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WA HOTEL & HOSPITALITY AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

Over 1000 people celebrated excellence in Western Australia's hotel and hospitality industry at the AHA Hotel and Hospitality Awards for Excellence held in the Grand Ballroom at Burswood Entertainment Complex this evening.

Finalists and winners across 44 categories were recognised for their achievements in areas of hospitality, service, food and beverage.

Australian Hotels Association (WA) CEO, Bradley Woods, said the standards of the WA Hotel and Hospitality Industry has never been so high. "Consumers expect quality hospitality venues with an international range of services and products."

WA's Best Hospitality Venue for 2011 was presented to Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth. Perth's Pub of the Year award went to The Hyde Park Hotel and Yallinyup's Caves House Hotel took out WA's Best Regional Venue Award.

Notable awards also included:

- Sonja Gastevich received the Hospitality Industry Lifetime Achievement Award
- Best Bistro Award went to by The Brook Bar and Bistro
- Sporting Entertainment Award had joint winners of The Paddington Alehouse and The Inglewood Hotel
- Small Bar Award won by, Five Bar

"The AHA-Aon Hotel and Hospitality Awards for Excellence continue to be the most prestigious awards night for the industry and I would like to congratulate all our finalists and winners."

A full list of winners follows this release.

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2011 AHA-AON HOTEL AND HOSPITALITY AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE WINNERS

GENERAL AWARDS

Aon Risk Services Community Service Award Winner: **Cuballing Tavern**

The Lion Bar Presentation and Service Award *Winner: The Breakwater (Hall of Fame Inductee)*

Responsible Service of Alcohol Award sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil Winner: Wentworth Plaza Hotel

Training Initiative Award sponsored by Hospitality Group Training Winner: **Parmelia Hilton Perth** Certificate of Merit: **The Royal on the Waterfront**

School/Community Partnership Training Award sponsored by FutureNow Winner: **Burswood Entertainment Complex**

Hotel Innovation Award sponsored by Trans Tasman Energy Group Winner: **The Brook Bar and Bistro**

Marketed Hotel Award sponsored by Premium Beverages Winner: **The Gate Bar and Bistro** Certificate of Merit: **The Village Bar**

Retail Bottleshop Outlet Award sponsored by ME Bank Winner: **Raffles Hotel**

Safe Cellar Award sponsored by BOC Winner: **The Shed (Hall of Fame Inductee)**

Small Bar Award sponsored by SITA Environmental Services Winner: Five Bar

Mixology and Cocktail Menu Award sponsored by Schweppes Winner: Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth



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Late Night Venue Award sponsored by Easy Payroll Winner: Malt Supper Club

Environmental Initiative Award sponsored by Synergy Winner: Eco Beach Broome

Tourism Initiative Award sponsored by Tourism Western Australia Winner: **Pinctada Cable Beach**

Redeveloped Venue Award sponsored by Utopia Industries Winner: **The Hyde Park Hotel**

Outdoor Area Award Winner: **M on the Point**

Winery Cellar Door Award sponsored by Mosman Glass Winner: Laurance Wines Certificate of Merit: Black Swan Wines

Boutique Brewery Award sponsored by BOC Winner: Matso's Broome Brewery

Conference and Banquet Award sponsored by Perth Convention Bureau Winner: **Pan Pacific Perth**

Pub/Hotel Accommodation Award sponsored by Mal Atwell Winner: The Bull and Bush Tavern

EMPLOYEE AWARDS

Bar Services Employee Award sponsored by HLW (WA) Winner: Jason Juraszek, Universal Bar (Hall of Fame Inductee) Certificate of Merit: Leighton Hurring, Andaluz Bar and Tapas

Cookery Services Employee Award sponsored by ISA Group Joint Winners: Kim-Marie Thompson, Pan Pacific Perth Joint Winners: Telina Menzies, The Publican Group Australia



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Front Office Services Employee Award sponsored by HOSTPLUS Winner: Andre Burford, Pan Pacific Perth

Food and Beverage Services Employee Award sponsored by Staging Connections Winner: **Troy Landers, The Inglewood Hotel**

Administration Employee Award sponsored by HOSTPLUS Winner: Jo Greaves, Parmelia Hilton Perth Certificate of Merit: Amanda Mun, Esplanade Hotel Fremantle

Excellence in Service Award sponsored by Easy Payroll Winner: Ben Powell, 399 Bar

AHA – HGT Hotel Industry Rising Star Award sponsored by AHA(WA) and Hospitality Group Training Winner: **Callum Rogers, Burswood Entertainment Complex** Certificate of Merit: **Kallen Bond, The Gate Bar and Bistro**

PubTAB Operator sponsored by Racing and Wagering Western Australia Winner: **Tracey Klopper, Attfield Tavern** Certificate of Merit: **Greta Downey, The Charles Hotel**

Venue Manager Award sponsored by HISCO Hospitality & Healthcare Winner: David Best, Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth

ENTERTAINMENT AWARDS

Tab Hotel/PubTAB Venue Award sponsored by Racing and Wagering Western Australia Winner: Attfield Tavern Certificate of Merit: The Gate Bar and Bistro

Sporting Entertainment Venue Award sponsored by FOX SPORTS Joints Winners: **The Paddington Ale House** Joints Winners: **The Inglewood Hotel**

Live Entertainment Venue Award sponsored by APRA/AMCOS Winner: Settlers Tavern Certificate of Merit: Sandalford Wines

Themed Bar Award sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil Winner: **Durty Nelly's Irish Pub**



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DINING AWARDS

Steak Sandwich Award sponsored by Meat Direct Winner: The Village Bar

Bar Menu Award sponsored by Customers ATM Winner: Andaluz Bar and Tapas

Bistro Award sponsored by Accolade Wines Winner: **The Brook Bar and Bistro**

Casual Family Dining Award sponsored by Perth Glory FC Winner: Sea Gardens Café Restaurant

Restaurant Award sponsored by Robert Oatley Vineyards Winner: Galileo Buona Cucina

Restaurant within a Hotel Award sponsored by 92.9 Winner: Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth

Hotel Wine List Award sponsored by Miles from Nowhere Joint Winners: Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth Joint Winners: Steves Fine Wine and Food

OVERALL AWARDS WA's Best Regional Venue 2011 *sponsored by H & L Australia Winner:* **Caves House Hotel**

The AHA De Bortoli/6PR Perth's Pub of the Year sponsored by AHA, De Bortoli and 6PR Winner: **The Hyde Park Hotel**

WA's Best Hospitality Venue 2011 sponsored by Furniture Options Winner: Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth

Hospitality Industry Lifetime Achievement Award Winner: Sonja Gastevich