

CULTURAL MEDALLION YOUNG ARTIST AWARD

YOUNG ARTIST AWARD NOMINATION GUIDELINES (2022)

Application Deadline:

Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time)

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ABOUT THE YOUNG ARTIST AWARD

The Young Artist Award is Singapore's highest award for young arts practitioners, aged 35 and below, whose artistic achievements and commitment have distinguished them from their peers. It encourages young practitioners to continue pursuing excellence in the arts and to inspire others. Since it was established in 1992, the Young Artist Award has been conferred on 169 artists in the fields of film, literary arts, performing arts and visual arts.

Each Young Artist Award recipient will be able to access the Young Artist Award Grant of \$20,000. The Grant supports recipients' continuous artistic pursuits and development.

Know more about our Young Artist Award recipients <u>here</u>.

II. ELIGIBILITY & SELECTION CRITERIA

Scope of Award

The Young Artist Award recognises artists who have made and continue to make significant contributions and a positive impact in the fields of film, literary arts, performing arts and visual arts.

From 2013, artists engaging in multiple artistic fields or cross-disciplinary practice can be nominated in multiple art form categories in a single nomination.

Eligibility

Nominees must be Singapore Citizens or Permanent Residents of Singapore who are of good character.

Young Artist Award nominees must be 35 years or below as of 31 December 2022.

Nominations for the Young Artist Award are accepted for living artists. The Young Artist Award will not be conferred posthumously.

Assessment Criteria

Young Artist Award nominees are assessed upon the extent to which they have achieved or demonstrated all of the following:

- a. A strong body of work that gives evidence of a clear artistic vision and the potential for continued excellence;
- b. Significant contribution and positive impact in shaping his/her field of practice and Singapore's artistic development, with potential to play a greater leadership role; and
- c. Ability to be an inspiration and role model to other artists in Singapore and overseas.



III. NOMINATION & SELECTION PROCESS

Who can nominate?

The Young Artist Award is open for public nominations once a year. The National Arts Council invites individuals with strong interest in and knowledge of arts and cultural development in Singapore to submit nominations.

Self-nominations, nominations by immediate family members¹ and nominations by staff of the National Arts Council will not be accepted.

Selection Process

All eligible nominations received by the National Arts Council will be evaluated by Specialist Panels, comprising people established in the various artistic fields, appointed by the National Arts Council.

Besides artistic merit, the selection process will also consider nominees' potential to be role models. The final recommendations will be presented to the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth for approval.

Award and Notification

The Young Artist Award will be presented by the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth at the Cultural Medallion and Young Artist Award Ceremony.

NAC will inform all nominators and nominees about the outcome of their nomination by end November.

Note: NAC reserves the right to not disclose the reasons for the outcome of any nomination, and to reject any incomplete/late nomination.

IV. [FOR NOMINATORS] HOW TO NOMINATE

Submission of nomination by Nominators

Nominators should submit a nomination via the CMYAA portal: https://www.nac.gov.sg/e-services/cultural-medallion-and-young-artist-award. Please note that your nominees can only proceed to submit their nomination packages once you have submitted your nomination on the portal. Please give ample time for your nominees to submit their Nomination Package before Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time).

¹ Immediate family members refer to the nominee's spouse, parents (including step-parents and parents-in-law), children and siblings.



Please prepare the following documents/details:

- → Your SingPass or CorpPass (if you are nominating on behalf of an organisation) login details;
- → Your nominee's name, contact number, email address (*please ensure that you indicate the email address which is tied to your nominee's SingPass*), last 4 characters of NRIC and art form;
- → Basis and reasons for your nomination.
- 2. After you have successfully submitted your nomination, your nominee will be notified via email.

As a nominator, you are encouraged to get in touch with your nominee to notify him/her of your nomination.

To complete the nomination, do work closely with the nominee to ensure that:

- a. He/she has received your nomination;
- b. The nomination is accepted through the CMYAA Portal (via the link provided in the email) and;
- c. His/her Nomination Package is prepared according to Section V: Nomination Package and submitted to NAC before Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time).

V. [FOR NOMINEES] NOMINATION PACKAGE

Acceptance of nomination by Nominee

Following your nominator's successful submission of your nomination via the CMYAA portal, you should receive a notification email.

Click on the link provided in the email **or** log in to the <u>CMYAA Portal</u> to accept your nomination.

Submission of Nomination Package by Nominee

Nominees are wholly responsible for ensuring that all components of their nomination package are received by NAC via the CMYAA Portal before Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time).

Nominees are hence advised to submit their applications early before the application deadline.



Your Nomination Package should include the following materials:

Item	Remarks	
1. NRIC	A photocopy/ scanned copy of your NRIC (front and back).	
	<u>Format:</u> Document should be uploaded in PDF, Doc, Docx, JPG, PNG format. The size of the file should be <u>less than 1MB.</u>	
2. Bio	 Write-up (between 300 to 500 words) that outlines your major achievements and work. The suggested structure for this citation is as follows: a) Introduce yourself and the defining aspects of your practice. (you may wish to include details such as your educational qualifications, the genre/artform of your practice, and/or your artistic philosophy); b) Your artistic journey and practice; c) Your involvement and contribution to the arts, both locally and beyond Singapore (this could include mentoring younger artists, your contributions to the wider community, etc.); d) The awards, accolades, and recognitions that you have received. 	
	<u>Format:</u> Document should be uploaded in PDF, Doc, Docx format. The size of the file to be <u>less than 1MB.</u>	
3. Curriculum Vitae (CV)	Please indicate clearly the name , year and your role in each item listed on your submitted CV.	
	<u>Format:</u> Document should be uploaded in PDF, Doc, Docx format. The size of the file to be <u>less than 1MB</u> .	
Portfolio	Please submit the following:	
4. Up to 5 Most Recent Works and up to 5 Best Works	 Maximum of 5 most recent works: works produced within the last 3 years AND Maximum of 5 best works: significant works that have been critically 	
	recognised and are most representative of your practice.	
	Your portfolio should consist of works that you would like to highlight to the Specialist Panel. Please indicate in your portfolio if a particular work is both one of your recent works and is also your best work.	
	Please refer to the list ² below on the types of works that you may submit as part of your portfolio, in accordance with the artform that you have been nominated in.	

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 $^{^2}$ This list is non-exhaustive and would be dependent on your role in the works which you are intending to submit.



Artform Type of Work	
Film and Visual Arts	Digitised copies of artworks/still imagesVideos for works involving sound and moving images
Literary Arts	Digitised excerpts of literary works – e.g. short stories, poems, published articles, play scripts or a combination of the above
Performing Arts	 Video/audio recordings of actual productions, performances, rehearsals, films Sheet Music

When submitting your portfolio, please rename your files as such: <Best/Recent Work_Title of Work_Name of Nominee>.

If a particular work is both one of your best and one of your recent works, please rename your file as such: <Best and Recent Work_Title of Work_Name of Nominee>.

You would also be prompted to include details describing each work submitted on the portal, such as:

- Title of video/audio/document
- Year of work
- Your involvement in the work
- Brief description of work/production

The format of the works submitted with your portfolio should be as follows:

File	Format
Still images / Documents / Articles / Manuscripts / Literary Works	PDF
Video / Audio Recordings	Any of the following format: AVI / AAC / FLV / MP3 / MP4 / MKV / MOV / MPEG / MPG / M4V / RM / RMVB / WAV / WMA / WMV / 3GP



5. Letters of When preparing letters of support, please note that: support All letters of support need to be dated and signed, with at least 1 letter addressing the current year of nomination and award (i.e. 2022 Young Artist Award). Please note that letters dated more than 3 years ago (before 1 January 2019), will not be considered. At least 1 letter **must** be written by a member of the arts community in Singapore. 4 If you have accepted nominations in more than 1 artform, please submit at least 1 letter for every art form which you have accepted to be nominated in. 5 Additionally, please note that the following will not be accepted; d) Letters written by your nominator. Letters addressed to other events/programmes (i.e. letters written in support for other events/programmes). 6. [Optional] Supporting documents such as the following may be submitted: Other Critical essays or articles about you or your practice supporting List of essays/articles/works that have referenced/cited your artistic documents work Any other documents which may provide insights into your artistic practice and/or contribution to the arts in Singapore If you have articles in languages other than English, please provide a summary in English as indicated in the portal.

³ E-Signatures are also accepted.

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⁴ The same letter may be used to fulfil the requirements in 5a.

⁵ For example, if you have accepted nominations for both Music and Theatre, please submit at least 1 letter of support for Music and 1 letter of support for Theatre.



Important Notes on preparing the Nomination Package:

- 1. Click on "Nomination Package Submission". Follow the step-by-step guide provided on the portal.
- 2. **Items 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6** are to be uploaded on the portal.

Item 4, your portfolio, can be submitted either via:

(i) CMYAA Portal

To submit your portfolio via the CMYAA portal, you may choose to either:

- → Share an existing weblink through the portal OR
- → Submit files through the Dropbox link provided on the portal
 - Zip all your materials into 1 zip file and name it according to the following format:
 <Type of Award_Art form_Application Number_Name>.zip
 - 2. Upload the zip file onto this Dropbox link.

Nominees are wholly responsible for ensuring that all components of their nomination package are uploaded on Dropbox and received by NAC before Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time).

Nominees will not be able to upload their nomination package after the application deadline, Friday, 11 March 2022, 6pm (Singapore Time).

Note:

- → A Dropbox account is not required to submit your portfolio through the Dropbox link.
- → Do not upload multiple files onto the Dropbox link. Should NAC receive multiple files under the same application reference number, NAC will only refer to the first file submitted for consideration.
- → Please take note that you will not be able to access files that have already been uploaded. A green check mark indicates that your file has been successfully uploaded.
- → Files that cannot be opened or played will render the nomination incomplete and ineligible.

(ii) Hard copy submission of portfolio items

Hard copy submissions are highly discouraged and will only be accepted on a case-bycase basis. However, if you have hard copy materials which may be difficult to digitise, you may send them to us via post.



Please note that if you have submitted a digitised version of your portfolio through the CMYAA Portal, you <u>are not</u> required to submit your portfolio in hard copy.

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- Before sending your hard copy portfolio to us, please only submit a maximum of 5
 Most Recent Works and a maximum of 5 Best Works, regardless of the format they
 are submitted in.
- 2. Send **2 sets** of your hard copy portfolio to the address below:

2022 Cultural Medallion and Young Artist Award Nominations National Arts Council 90 Goodman Road, Goodman Arts Centre Blk A, #01-01 Singapore 439053

Note:

Please **DO NOT**:

- → Submit the master copy or original copy of your works. NAC will not be liable for any loss of portfolios or works if the original / master copies are submitted.
- → Submit any documents larger than A4 size
- → Use binders. Please use either folders or a stapler to organise your documents.



VI. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

ABOUT THE AWARD

What does the Young Artist Award recognise?

The Young Artist Award (YAA) is Singapore's highest award for recognising young arts practitioners, aged 35 and below, whose artistic achievements and commitment have distinguished them among their peers.

What do recipients receive?

YAA recipients will receive a trophy and a certificate. Each Young Artist Award recipient will also be able to access the Young Artist Award Grant of \$20,000. The Grant supports recipients' continuous artistic pursuits and development.

In addition, YAA recipients will be profiled in an award ceremony publication and video which will document their artistic journey and contributions.

FOR NOMINATORS: NOMINATIONS

Who can nominate?

Nominations for the Young Artist Award are open to public once a year. Self-nominations, nominations by immediate family members⁶ and nominations by staff of the National Arts Council will not be accepted.

Can I nominate someone posthumously?

No. Nominations for the Young Artist Award are only accepted for living artists. The Young Artist Award will not be conferred posthumously.

To be eligible for the Young Artist Award, nominees must be 35 years or below as of 31 December 2022. Nominees who are above 35 are ineligible and will not be considered for the award.

Does the number of nominations/nominators affect the nominee's chances of receiving the award?

No. Each nominee is assessed by Specialist Panels according to the extent to which he/she meets the published criteria for the award. The number of nominators or nominations for a nominee does not affect the likelihood of him/her receiving the award.

Can I submit more than one nomination?

Yes. Nominators may submit more than one nomination for each award.

Can I resubmit a nomination which was not previously successful?

Previously unsuccessful nominees may be nominated again. Nominees should update their Nomination Package in the submission.

⁶ Immediate family members refer to the nominee's spouse, parents (including step-parents and parents-in-law), children and siblings.



Must my nominee know of his/her nomination?

Yes. Your nominee will need to agree to be nominated by accepting your nomination via the CMYAA Portal.

FOR NOMINEES: NOMINATION PACKAGE

What happens to my nomination package submission?

All submissions will be reviewed during the award assessment. If you have submitted any hardcopy materials, they will be retained by the National Arts Council until the Cultural Medallion and Young Artist Award Ceremony in November. If you wish to have the hardcopy materials returned to you, we will arrange a time for you to collect the submitted materials from the National Arts Council in early December.

If you do not wish to have your portfolio back, it will be disposed of by **31 December 2022**.

What else can help support my nomination?

You are strongly encouraged to include any other materials, including letters of support, articles, critical essays, and list of essays/articles/works which have referenced/cited your artistic work, which best reflect the level of excellence and impact of your contributions to the arts and cultural scene.

I encountered technical difficulties in the submission of my online application. What should I do?

Please inform NAC immediately via email (nac_cmyaa@nac.gov.sg) together with a screenshot and timestamp of the error message.

This is necessary to confirm a genuine technical issue was encountered before the deadline of submission.

SELECTION PROCESS

Is there a set number of recipients each year?

No. Recipients are assessed on how well they meet the awards' criteria.

How is the selection process carried out?

The awards process starts with a public nomination, followed by a shortlisting of the nominees by Specialist Panels appointed by the NAC. Besides artistic merit, the selection process will also consider nominees' potential as role models.

Final recommendations will be submitted to the Minister for Culture, Community and Youth for approval.

NOTIFICATION

When will I be notified of the outcome of my nomination?

NAC will inform all nominators and nominees about the outcome of their nominations by end November.



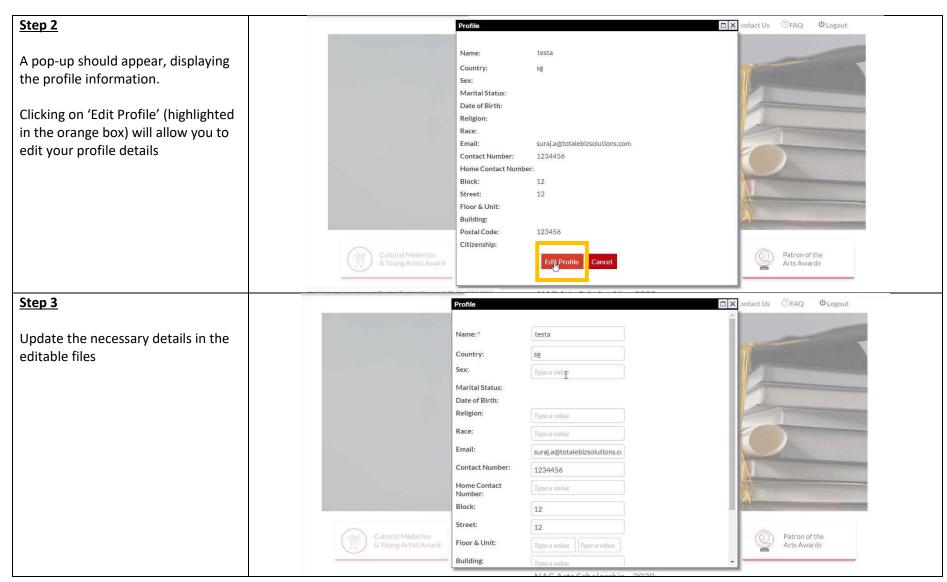
VII. PORTAL GUIDE

PROFILE ON CMYAA E-SERVICES

VIEWING/EDITING YOUR PROFILE INFORMATION

Step 1 To view your profile details, click on the human icon (highlighted in the orange box) on the top right-hand corner of the page Cultural Medallion & Young Artist Award Open Call for Artis Space Tenancy Application Patron of the Arts Awards







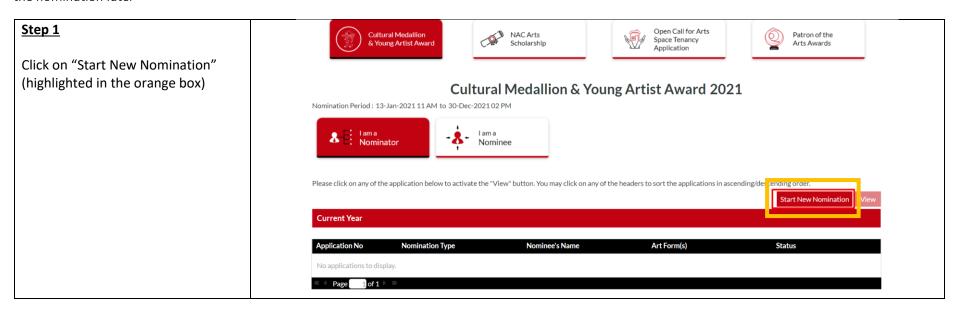
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[FOR NOMINATORS] STARTING A NEW NOMINATION

Note: The portal will auto-save your nomination every 2 minutes. However, it is recommended to always click on "Save as draft" if you choose to continue with the nomination later





Step 2 Nominator's Information As a nominator, your information Salutation: Name: sample Email: sample@sample.com would be populated from the Occupation: asdsa Mobile Number: 435345345 information on your profile. Address: Country of Birth: **GUATEMALA** 33,dfgdg 534343 Fill up any remaining information if Race: ANGLO SAXON Sex: MALE needed and click on "Add" to add Nationality: вн Residential Status: Citizen 28 Memberships and positions held in nominees. arts organisations (if applicable): List of Nominees * Nominee's Name Nominee's Email Art Form(s) No items to display. Step 3 NOMINEE'S INFORMATION Fill up all the mandatory information Salutation:* ation: of the nominee and click on "Save". , i NRIC/FIN:* Nominee's Name: Note: In order for the system to Nomination Type: Contact Cultural Medallion Young Artist Award +65 Number: capture the nomination and accurately match it to the nominee Nominee's Art Form(s):* Literary Arts Literary Arts you are intending to nominate, Music please ensure that the nominee's Confirm Email: NRIC and email address is correct (the email address should match with the nominee's email indicated in the profile)



Step 4

Indicate that you've acknowledge the terms in the Declaration section and click on "Submit"

Declaration*

I confirm that the above particulars of the nominee are, to the best of my knowledge, true and I have not willfully suppressed any material fact.

I certify that I am not an immediate family member* of the nominee.

* Immediate family members refer to the nominee's spouse, parents (including step-parents and parents-in-law), children and siblings.

I acknowledge and consent to the terms above. *

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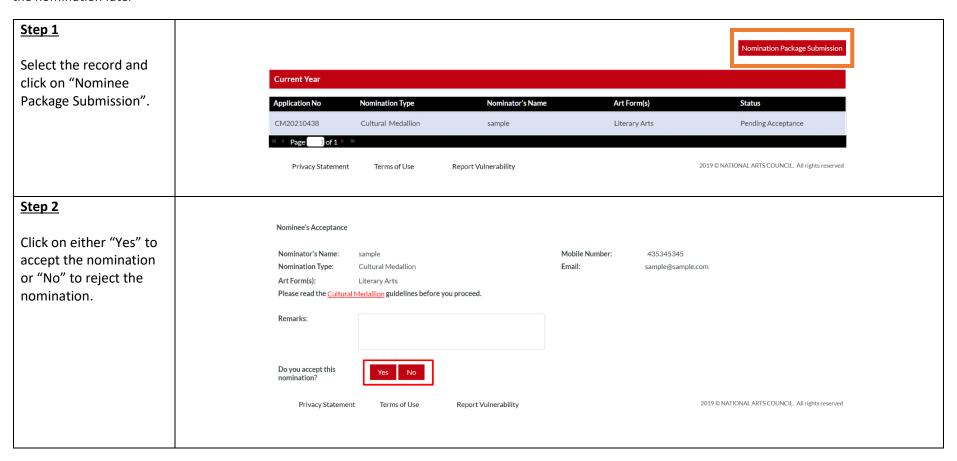
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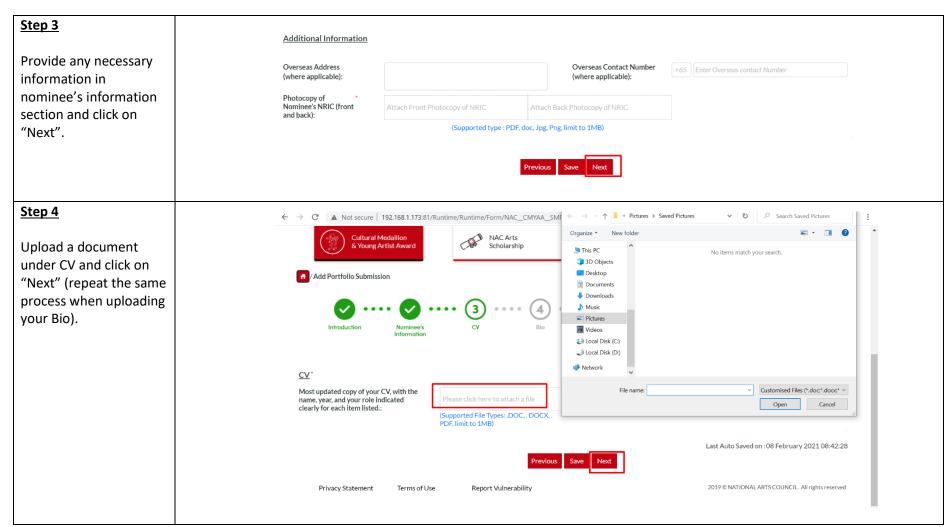


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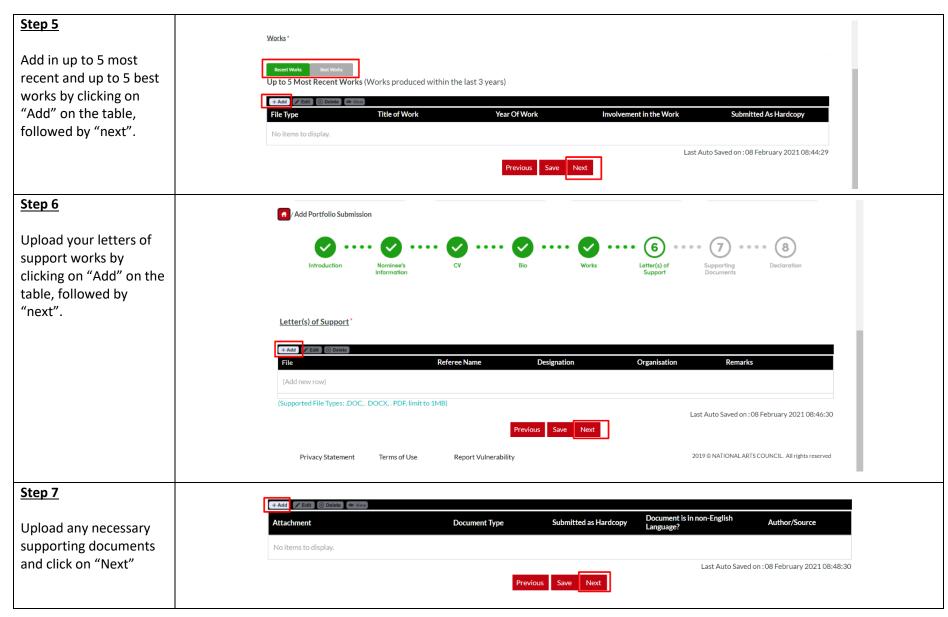
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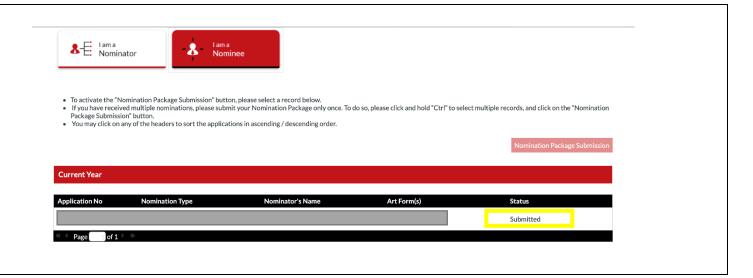






A "Submitted" status should be reflected on the right hand column, upon returning to the homepage.

Following which, there should be an email notification to both yourself and your nominator, informing you of your portfolio submission.

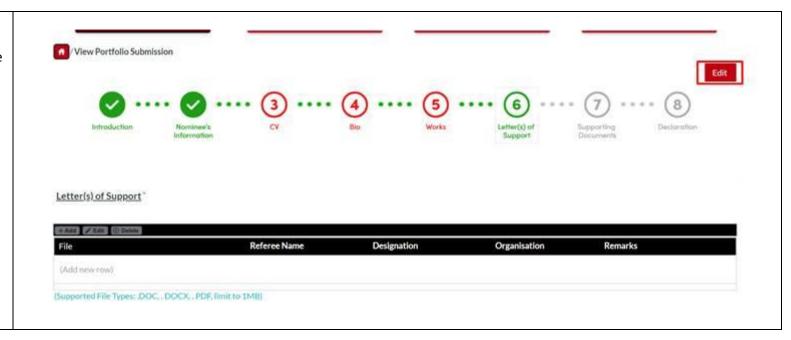




NOTE:

For applications that have been saved as drafts, kindly click on <u>'Edit'</u> on the right-hand corner of the application page before continuing with your application.

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