

Highest state honours awarded to 79 individuals

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According to the decision of the President of Latvia and Chapter of Orders of 4 April 2022, the highest state honours were awarded to 79 prominent members of the society. Order of the Three Stars has been awarded to 34 individuals, Order of Viesturs to 10 individuals and Cross of Recognition to 35 individuals. The highest state awards of Latvia have been bestowed upon recipients for their professional achievements, active civic stance and faithful service to Latvia, which deserves the highest praise at the state level.

Honours have been awarded to exceptional individuals of all backgrounds, including medical professionals, whose courage and dedication was crucial for maintaining public health and safety during the Covid-19 pandemic, outstanding creative personalities, military, border guard and State Police officers, who protect the security of Latvia, judicial system members, researchers, teachers, business managers, local government officials, national resistance movement members, historians, regional culture experts and notable public figures.

Recipients of the awards include people who have contributed to a stronger democracy, rule of law and nation state features of Latvia.

'As we celebrate the 32nd anniversary of renewed national independence, Chapter of Orders is happy to honour and acknowledge people whose commitment, professionalism and public activism have made everyone's life in Latvia better,' Sarmīte Ēlerte, Chairperson of the Chapter of Orders, said. 'State awards is the way for Latvian State to say thank you. It is an honour, but it also comes with a duty to commit oneself to continued loyal service to one's people and the state.'

On 4 April 2022, Chapter of Orders also decided to resume special awards ceremonies for presenting Order of the Three Stars, Order of Viesturs and Cross of Recognition, the highest state honours, according to Paragraph 1 of the Article 56 of the Law on State Decorations and in line with all applicable national public health and safety guidelines.

Additional information about the highest state honours and procedures for awarding of the orders is available on the [webpage](#) of the Presidential Chancery.

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