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IFAJ Journalism Awards Close Soon

There are five journalism awards, one photography award and the IFAJ Young Leaders Award.

The journalism entries close on January 30, so each can be judged in New Zealand and the winner sent to the IFAJ by its deadline.

These are:

- The IFAJ / Caterpillar Report Award – for the application of new technology in agriculture.
- The IFAJ Broadcast Video Award
- The IFAJ Broadcast Audio Award
- The IFAJ Rabobank Digital Media Award
- The IFAJ Star Prize for Print

Entries for the IFAJ Star Prize for Photography go direct to IFAJ and the deadline is 23 February. There are three different sections, People, Production, Nature and Landscape and you can enter one or all. The entry form is <https://www.ifaj.org/contests-and-awards/ifaj-star-prize-photography/#1482250325916-c8a1315b-70e5-IFAJ>, under contests and awards.

The Alltech Young Leaders in Agricultural Journalism is open to agricultural journalists under the age of 35 years of age on December 31, 2018.

For an entry form for the journalism awards and the Alltech Young Leaders in Agriculture Award, contact me at kotuku.medi@xtra.co.nz. Dig out your best articles in each section – even 2018 Guild award winning ones – and send them, with the entry forms!!

Carson Wins Travel Grant

Long-time guild member, Don Carson, (pictured) a winner of the Landcorp Agricultural Communicator of the Year and of several journalism awards over the years, is this year's recipient



of the Guild's Congress Travel Grant. He will be assisted to attend this year's IFAJ Congress in Minneapolis at the end of July.

Job Vacancy

Emma Timewell, Communications Manager at NZ Institute for Plant and Food Research advises that she is looking for a new senior communications advisor. It is Auckland-based and she is looking for a strong writer, a great story-teller, with at least three years' experience in corporate communications.

The job ad is at <https://careers.sciencenewzealand.org/jobdetails/ajid/LPGI8/30529-Senior-Communications-Advisor,30529.html>.

Registrations Open Soon

If your are planning a trip to the USA in the middle of the year, you might like to arrange it so you can attend the IFAJ congress in Minneapolis.

Registrations open on 1 February, and the congress is from 26 - 31 July. For more information go to www.ifaj2019.org

The early programme is out now, with some interesting activities on the itinerary.

Next year's congress is in Denmark, from June 24 – 29, 2020.

