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Our top talent named in Queensland Training Awards

Eleven Rockhampton district training groups, teachers and students are vying to represent the Central Queensland region ahead of the prestigious 2020 Queensland Training Awards.

The Member for Keppel and Assistant Education Minister Brittany Lauga congratulated the finalists and wished them luck for the awards in September.

“Queensland is home to so many talented students, hardworking teachers, successful training organisations and fantastic employers.

“And all of them play an important role in ensuring we have the skilled workforce needed for the jobs now and into the future.

“As we Unite and Recover for Queensland Jobs, we know that training and skilling will be critical,” she said.

The winners from the seven Queensland regions will be announced online on 11 September and the state winners on 18 September.

The Rockhampton regional finalists are:

Harry Hauenschild Apprentice of the Year

Jake Brown
Qualification: Certificate III in Electrotechnology Electrician
Training provider: CQUniversity Australia
Employer: Anglo Coal (Moranbah North Management) Pty Limited

Riley Stewart
Qualification: Certificate III in Engineering – Mechanical Trade
Vocational Student of the Year

**Kaitlyn Bellamy**
Qualification: Certificate III in Hospitality
Training provider: Training Unlimited
Employer: Hungry Jack’s (Rockhampton South)

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year

**Shania Evans**
Qualification: Certificate IV in Work Health and Safety
Training provider: CQUniversity Australia
Employer: Rockhampton Regional Council

**Maddison Petrie**
Qualification: Certificate II in Engineering (Production)
Training provider: CQUniversity Australia
Group training organisation: Programmed Skilled Workforce Limited
Host employer: ShellQGC

Equity VET Student of the Year

**Helena Kidd**
Qualification: Certificate III in Business
Training provider: CQUniversity Australia

VET Teacher or Trainer of the Year

**Hardy Manser**
Employer: The Rockhampton Grammar School

**Kirsty O’Regan**
Employer: CQUniversity Australia
Debbie Wiggins  
Employer: CQUniversity Australia

Community Training Initiative of the Year

Multicultural Australia  
Program: Tucker Time  
www.multiculturalaustralia.org.au

Large Employer of the Year

Mastermyne  
www.mastermyne.com.au  
Parkhurst

“We know we need to grow our skilled workforce so we can continue with our plan for economic recovery: Unite and Recover for Queensland Jobs,” said Ms Lauga.

Full lists of finalists can be found here: https://desbt.qld.gov.au/training/qta/winners-and-finalists/regions/cq-winners-finalists

PHOTO: (prior to social distancing requirements) Brittany at the 2019 CQ Training Awards with Chamay Bauer, General Manager of Jobs Queensland who took out the award for Community Training Initiative of the Year.

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