

Edinburgh residents called on to nominate young people for 2021 'Young Scot' award

People in Edinburgh are being encouraged by 'Young Scot' to nominate the most inspirational young people in their lives and communities for the Sunday Mail Young Scot Awards 2021.

Now in its fifteenth year, the Awards recognises outstanding 11-26-year-olds from all backgrounds who are making a difference. The Sunday Mail Young Scot Awards 2021 are the most high-profile awards that highlight the contributions made by young people to all aspects of our communities – from sport and the arts, through to enterprise and volunteering.

Nominations are now open on youngscotawards.com, through until 14 February 2021. Winners will be announced in April 2021 during a live online ceremony that will be broadcast live on Young Scot's YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/YoungScotTV

The new Sunday Mail Young Scot Award 2021 winners will join a prestigious roll call of previous recipients including Sir Andy Murray, Olympian Laura Muir, and top vlogger Jamie Genevieve. Recent winners include actor, Ncuti Gatwa from Netflix's Sex Education, Singer-songwriter Be Charlotte and, overall winners, the phenomenal team behind the Scottish Youth Climate Strike.

Louise Macdonald OBE, Chief Executive, Young Scot, said: "The Sunday Mail Young Scot Awards is a way for us to celebrate the achievements of Scotland's young people who've given so much to our communities recently. If you know a young person in Edinburgh who impresses you, or someone who's gone above and beyond to help others, then we want to hear about them. Make

your nomination today!”



Esther Silverton, Young Scot of the Year 2020 winner, on behalf of the Scottish Youth Climate Strikers, said: “It was an honour to win the Sunday Mail Young Scot Award, there are so many people that do so many amazing things and fully deserve to get recognition for what they do, I’m hugely grateful and I hope that this shows everyone that you can fight for what you believe in because everyone has the power to help change the world.”

The 2021 awards will be made possible thanks to the generous support of its sponsors, with Skills Development Scotland returning as the sponsor of the Enhancing Education Award and Solace Scotland backing the Unsung Hero category once again.

sportscotland is also set to return as the sponsor of the Sport Award while the British Council Scotland has been announced as sponsor of the new International Award, marking its first year as an official partner.

To nominate a young person or to find out more about the awards, please visit: youngscotawards.com