

*A strong voice for our future*

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# MEDIA RELEASE

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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

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Training provider: Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited  
Employer: Hastings Deering (Australia) Limited

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

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## **Debbie Wiggins**

Employer: CQUniversity Australia

Community Training Initiative of the Year

## **Multicultural Australia**

Program: Tucker Time

[www.multiculturalaustralia.org.au](http://www.multiculturalaustralia.org.au)

Large Employer of the Year

## **Mastermyne**

[www.mastermyne.com.au](http://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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