity takes place.
8. Winners may be asked to contribute to University websites or other materials in respect of their prize or public engagement activities.
9. The closing date for the competition is 19 April 2019.