

Investigative journalism award opens for entries

Journalists are encouraged to enter the seventh annual [Taco Kuiper Award](#), which celebrates outstanding examples of investigative journalism published or broadcast by South African media.



The deadline for entries is Wednesday, 20 February 2013 at 2pm, with the award ceremony taking place on Friday, 5 April 2013.

The award is open to print, broadcast and online journalists, or teams of up to three journalists, who have covered a single story or a series of related stories dealing with events and issues affecting South Africa, which must have been published or broadcast during 2012. The winner will receive a prize of R200,000 and the runner-up will receive R100,000.

In addition to the award, Taco Kuiper grants are available to encourage investigative journalism in South African print media.

Background

Taco Kuiper was a highly successful South African publisher who left a significant part of his estate to the promotion of investigative journalism. He believed that exposing matters of public concern, which those scrutinised, would not want to see disclosed was an important enterprise. It was for this reason that shortly before his death in September 2004, he set up a fund for investigative journalism within The Valley Trust. The Trust has partnered with the Wits Journalism Programme to administer the award.

For more, go to www.journalism.co.za/tacokuiper.