



NZ Cosmetic Tattooist of the Year 2026

Who can enter this category?

Any Cosmetic Tattooist with:

- NZARBP membership
- At least two years of experience
- No serious complaints received about their work to date.
- Current First Aid certificate

How do I enter this category?

1. Read the information below to understand the requirements for entering this category
2. Register and make payment to enter this category by completing the Registration Form here: <https://bit.ly/Register2026>
3. Upon receipt of payment, the Awards Administrator will forward you a link to the Category Entry Form
4. Minimum criteria must be met to be eligible for selection
5. Complete the Category Entry Form, upload your submission and submit it by **06 October 2025**
6. Finalists will be interviewed in **November 2025**

What do I need to provide?

Please prepare a submission for *NZ Cosmetic Tattooist of the Year 2026* and include the following:

Contact Details:

Please provide the following contact details with your application:

- Full name
- Clinic name and address
- Email address
- Contact phone number
- Date

Questions:

1. Tell us about yourself (30 points) (1000 words maximum)

Describe yourself as a Cosmetic Tattooist. Include the following:

- Describe your relevant experience, background and supply copies of qualifications
- Provide details of your skill set
- Detail your area of expertise
- Explain how you comply with NZARBP, Local Government and Central Government bylaws and regulations regarding health, hygiene and safety practices and infection control measures.
- Tell us your reasons for working in the industry

2. What are people saying about you and what have you achieved? (10 points)

- Please provide client/supplier endorsements and their contact details for verification
- Provide details of any awards previously won, including a copy of the certificate

3. Portfolio (50 points)

Provide a full portfolio, demonstrating different applications, techniques and styles. The portfolio must also contain at least 3 photos of healed results.

4. Video presentation (30 points)

- Provide us with a video of yourself – video must include service set up, infection control procedures and 2 minutes of a service
- remember this is the final thing the judges will see so make it count 😊

What happens next?

Entries must be received by **06 October 2025**. Any entries received after this date will not be accepted.

Finalist interviews will be conducted via video conferencing, with **dates to be confirmed**.

All Finalists are expected to attend the Awards ceremony in **February/March 2026 at Tote on Ascot, Ellerslie Racecourse, Auckland**. This is a formal event, and winners will be announced on the night.

NB: Please do NOT send your submission as an Apple pages document