

THE SOCIETY GOLDEN GAVEL LIVE 2026



By nominating for the competition, you agree to the following conditions:

Senior Real Estate, General & Livestock:

- This year you will be judged in the field by doing a live real Auction by live streaming and uploading your Auctions to the Society's Golden Gavel Live event on the Society's Facebook page <https://bit.ly/3q1TGK0>.
- You will need to nominate to enter and pay the appropriate nomination fees prior to performing or no later than 28th February 2026 (**Nominations close 28th February 2026.**)
- Auctions to be judged **must be performed between 1st May 2025 and 23rd March 2026.**
- **The same rules will apply to Senior Real Estate, General & Livestock.**
- Candidates for Senior Real Estate, General and Livestock will submit a live Facebook feed from a smartphone which is streamed live onto the Society's Facebook event - One camera only, no editing – **we suggest you film in landscape on a tripod** as this gets a better video quality for viewing and judges.
- **The camera is to be on the Auctioneer - No filming of the crowd or bidders** (to stop potential intimidation) If the Auctioneer leaves the spot where they are conducting the Auction to go inside or to approach a bidder etc., let the camera run on facing the spot where the Auctioneer was standing. Penalties will apply if this is not adhered to.
- After the auction, you have the flexibility to submit or discard the recording. **You can upload as many auctions as you like** provided they meet the terms and conditions of the competition and they are also visible on the Society's 'Upcoming Auctions' app. **The last auction uploaded will be the one judged, unless prior to the closing date, you advise us which Auction you would like judged.**
- Questions and Answers will not be judged.
- **All entrants must like and follow the Society Facebook page prior to entering.**
- **All Auctions must be posted on the Society 'Upcoming Auctions' App, prior to conducting the auction, and the results entered post Auction.**

When choosing which Auction to be judged, don't be impressed by the sale price, submit your best performance as it will be your Auction that will be judged - not how far above reserve.

Senior Real Estate:

- You can upload as many Auctions as you like and by the closing date - please let us know via email prior to Monday 23rd March 2026 which auction you would like judged otherwise the last auction you upload to Society's Golden Gavel Live 2026 event on the Society's Facebook page will be the one that is judged.
- This year please supply for the Judges prior to Monday 23rd March 2026:
 - The Reserve and any amended reserve
 - How many registrations
 - How many actually bid
 - The Vendors single figure in the Agency Agreement
- There will be no final for the Senior Real Estate category, however, the Finalists will be announced and awarded at the Awards which will be held on Thursday 9th April 2026.

General & Livestock:

- General & Livestock Auctioneers are to submit the opening terms & conditions and at least 10 minutes of selling from any part of the auction but each segment must be continuous and unedited.
- All entrants must like and follow the Society Facebook page prior to entering.
- Your Auction must appear on the Society Upcoming Auction App.
- Please complete a booking form for the Golden Gavel Live Awards on 9th April 2026.

Rising Stars

- Rising Stars will perform at a designated location and will be judged on-site.
- The Rising Stars will perform by auctioning a property from a brochure and details supplied with the Finalists and or Outright Winner to be announced at the Awards on Thursday 9th April 2026.
 - To be eligible, you must have performed no more than 25 Real Estate Auctions in the field prior to the 28th of February 2026 and you have not won this award previously.
 - Rising Star Heats will be held on Wednesday 11th March 2026, and nominations for Rising Star must be in by 28th February 2026.
 - All participants will auction the same property.
 - The subject property will be provided to you several days prior to the event to allow for preparation.

Real Estate

Highest Price Sales at Auction

- Country Auctioneer
- Residential Auctioneer
- Commercial and Industrial Auctioneer

These Awards recognise the Auctioneers who have achieved the highest price sale at Auction, calculated from results submitted to the Society via our "Upcoming Auctions App" in the various categories from the previous calendar year.

General

General Auctioneers Highest Price Sales at Auction:

- GENERAL AUCTIONEER Highest Single Lot that you personally sold at Auction either in Rooms or on-site (From Previous Calendar Year)
- GENERAL AUCTIONEER Highest Sale Proceeds from an Auction that you predominately or fully conducted either in rooms or on-site (From Previous Calendar Year)
- Peter du Plessis Golden Pen Award for a Valuation that was significant either in Value or relating to the type of Assets (From Previous Calendar Year)

All Categories

- All Candidates in all categories must be a fully paid Member of the Society with no outstanding monies to the Society.
- **Each candidate must 'like' and 'follow' the Society's Facebook page, and details of the Auction to be submitted for judging must appear on the Society's 'Upcoming Auctions' App.**
- Entrants agree that video content submitted may be used by the Society and its affiliates for promotional purposes or otherwise during and beyond the competition.
- Entrants must make themselves available for photos and promotion.
- All participants must reside in South Australia to be eligible to enter and must be a current member of the Society of Auctioneers and Appraisers.
- All Auctions must be conducted compliant with South Australian Legislation current at the time of your performance.
- **There are strict criteria as to how you can advertise and promote your status** in the competition and in all instances where you promote your participation, being a finalist or a winner, the Society must be mentioned and the award credentials must include the full description 'The Society' Golden Gavel Awards'.
Award Winners can only promote or refer to winning any award while being current members of the Society. If at any time membership of the Society is terminated, the member resigns or membership is canceled or lapses, no further reference can be made to any awards previously won or awarded.
- By nominating, you agree to the Conditions of Entry set out by the Society of Auctioneers & Appraisers (SA) Inc.
- Non-members are invited to join the Society prior to competing.

Nomination Form: <https://bit.ly/3yb7oAe>

Make sure you're familiar with the submission process found on the email you will receive the following nomination and will have easy access to the Facebook App on the day of the auction. We strongly recommend that you familiarise yourself with Facebook live streaming prior to your auction. **Scan the QR code to go straight to the Facebook event.**



For Senior Real Estate, General and Livestock and Rising Stars

10 or more entrants	- 5 Finalists - Winner
5-9 Entrants	- 3 Finalists - Winner
Under 5	- Winner only



CHECKLIST!



SENIOR REAL ESTATE, GENERAL, LIVESTOCK

- ★ Fill in the nomination form & make payment **prior to your Auction or by 28th February 2025** (whichever occurs first) to be eligible.
- ★ Are you a fully paid member of the Society with no outstanding monies?
- ★ Send a brochure of your property together with advice of the reserve price, any amended reserve, how many registrations and how many actually bid to admin@auctioneers.com.au (Real Estate only) prior to 23rd March 2026.
- ★ Post Auction details on the Society's 'Upcoming Auctions App' prior to your Auction and post subsequent result.
- ★ 'Like' & 'Follow' the Society of Auctioneers & Appraisers (SA) Inc. on Facebook Click 'attending' on the Society's Golden Gavel Live 2026 event page.
- ★ Book for the Golden Gavel Live Awards.
- ★ Test live stream on Facebook BEFORE performance, test landscape mode.
- ★ Live stream your Auction between 1st May 2025 and 23rd March 2026.
Suggestion: Use a tripod, camera **not** facing the sun & close to the Auctioneer and film in landscape mode (please test this prior to the Auction, contact us at 8372 7830 if you need help).
Reminder 1: NO filming/panning of the crowd or bidders at any point of the video.
Reminder 2: The camera has to be on the Auctioneer at all times. If the Auctioneer goes to talk to a bidder, let the camera run on facing the spot where the Auctioneer was standing.
Reminder 3: Subsequent entries are permitted. We will **judge the last entry**, unless you advise us which Auction you would liked judged by the closing date.
- ★ **Advertising:** Being a finalist or a winner, 'The Society' must be mentioned and the Award credentials must include the full description 'Society's Golden Gavel Awards' (more details under All Categories in Conditions of Entry).

RISING STARS REAL ESTATE

- ★ Fill in the nomination form & make payment before 28th February 2026 to be eligible.
 - ★ Are you a fully paid member of the Society with no outstanding monies?
 - ★ I have not won this award previously.
 - ★ I have not performed more than 25 Real Estate Auctions in the field prior to 28th February 2026
 - ★ 'Like' & 'Follow' the Society of Auctioneers & Appraisers (SA) Inc. on Facebook.
 - ★ I can attend the Rising Star Heats on Wednesday, March 11th 2026.
 - ★ I can attend the Awards on 9th April 2026.
- Advertising:** Being a finalist or a winner, the Society must be mentioned and the Award credentials must include the full description 'The Society' Golden Gavel Awards' (more details under All Categories in Conditions of Entry).



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