



Hooray for nominees!

With nominations now in and closed, we have a special message for our 2021 [Queensland Training Award](#) nominees — ‘now is the time to celebrate you!’

To all nominees — and their nominators and supporters — thank you for getting involved and sharing your passion, dedication and success in vocational education and training (VET).

We look forward hearing your inspiring stories and celebrating the tremendous power of skills during regional winner announcements online from July and the state gala event,



back by popular demand in September.

But for now, nominees — don’t forget celebrate you! Give yourself a pat on the back and share the good news with the people around you.

Nominees are emailed promotional packs, including social media posts and frames, like the one demonstrated by 2020 state winner Ngaire Trigg (right). Please post with pride and tag #QTA2021.

Can’t find yours? Simply [email us](#) and we’ll deck you out!

Congratulations and good luck!

Judging

The difficult task of shortlisting and selecting finalists and winners kicked off as soon as nominations closed on 28 March.

The first step involves checking nominations for accuracy and completeness, so follow-up with nominees is sometimes required.

Judging panels are then formed, comprising of representatives sourced from business, industry and the public sector.

Up to five finalists are shortlisted before a winner is selected based on submissions and phone interviews. Sounds easy, but we can assure you it is not — especially when the calibre of Queensland nominees is consistently so high.

Head over to our website to learn more about the [judging process](#).

Nationals



Nominations for the direct entry categories in the [Australian Training Awards](#) are now open, closing 30 June 2021.

In Queensland* there are [four categories available for direct entry](#):

- Outstanding Achievement in the VET and Skills Sector Award
- Excellence in Language, Literacy and Numeracy Practice Award
- Australian Apprenticeships - Employer Award

- School Pathways to VET Award.

Apply now for your chance to gain Australia-wide recognition for your outstanding practices in VET.

**In Queensland, the Small Employer of the Year category is initially contested through the state awards program – nominations for this category in Queensland have now closed.*

2021 key dates

15 February – Nominations opened

28 March – Nominations closed

April – Judging (regionals)

30 June – Nominations close for Australian Training Awards

July – Regional winners announced

May to August – Judging (state)

September – State winners announced

November – National winners announced, Australian Training Awards

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