



STC Australia Chapter  
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**Society for Technical Communication  
Australia Chapter  
Technical Communication Competition  
2011**



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## **Call for Judges**

**Build on your professional qualifications**, while **networking** with other technical communications professionals by participating as a judge in the 2011 STC Australia Competition.

### **Who is STC?**

The Society for Technical Communication (STC) is an organisation dedicated to the advancement of technical communication. Comprising over 20,000 members, it is the largest organisation of its type in the world.

### **What is the STC competition?**

The STC competitions recognise individuals and groups for excellence in technical communication. STC competitions are held locally, regionally, and internationally. **STC Australia will be hosting three competitions: technical publications, technical art and online communication.**

### **Who are STC judges?**

STC judges are technical communications professionals. You do not have to be a member of STC to be a judge.

### **What qualifications are required?**

Judges must:

- Be able to perform judging tasks individually and as part of a team.
- Have the time to complete the judging in the timeframe specified.
- Have professional certification or a degree in technical communication or a related field **OR** have practised technical communication for a minimum of 5 years.
- (Bonus) Have related publishing experience, such as relevant technical communication articles and/or books.
- (Bonus) Have teaching experience in communication or a related field.

### **What is the timeframe for judging?**

Competition entries are being accepted until 5 December 2011. Judging commences immediately thereafter.

**Individual judging:** 5–18 December 2011

**Team (consensus) judging:** 19–21 December 2011

**Best of Show judging:** 21–23 December 2011

### **What tools do judges receive to assist in judging?**

Prior to judging, judges receive a judge's packet, which includes category-specific evaluation forms. Additionally, the Competitions Manager is available to answer questions and provide support.

### **What awards are given?**

- Best of Show\*
- Distinguished Technical Communication (DTC)
- Excellence
- Merit

\*One Best of Show award may be presented for each of the three competitions. Winners of the Distinguished and Best of Show award qualify for international competitions.

### **What happens to the judges' evaluation forms?**

Submitters to the competition receive the judges' thorough and thoughtful evaluation forms. This professional critique is a major benefit for submitters and contributors.

### **Deadlines and where to submit**

Deadline for returning the judge application form:  
**18 November 2011.**

### **Contact** (for queries and to submit forms):

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