



Cultural Awards 2025 Winners - 7 October 2025

Category	Winner
After School Arts and Culture Coaching Excellence	Liesle Hendricks
Best Arts and Culture Programme Award	Advance Edukos
Best Researcher Contributing to Archival Heritage	Abdud-Daiyaan Petersen
Excellence in Audiovisual Media Award	Firstlight Studio (PTY) Ltd
Excellence in Performing Arts Award	Zolani Youth Choir
Innovative Community Arts and Culture Initiative Award	Amoyo Performing Arts Foundation
Literary Excellence Award	Siphokazi Jonas
Young & Innovative Artist Award	Lluyle Arendse
A Project that Promotes South African Sign Language or the Marginalised Indigenous Languages of the Western Cape	Jabaar Mohamed
Neville Alexander Award for an Outstanding Contribution towards the Promotion of Multilingualism	Suidoosterfees – 'Met woorde soos kerse'
Significant Contribution to Language Development	Quentin Williams
Public Library of the Year	Hermanus Library
Substantial Contribution to Community Impact through Outreach Programmes	Tesselaarsdal Library
Substantial Contribution to Digital Literacy Advancement	D'Almeida Library
Substantial Contribution to Reading and Literacy Development	Hawston Library
The Best Friends of the Public Library	Friends of the Central Library
Active Volunteer of the Year in the Museums, Heritage and Geographical Names Sector	Harry Croome



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Best Contribution to the Protection and Conservation of a National, Provincial or Locally Protected Heritage Site	Genadendal Archival Pilot Project
Best Innovative Project in the Field of Museums, Heritage and Geographical Names	Blombos Museum
Contribution by a Conservation Body, Heritage Organisation, or Museum towards the Promotion of Local History, Heritage or Renaming of Geographical Features	Our Cape Town Heritage
Contribution to Research, Awareness and Public Advocacy about Name Changes of Geographical Features	Siphiwo Mavumengwana
Contribution to the Promotion of Social Inclusion in the Field of Museums, Heritage and Geographical Names	Togryers Museum

Ministerial Commendations	Joline Young
	Thandi Swartbooï
	Nkosikho Juqu
	Loukmaan Adams
	Marco Olivier

Ministerial Legacy Awards	Charmain Plummer
	Eleanor Damon
	Isaac Balie
	Mxolisi Patrick Holo Mtshamba
	Fanie Jason