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HOTELS AND HOSPITALITY VENUES RECOGNISED AT AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

The Australian Hotels Association, Western Australia, has announced the winners for the 2013 Hotel and Hospitality Awards for Excellence, showcasing venues and hospitality businesses from across the state.

AHA(WA) CEO, Bradley Woods, said “the AHA Aon Hotel and Hospitality Awards for Excellence recognise accommodation hotels, pubs, bars, dining and entertainment venues as well as employees that demonstrate excellence within the hospitality industry. There was tough competition in all award categories”.

“This year, hospitality venues in Western Australia have again provided excellent venues and services for the public to enjoy.”

“The awards categories included WA’s Best Small Bar, WA’s Best New Venue, WA’s Best Steak Sandwich and WA’s Hospitality Venue of the Year”.

Forty-two awards were presented by the AHA(WA) recognising the best of the hospitality industry in Western Australia.

Almost 1200 guests joined the finalists and award recipients in celebrating excellence at the James Squire Gala Ball on Monday evening, 11 November, at Crown Perth.

A full list of winners can be found below or online at: www.hospitalitywa.com/awards

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2013 AHA-AON Hotel & Hospitality Awards for Excellence
presented at the
James Squire Gala Ball

VENUE AWARDS

WA’s Best Community Service Venue
sponsored by Aon Risk Services
Finalists:
Boab Tavern
Murphy’s Irish Pub
Settlers Tavern
The Gate Bar and Bistro

Winner: Murphy's Irish Pub

WA’s Best Bar Presentation and Service Venue
sponsored by Lion
Finalists:
Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Blanche Bar
Five Bar
Luxe Bar
Malt Supper Club
Mechanics Institute
Paddington Alehouse
Print Hall
Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
The Bohème Bar & Restaurant
The Classroom
The Generous Squire
The Heritage Brasserie
Varnish on King

Winner: Print Hall

WA’s Best Responsible Service of Alcohol Venue
sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil
Finalists:
Five Bar
Kingsway Bar and Bistro
Last Drop Tavern
Settlers Tavern
The Bohème Bar & Restaurant
The Breakwater
The Classroom
The Moon and Sixpence
The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
Tony Roma’s Restaurant

Winner: Settlers Tavern
WA’s Best Training Initiative

*sponsored by* Hospitality Group Training

**Finalists:**
Boab Tavern
Crowne Plaza Perth
Holiday Inn Perth City Centre
Kimberley Accommodation
Last Drop Tavern
Parmelia Hilton Perth
The Heritage Brasserie
The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
The Royal on The Waterfront

**Joint Winners:** Kimberley Accommodation
Parmelia Hilton Perth (Hall of Fame)

**Highly Commended:** The Royal on The Waterfront

WA’s Best Retail Bottleshop

*sponsored by* Trans Tasman Energy Group

**Finalists:**
Boab Tavern
Kingsway Bar and Bistro
Paddington Alehouse
Raffles Hotel
The Gate Bar and Bistro
The Sovereign Arms

**Winner:** Raffles Hotel

WA’s Best Small Bar

*sponsored by* 21st Century Business Equipment

**Finalists:**
Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Bar Lafayette
Blanche Bar
Five Bar
Frisk Small Bar
Mechanics Institute
Swallow
The Classroom
Varnish on King

**Winner:** Bar Lafayette

**Highly Commended:** Mechanics Institute
**Highly Commended:** Varnish on King
**WA's Best Cocktail Bar**  
sponsored by Asahi Premium Beverages  
**Finalists:**  
Andaluz Bar & Tapas  
Bar Lafayette  
Blanche Bar  
GRAND Central Park  
Luxe Bar  
Morries Anytime  
Niche Bar  
Pure Bar  
Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth  
The Classroom  
The Heritage Brasserie  
The Laneway Lounge  

**Winner:** The Classroom  
**Highly Commended:** Luxe Bar  
**Highly Commended:** Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth

**WA's Best Late Night Venue**  
sponsored by Red Bull Australia  
**Finalists:**  
Brass Monkey Hotel  
Malt Supper Club  
Niche Bar  
The Elephant and Wheelbarrow  
The Moon and Sixpence  
The Shed  
The Sovereign Arms  
Universal Bar  

**Winner:** Universal Bar

**WA's Best Environmental Practice**  
sponsored by Synergy  
**Finalists:**  
Holiday Inn Perth City Centre  
Karratha International Hotel  

**Winner:** Karratha International Hotel

**WA's Best Tourism Initiative**  
sponsored by Tourism Western Australia  
**Finalists:**  
Black Swan Wines  
Elmar’s in the Valley  
Settlers Tavern  

**Winner:** Elmar’s in the Valley

**Commitment to Workforce Development Practices Award**  
sponsored by FutureNow  
**Finalists:**  
Fitzroy River Lodge  
Five Bar  
The Gate Bar and Bistro  

**Winner:** The Gate Bar and Bistro
WA's Best Safe Cellar
sponsored by BOC
Finalists:
Bailey Bar and Bistro
Murphy's Irish Pub
The Breakwater
Wentworth Plaza Hotel

Joint Winners: The Breakwater
               Bailey Bar and Bistro

WA's Best Outdoor Area
Finalists:
Boab Tavern
Brass Monkey Hotel
Elmar's in the Valley
Fitzroy River Lodge
High Wycombe Tavern
Print Hall
The Breakwater
The Garden
The Moon and Sixpence
The Shed
Zanders at Cable Beach

Winner: The Shed

WA's Best Boutique Brewery
sponsored by BOC
Finalists:
Cheeky Monkey Brewery
Colonial Brewing Company
Eagle Bay Brewing Co
Elmar’s in the Valley
Last Drop Tavern
Matso's Broome Brewery
The Generous Squire
The Monk

Winner: Cheeky Monkey Brewery

WA's Best Conference and Functions
sponsored by Perth Convention Bureau
Finalists:
Fitzroy River Lodge
Hyatt Regency Perth
Luxe Bar
Pan Pacific Perth
The Breakwater
The Butterworth Bar & Kitchen
The Wembley Hotel

Joint Winners: Hyatt Regency Perth
               The Breakwater
WA's Best Redeveloped Venue
sponsored by Mal Atwell Billiards and Bingo
Finalists:
Brass Monkey Hotel
Newman Hotel
The Butterworth Bar & Kitchen
The Craftsman
The Esplanade Hotel Port Hedland

Winner: The Esplanade Hotel Port Hedland

WA's Best New Venue
sponsored by LED4Me
Finalists:
Bar Lafayette
Blanche Bar
Chefz Table
Clancy's Fish Pub Dunsborough
Currambine Bar & Bistro
GRAND Central Park
Jamie's Italian Perth
Lo Zucchero
Morries Anytime
Print Hall
The Laneway Lounge
The Stables
The Terrace Hotel
Varnish on King

Winner: Print Hall
Highly Commended: The Stables

EMPLOYEE AWARDS

WA's Best Cookery Services Employee
sponsored by Chaîne Des Rôtisseurs
Finalists:
Michael Williamson - Black Swan Wines
Khoi Tran - Crowne Plaza Perth
Karl McPhail - Fitzroy River Lodge
Adam Court - Five Bar
Deb Halder - Holiday Inn Perth City Centre
Nadine McAllister - Murphy's Irish Pub
Rick Houston - Settlers Tavern
Adam Knox - The Belmont Tavern
Nicholas French - The Butterworth Bar & Kitchen
Ryan Larsen - The Classroom
Nicholas Birrell - The Gate Bar and Bistro
Matthew Carulei - Varnish on King

Winner: Nicholas Birrell - The Gate Bar and Bistro
Highly Commended: Nadine McAllister - Murphy's Irish Pub

WA's Best Front Office Services Employee
sponsored by HOSTPLUS
Finalists:
Amy Lumley - Crowne Plaza Perth
Aryo Suryoputro - Holiday Inn Perth City Centre
Bradley Smith - Parmelia Hilton Perth

Winner: Bradley Smith - Parmelia Hilton Perth
WA's Best Food and Beverage Services Employee
sponsored by Staging Connections
Finalists:
Daniel Janes - Black Swan Wines
Grace Jong - Crowne Plaza Perth
Mary Fenlon - Holiday Inn Perth City Centre
Mark Shannon - Luxe Bar
Evans Kamfwa - Pan Pacific Perth
Luana Casilli - The Brook Bar and Bistro
Troy Landers - The Inglewood Hotel
Jeremy Cole - Universal Bar
Josh van der Linde - White Salt

Winner: Josh van der Linde - White Salt
Highly Commended: Troy Landers - The Inglewood Hotel

WA's Best Administration Employee
sponsored by HOSTPLUS
Finalists:
Cara Maslin - Black Swan Wines
Gabrielle Macdonald - Eagle Bay Brewing Co
Karen White - Esplanade River Suites
Lazelle Ramsamy - Four Points by Sheraton Perth
Angela Ettridge - Kimberley Accommodation
Jennifer Mayor - Pan Pacific Perth
Kerry Rafferty - Settlers Tavern
Debra Harvey - The Brook Bar and Bistro
Kristina Broqvist - The Heritage Brasserie

Winner: Gabrielle Macdonald - Eagle Bay Brewing Co
Highly Commended: Cara Maslin - Black Swan Wines

WA's Best PubTAB Operator
sponsored by TAB
Finalists:
Donna York - Boab Tavern
Kathleen Thorne - Herdsman Lake Tavern
Heather Fink - Pig & Whistle
Casey Higby - The Brook Bar and Bistro

Winner: Donna York - Boab Tavern

WA's Best Mixologist
sponsored by DIAGEO
Finalists:
Matteo Pez - Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Andrea Cardellini - Bar Lafayette
Daniel Farr - Blanche Bar
Kenny Soetomo - Luxe Bar
Billy Phillips - Morries Anytime
Navdeep Anand - Pan Pacific Perth
Sheldon Hendry - Pure Bar
David Nguyen-Luu - Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
Andrew Bennett - The Classroom
Joe Sinagra - The Heritage Brasserie
Thiago Santos - The Laneway Lounge

Winner: David Nguyen-Luu - Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
Highly Commended: Billy Phillips - Morries Anytime
Highly Commended: Sheldon Hendry - Pure Bar
WA's Best Sommelier
sponsored by Fine Wine Wholesalers
Finalists:
Daniel Wegener - Print Hall
Richard Healy - Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
Rabin Param - The Heritage Brasserie
Antonio Vilaca - The Terrace Hotel

Winner: Daniel Wegener - Print Hall
Highly Commended: Antonio Vilaca - The Terrace Hotel

WA's Best Excellence in Service Employee
sponsored by Easy Payroll
Finalists:
Lara Ducie - Blanche Bar
Steven Taji - Esplanade River Suites
Ben Powell - Five Bar
Amelia Ionnades - Luxe Bar
Michael Priest - Settlers Tavern
Andrew Bennett - The Classroom
Gemma Burgess - The Cornerstone Ale House
Stephanie Orso - The Sovereign Arms
Chelsea Allan - Tony Roma’s Restaurant
Brett Lubicz - Universal Bar
Chelsea Woodbridge - Whale + Ale
Madi Macoboy - White Salt

Winner: Andrew Bennett - The Classroom
Highly Commended: Steven Taji - Esplanade River Suites

WA's Best Rising Star
sponsored by Australian Hotels Association (WA) and Hospitality Group Training
Finalists:
Caitlin Webb - Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Ksenia Zaychuk - Crowne Plaza Perth
Demi-Rae Leca - Esplanade River Suites
Mitchell Goff - Four Points by Sheraton Perth
Kristy Budgen - The Heritage Brasserie

Winner: Caitlin Webb - Andaluz Bar & Tapas

WA's Best Venue Manager
sponsored by HISCO
Finalists:
Jako Kurn - Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Lara Ducie - Blanche Bar
Rachel Craddock - Clarences
Lee Behan - Durty Nelly’s
Bree Higgins - Eagle Bay Brewing Co
Andrew McIntyre - Five Bar
Craig Dobbs - Last Drop Tavern
Simon Hough - Luxe Bar
Ines Turk - Parmelia Hilton Perth
Damon McMillen - Settlers Tavern
Andrew Bennett - The Classroom
Matthew Marinich - The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
Stephen Dervin - The Shed
Brett Lubicz - Universal Bar

Winner: Matthew Marinich - The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
Highly Commended: Andrew McIntyre - Five Bar
Highly Commended: Damon McMillen - Settlers Tavern
ENTERTAINMENT AWARDS

WA’s Best Hotel TAB Venue
sponsored by TAB
Finalists:
Boab Tavern
Paddington Alehouse
Port Kennedy Tavern
The Brook Bar and Bistro
The Chase Bar and Bistro
The Gate Bar and Bistro

Winner: Boab Tavern

WA’s Best Sporting Entertainment Venue
sponsored by FOX SPORTS Venues
Finalists:
Bailey Bar and Bistro
Boab Tavern
High Wycombe Tavern
Murphy's Irish Pub
Paddington Alehouse
Port Kennedy Tavern
The Chase Bar and Bistro
The Inglewood Hotel
The Royal on The Waterfront
The Shed
The Wembley Hotel

Winner: The Inglewood Hotel
Highly Commended: Bailey Bar and Bistro

WA’s Best Live Entertainment Venue
sponsored by APRA I AMCOS
Finalists:
Brass Monkey Hotel
Paddington Alehouse
Settlers Tavern
The Elephant and Wheelbarrow
The Laneway Lounge
The Rosemount Hotel
The Shed
The William Street Bird
Universal Bar
Ya Ya’s

Winner: Settlers Tavern
Highly Commended: Ya Ya’s

WA’s Best Themed Venue
sponsored by Coca-Cola Amatil
Finalists:
Durty Nelly’s
Kitsch Bar Asia
Murphy’s Irish Pub
The Moon and Sixpence
The Classroom
The Elephant and Wheelbarrow
The Laneway Lounge
Varnish on King

Winner: The Laneway Lounge
DINING AWARDS

WA's Best Steak Sandwich
sponsored by Meat Direct
Finalists:
Southerly's Harbour View Bar & Restaurant
The Merrywell

Winner: The Merrywell

WA's Best Contemporary Bar Menu
sponsored by Accolade Wines
Finalists:
Andaluz Bar & Tapas
Blanche Bar
Kitsch Bar Asia
Morries Anytime
The Breakwater
The Laneway Lounge
Varnish on King

Winner: Morries Anytime

WA's Best Public Bar Menu
sponsored by Allstates Liquor Wholesalers
Finalists:
Fitzroy River Lodge
Paddington Alehouse
The Brook Bar and Bistro
The Cure Tavern
The Gate Bar and Bistro

Winner: The Gate Bar and Bistro

WA's Best Casual Pub Dining
sponsored by Australian Event Protection
Finalists:
Clancy's Fish Pub Dunsborough
Greenwood Hotel
M On The Point
Mash Brewing Rockingham
Port Kennedy Tavern
Sail and Anchor
Settlers Tavern
The Brook Bar and Bistro
The Burrendah Tavern
The Cure Tavern
The Inglewood Hotel
The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
The Royal on The Waterfront
The Sovereign Arms
Whale + Ale

Winner: Settlers Tavern
**WA's Best Family Dining**

*-sponsored by National Foodservice Equipment*

*Finalists:*
- Bailey Bar and Bistro
- Boab Tavern
- Cheeky Monkey Brewery
- Eaton Tavern
- High Wycombe Tavern
- Kingsway Bar and Bistro
- Last Drop Tavern
- Lo Zucchero
- Mash Rockingham
- The Brook Bar and Bistro
- The Quarie Bar & Brasserie
- Tony Roma’s Restaurant

**Winner:** Tony Roma’s Restaurant

**Highly Commended:** High Wycombe Tavern

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**WA's Best Informal Restaurant**

*-sponsored by 92.9 and Mix 94.5*

*Finalists:*
- Black Swan Wines
- Blanche Bar
- Boab Tavern
- Jamie's Italian Perth
- Paddington Alehouse
- Print Hall - Apple Daily
- Ria
- The Esplanade Hotel, Port Hedland
- The Monk
- Tony Roma’s Restaurant
- Whistling Kite
- White Salt
- Zanders at Cable Beach

**Winner:** Whistling Kite

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**WA's Best Premium Restaurant**

*-sponsored by Treasury Wine Estates*

*Finalists:*
- C Restaurant
- Chefz Table
- Pan Pacific Perth - Origins Restaurant
- Print Hall - Dining Room
- Restaurant Amusé
- Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
- The Breakwater - ISHKA Restaurant
- The Butterworth Bar & Kitchen
- The Heritage Brasserie
- The Terrace Hotel

**Winner:** Restaurant Amusé
WA’s Best Wine List
sponsored by Miles From Nowhere
Finalists:
Andaluz Bar & Tapas
C Restaurant
Clarences
GRAND Central Park
Print Hall
Raffles Hotel
Rockpool Bar & Grill Perth
The Breakwater
The Heritage Brasserie
The Royal on The Waterfront
The Terrace Hotel

Winner: Print Hall

OVERALL AWARDS

WA’s Best Regional Venue of the Year
sponsored by H & L Australia
Finalists:
Balingup Tavern
Blanche Bar, Karratha
Colonial Brewing Company, Margaret River
Eagle Bay Brewing Co, Naturaliste
Fitzroy River Lodge
Lake King Tavern
M On The Point, Mandurah
Matso's Broome Brewery
Morries Anytime, Margaret River
Murphy’s Irish Pub, Mandurah
Settlers Tavern, Margaret River
Zanders at Cable Beach

Winner: Eagle Bay Brewing Co

The AHA De Bortoli/6PR Perth’s Pub of the Year
sponsored by Australian Hotels Association (WA), De Bortoli Wines and 6PR
Finalists:
Boab Tavern
Botanica Bar & Bistro
Hyde Park Hotel
Kewdale Tavern
Port Kennedy Tavern
The Gate Bar and Bistro
Whistling Kite

Winner: The Gate Bar and Bistro

WA’s Best Hospitality Venue of the Year
sponsored by Furniture Options

Winner: Print Hall