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2009 Tasmanian Training Awards Nominations open

The Tasmanian Training Awards are conducted annually by Skills Tasmania. Skills Tasmania has a firm commitment to the development of a high quality, efficient and effective system of vocational education and training, a commitment that represents a major contribution to the development of competitive advantage for Tasmanian industry. The Training Awards are held to raise the profile of vocational education and training in Tasmania.

The Awards recognise, reward and honour the achievements of apprentices, trainees and vocational students for their endeavours in gaining the highest standards of knowledge and skills within their industry. They also recognise and honour the achievements of employers, small businesses and training organisations for their dedication to providing the highest quality training and improving the skills of the workforce in this State. The Awards offer finalists the chance to gain personal satisfaction and opportunities in their industry, as well as the prestige of being part of an elite group of placegetters who unequivocally represent the State's best in vocational education and training.

Fourteen awards are offered:

Student Awards:

- Apprentice
- Trainee
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student
- Vocational Student
- VET in Schools Student
- School-based Apprentice or Trainee



*Florence Wren, 2008
Trainee of the Year*

Business Awards:

- Employer
- Small Business
- Training Initiative
- Registered Training Organisation
- VET in Schools Excellence

Equity Awards:

- Equity Award for an Individual - Apprentice or Trainee
- Equity Award for an Individual - Vocational Student
- Equity Award for an Employer

Dates for your Diary

20 Apr	What to expect from an AQTF audit (Hobart)
18-19 May	Skills Tasmania Conference 2009 (Launceston)
29 May	2009 Tasmanian Training Awards – nominations close at 5.00pm
2 Jun	edna workshop (Launceston)
9 Jun	Trade Training Centres in Schools Program – applications for Round Two close
28 Aug	2009 Tasmanian Training Awards – Gala Dinner (Hobart)

Nominations close at 5.00pm on Friday 29 May.

Awards will be presented at a Gala Dinner at Wrest Point on **Friday 28 August**.

Winners of the Student Awards for Apprentice, Trainee, Vocational Student and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student will automatically represent Tasmania at the 2009 Australian Training Awards. The School-based Apprentice of the Year Award recipient must be a Certificate III student to represent the State at the Awards. All costs are covered by the Australian Government Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR).

Business Award recipients will have their submissions forwarded to DEEWR for assessment by a DEEWR nominated selection panel. Shortlisted finalists in each award will be interviewed and invited to attend the presentation dinner in November where winners will be announced. All costs are covered by DEEWR.

Selection criteria and nomination forms are available at:

www.skills.tas.gov.au/trainingawards09

For further information contact awards co-ordinator

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2009 Skills Tasmania Conference

18 & 19 May, Country Club Tasmania, Launceston

Registration form, preliminary program and workshop

information now available at: www.skills.tas.gov.au/conference

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