

Taco Kuiper

Award for Investigative Journalism

CALL FOR ENTRIES

All journalists are invited to submit entries for the 2022 Taco Kuiper Investigative Journalism Award.

The Taco Kuiper Award recognises outstanding examples of investigative reporting that reveal untold stories, hold the powerful to account and question those in public life.

The top prize is **R200 000** and the runner-up wins **R100 000**.

The Award is open to all journalists (which includes those who work in broadcast, online and photography) for stories about South Africa published or broadcast during 2021. Entries close at 14H00 on **Friday 4th February 2022**.

The award ceremony will be held on the evening of 7 April 2022.

Guidelines for Taco Kuiper Awards

A call for submissions is made every January on the Wits journalism website(www.journalism.co.za).

The Award recognises the best exemplar of investigative reporting in South African in the previous calendar year. The Award can be made to a journalist or team of journalists. It can be for a single story or a series of stories published or broadcast in the previous year (please do not include pieces from earlier years, though where relevant they can be referred to in your motivation).

The motivation is extremely important as it should ensure the judges are fully aware of the work that went into the story, risks taken, its originality, context and impact.

Winners will be chosen by a panel of judges who have discretion to set and use criteria they consider to be appropriate and reasonable.

No publisher or broadcaster can submit more than three entries from their staff. No individual journalist may be part of more than two entries. Any individual or organisation may make a nomination.

How to submit an entry;

Complete the entry form and email to tkuiperawards@gmail.com

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Entry must include:

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An electronic copy of the entry material as published/broadcast. If the original is reduced in size it must be accompanied by a readable Word/PDF document version.

Material that is not in English must be accompanied by an English translation or transcript.

A 100-word biography and photo of each entrant.

A high-res copy of the publication/broadcaster's logo.

A short motivation for the entry (maximum 500 words), including any background the judges should be aware of, an indication of the impact of the story and details of any significant challenge to the accuracy or fairness of the entry such as published letters, corrections, retractions, formal complaints or continuing court cases.

Broadcast entries must include a short video clip of the story for publicity purposes.

All entries must be received by Wits Journalism by 14H00 on **Friday 4th February 2022**.

No late entries will be accepted. Entrants will receive an acknowledgement of their entry within 48 hours.

Please pay close attention to these guidelines as entries may be excluded if they do not comply.

Questions and queries about the awards should be directed to tkuiperawards@gmail.com

The organisers retain the right to use any material in the winning entry for publicity and promotional purposes relating to the awards, providing full credit is given to the individuals and the media involved.