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## **Final days to nominate excellence in transport**

Time is almost up to submit your entries for the *27<sup>th</sup> Australian Freight Industry Awards*, with submissions closing on **Monday, 14 August**. The VTA is urging anyone who has been considering nominating someone for these prestigious awards to act now.

“Aside from being a fantastic, fun-filled night, the AFIA’s also recognise the outstanding efforts of individuals and companies within in the transport and logistics industry,” said VTA CEO Peter Anderson.

“Our industry is full of long-hours, hard work and going above and beyond in pursuit of excellence. It’s great to be able to celebrate these efforts – and others – in a formal setting.”

Awards are given across several categories, each focussing on a different facet of the transport industry. These include the Investment in People Award, Best Practice Safety Award, The Shaun Owen Memorial Award for Application of Technology, the Waste and Recycling Award, the Young Achiever of the Year Award, and the Personality of the Year Award.

An air of Motown flair and excitement will descend on the Palladium Ballroom at Crown on Saturday, 2 September, with the biggest roster of entertainment in the AFIA’s history.

Guests will get into the groove with classic soul hits from Matt Hetherington’s **This is Motown** act, sing along to Aussie anthems from Hunters & Collectors front man **Mark Seymour** and his band **The Undertow**, then dance the night away as the **Matt Hetherington Band** plays hits from the past and present.

“The AFIA’s are always a highlight of the VTA’s calendar and this year’s truly going to turn things up to 11,” Mr Anderson said.

“It’s also important that the transport and logistics industry comes together to support each other and have a bit of fun at the same time, so I encourage anyone who hasn’t yet bought tickets to do so before time runs out.”

Tickets can be purchased at [www.vta.com.au](http://www.vta.com.au) or by contacting the VTA on 9646 8590.

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