



UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

World Environment Day Awards 2009

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FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The United Nations Association of Australia today announces the finalists in this year's World Environment Day Awards (see attached list).

Held as part of celebrations for the United Nations' World Environment Day (5 June), these Awards acknowledge actions taken at a local level to address global environmental issues. The 2009 United Nations World Environment Day theme, 'Your Planet Needs You- UNite to Combat Climate Change' reflects the urgent need for nations to work together and in particular develop a new agreement at the crucial climate convention meeting in Copenhagen 2009.

The standard of this year's finalists is outstanding, which reflects the growing awareness across all Australian sectors of the critical role the environment plays in all aspects of human endeavour.

Award winners will be announced at the Awards Presentation Dinner to be held at the Grand Hyatt, Melbourne on Friday 5 June, 2009. This gala event will be hosted by Ian Kiernan, Chairman, *Clean Up Australia and Clean up the world.*

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Building Commission Award for Best Sustainable Residential Complex

- Seaspray Project Management – “Seaspray Residential Resort and Spa”
- DesignInc Melbourne & Department of Human Services – “K2 Apartments Windsor - Sustainable Housing”

Business Awards - Best Specific Environmental Initiative

- Instyle Contract Textiles- “EthEco Wool- The Optimum in Ethical and Environmental Wool Sourcing”
- SmartBurn- “Cleaning the air for tomorrow”
- Mt Buller and Mt Stirling Alpine Resort Management Board- “Mountain Pygmy-Possum Habitat Re-creation”

Business Awards - Environmental Best Practice Program

- Centennial Park Cemetery – “Green to the Grave”
- Toyota Motor Corporation (Australia)
- Australian Arrow Pty Ltd

Community Award

- CERES Community Environment Park – “CERES Community Environment Park”
- Peel-Harvey Catchment Council – “Peel-Yalgorup Ramsar Site Initiative”
- Urban Ecology Australia Inc - “The Christie Walk Project”

Excellence in Sustainable Water Management Award

- Western Water and Water Infrastructure Group- “Eynesbury Township”
- Stockland- “Mernda”
- Peel- Harvey Catchment Council- “PHCC Implementation of the ICLEI Water Campaign”

Excellence in Marine and Coastal Management

- Moreton Bay Regional Council- “Shorebird Management Program”
- Boating Industry Association of Victoria- “BIA Victoria Marine Pest Project”
- Western Port Greenhouse Alliance- “Global Issue- Local Response”

Individual Award

- Sean Willmore – “The Thin Green Line Foundation”
- Shaun Cox – “Sharing a Vision for a Sustainable Water Future”
- Larissa Brown – “The Centre for Sustainability Leadership Fellowship Program”
- Brian Scarbrick – CEO of Landcare Australia

World Environment Day Awards 2009 FINALISTS ANNOUNCED CONTINUED

Education/ School Award

- Merrylands East Public School – “Education for Sustainable Development in the 21st Century”
- Bentleigh West Primary school – “Kids as Caretakers”
- MacKillop Catholic College – “Sustainability and Awareness Initiative”
- Derby District High School - "The whole world wins, put your lines in the bins”

Lincolne Scott Sustainability Leadership Award

- Crown Plaza Alice Springs- “Solar Project”
- Corporate Express Australia Limited
- Visy Industries

Local Government Awards - Excellence in Overall Environmental Management

- Knox City Council – “Sustainability in Knox”
- Randwick City Council – “Innovative Sustainability Solutions from an Annual Environmental Levy Program”

Local Government Awards - Best Specific Environmental Initiative

- Knox City Council – “Gardens for Wildlife”
- Moreton Bay Regional Council- “Shorebird Management Program”
- Wodonga City Council – “Sort and Save”
- City of Darebin – “Darebin’s Action on Climate Change”

Media Award for Environmental Reporting

- Emily Rice, Network Ten – “Greening the News”
- Adam Morton , The Age- “Climate Change Coverage”
- Mark Corcoran, Peter Curtis, Bronwen Reed, Garth Thomas, ABC – "Antarctica- What lies beneath?”

Meeting the Greenhouse Challenge Award

- Randwick City Council – “NSW Local Government Emissions Trading Scheme”
- Australian Taxation Office – “Public Transport Annual Ticket Scheme”
- Auria Forestry – “Auria Forestry Research Project”

Szencorp Green Building Award

- Rockcote Pty Ltd – “Rockcote Design Centre”
- Aurecon Australia Pty Ltd & Bendigo and Adelaide Bank – “Bendigo and Adelaide Bank”
- Francis-Jones Moehen Thorp (FJMT) and the City of Sydney – “Surry Hills Library, Community Centre & Childcare”