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AUSTRALIAN TRAINING AWARDS

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SEAFOOD TRAINING TASMANIA 2014 SMALL TRAINING PROVIDER OF THE YEAR

The Small Training Provider of the Year Award recognises a registered training organisation that has demonstrated outstanding achievement in all aspects of the delivery of vocational education and training.

Seafood Training Tasmania is the largest training provider to Tasmania's seafood industry. Since commencing operations in 1986 as the Fishing Industry Training Board, the small training provider has grown to offer 18 nationally recognised courses to more than 600 students annually. In 2014, it was awarded the Small Training Provider of the Year Award at the Australian Training Awards.

"Whilst we have won awards both at state and national level from the seafood industry, winning this award is particularly gratifying. The feedback we have received from staff, board members and clients reinforces our view that winning this award is a career and organisational highlight for all involved," said Rory Byrne, Chief Executive Officer of Seafood Training Tasmania.

"The Australian Training Awards showcase the VET sector, which is often underestimated as a big contributor to Australia's economic prosperity. The awards programme raises the profile of VET and rewards those that work hard to improve themselves, and our country's skills. It was a great experience," Rory said.

Based in Hobart, Seafood Training Tasmania employs nine permanent staff and more than 20 trainer/assessors. The company offers certificate and diploma level courses in aquaculture, seafood processing, fishing operations and maritime operations.

"At Seafood Training Tasmania, we develop real partnerships with industry. On a regular basis we share staff and resources (such as vessels, latest equipment

and operating systems) with our clients. We deliver in very isolated areas and provide a one-stop-shop for most maritime licencing. In a nutshell, we go that extra yard in service provision.

"It's our relationships with fishermen, fish farmers, fish processors, ferry operators and marine scientists that sets us apart. From farm hands to managers, from Dover to Smithton, from family businesses to ASX listed companies, these enterprises are the backbone of our success. In recent years our partnerships with schools, colleges and the University of Tasmania have extended our delivery into new qualifications that will further assist industry with their workforce needs," Rory said.

ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN TRAINING AWARDS

Each year, the Australian Training Awards recognise and celebrate the outstanding achievements of Australian Apprentices, vocational students, training practitioners, businesses, secondary schools, industry and registered training organisations for their contribution to skilling Australia.

The majority of the awards are the culmination of the state and territory awards programs with winners from each state and territory eligible to compete at the national level in aligned categories.

There are also seven award categories available by entering directly to the Australian Training Awards.

Individual

- Lifetime Achievement Award (**direct entry**)
- Australian School-based Apprentice of the Year Award
- Vocational Student of the Year Award
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year Award
- Australian Apprentice (Trainee) of the Year Award
- Australian Apprentice of the Year Award
- VET Teacher/Trainer of the Year Award
- National Achievement Award (**direct entry**)
- Excellence in Language, Literacy and Numeracy Practice Award (**direct entry**)

Business

- Small Employer of the Year Award
- Employer of the Year Award
- Industry Collaboration Award
- Australian Apprenticeships - Employer Award (**direct entry**)
- Disability Training - Employer Award (**direct entry**)

Registered Training Organisation

- Small Training Provider of the Year Award
- Large Training Provider of the Year Award
- International Training Provider of the Year Award* (**direct entry**)
- School Pathways to VET Award (**direct entry**)

* Applications for this award are made directly to the Australian Training Awards in all states and territories except Western Australia where applications must be made direct to the WA Training Awards.

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WHY APPLY?

The awards offer its participants Australia-wide recognition for exceptional training outcomes and an opportunity to become known as the best-of-the-best, nationally.

For individuals, the awards can open up networks and career opportunities within the business sector and provide you with the opportunity to become a national ambassador for skills to promote the vocational education and training sector at a national level.

For businesses and registered training organisations, the awards can propel you into the national spotlight positioning you as a front runner in skills and workforce development and leader in best practice which sets you apart from the competition and makes you an employer, or registered training organisation, of choice.

