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WOMEN IN COLLISION
2026

FEMALE TRAILBLAZERS



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If you're the manager or colleague of a dynamic female professional,
then nominate them now. We also welcome self-nominations.

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ABOUT THE *AWARDS*

The Women in Collision Awards exists to recognise, celebrate and elevate the women who keep Australia's collision repair industry moving forward.

Powered by Paint & Panel, the program shines a spotlight on the business owners, administrators, technicians, parts managers, customer service professionals, estimators and supplier representative whose skill, dedication and leadership are helping transform the collision repair industry.

More than just another awards program, Women in Collision Awards is a program that inspires careers and creates visibility for women at every stage of their professional journey.

TO ENTER

Visit: www.paintandpanelwomen.com.au

Entries can be submitted by a colleague or self-nominated

Entries close: 4pm, Friday 23 October 2026

Event: Friday, 26 February 2027

SAVE THE DATE

Cocktail Awards Presentation

Friday 26 February 2027

Doltone House, Hyde Park

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AWARD *CATEGORIES*

Customer Service

This category recognises women in customer service, reception and front-of-house roles who create exceptional customer experiences, keep the business running smoothly and make every interaction count.

Estimator

This category celebrates estimators who combine technical knowledge, attention to detail and commercial understanding to keep repairs moving and customers informed.

Industry Supplier Representative

Open to women working for paint and consumables companies, equipment and parts suppliers, training providers and other businesses that help collision repairers do their best work.

Office Professional

This category recognises women in essential office-based roles including accounts, marketing, training, OH&S, compliance, administration and other functions that are critical to a successful business.

Owner/Manager

This category celebrates owners and senior managers who demonstrate strong leadership, drive business success, develop their people and make a lasting contribution to the collision industry.

Parts Manager

This category celebrates Parts Managers who bring organisation, accuracy, product knowledge and problem-solving skills to one of the most critical roles in the repair process.

Rising Star

This category recognises refinish, body repair and mechanical automotive technicians working in a collision repair shop, from apprentices taking their first steps in the industry to highly experienced qualified technicians.

Technician

Recognising women in refinish, body repair and mechanical roles who demonstrate outstanding technical skills, commitment and professionalism, from apprentices to qualified technicians.

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WHAT THE JUDGES ARE *LOOKING FOR*

A strong nomination goes beyond saying someone is great at their job. Don't just tell us she's great. Show us why.

Standout

What's makes her exceptional? What does she do better than most? Skill, expertise, attitude.

Impact

What difference has she made? To her customers, team, business and the industry.

Initiative

When has she stepped up? Solved a problem, an idea acted on or overcome a challenge.

Influence

Who does she bring with her? Does she mentor, support, lead and inspire?

Evidence

Can you show us? Results. Stories. Feedback. Achievements. Real examples.

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The Awards are open to Australasian & NZ based individuals where the company they work for has operations in both countries. All entries must be submitted via the online survey. Note the entry deadline 4pm, Friday 23 October 2026. This date is final and there will be no extensions provided.

Entries cannot be edited after submitting, if you notice an error in your entry, please contact events@twodeforce.com.au. Please note: no changes will be permitted after the entry deadline. Please make sure all entry details are entered accurately, including grammar. Details collected through the online entry portal will be used in the Awards presentation and in print if selected as a finalist.

The decision of the judges will be final, and no correspondence will be entered into. All entries are treated as confidential. Judges reserve the right to move an entry to another category if deemed more suitable.

Judges reserve the right to disqualify entries that do not follow the entry requirements. The entrant grants Paint & Panel permission to show the entries at the Women in Collision Awards Presentation and in the magazine in print and online at such times as deemed appropriate.

Finalists and winners will be covered in the Paint and Panel winners supplement using information from the entry.

The entrant agrees that Paint & Panel and Two de Force will not accept responsibility for errors or omissions reproduced in the presentation or the winners supplement or for work lost or damaged under any circumstances.



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INFORMED, CONNECTED AND MOVING FORWARD.**

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