



MEDIA STATEMENT

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MEMBER FOR WEST SWAN



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NOMINATE NOW IN THE 2011 WA TRAINING AWARDS

The best of WA's students, trainers and organisations will be recognised in this year's Western Australian Training Awards, local Member for West Swan Rita Saffioti said today.

"These awards are an opportunity for us to publicly recognise and congratulate apprentices, trainees and vocational students who work hard learning their craft and strive to be future leaders in their fields," she said.

"It is also a chance to acknowledge the trainers, employers and organisations who work hard to give Western Australian workers the essential skills the State needs, as well increased opportunities available for Western Australians."

Ms Saffioti said nominations open on Monday April 4, 2011 for awards in the following categories for:

- WA Apprentice of the Year;
- WA School-based Apprentice of the Year;
- WA Trainee of the Year;
- WA Vocational Student of the Year;
- WA Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year;
- WA Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Training Award; and
- WA Trainer of the Year.

Ms Saffioti said organisations that have been outstanding in their training practices can be nominated in the following categories:

- WA Small Business of the Year;
- WA Employer of the Year;
- WA VET in Schools Excellence;
- WA Training Initiative;
- WA Small Training Provider of the Year;
- WA Large Training Provider of the Year; and
- WA International Training Provider of the Year.

"Winners will be announced at a presentation dinner in September and they will have the chance to represent WA at the Australian Training Awards in Sydney," Ms Saffioti said.

Applications close on Friday May 13, 2011. For further information or an application package please contact Rita Saffioti's office on 9248 3822 or westswan@mp.wa.gov.au

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