

On Wednesday 23 March, the Minister for Training and Skills and Higher Education, the Hon. Gayle Tierney MP announced the opening of the 2022 Victorian Training Awards.

As a key stakeholder of Victoria's Vocational Education and Training (VET) sector, I know that you are aware of the history of these prestigious awards. In 2022, the Victorian Training Awards mark their 68th year of celebrating the outstanding achievements of apprentices, students, teachers, employers and training providers in the VET sector.

Last year's awards honoured the achievements of many outstanding organisations and individuals, with four Victorian representatives going on to achieve national success at the Australian Training Awards.

I invite you to nominate those who deserve recognition for their exceptional efforts in the VET sector. You may want to nominate yourself, your students, your organisation, or someone else you know.

Reward yourself in 2022

Award winners will be announced at a gala ceremony in September and will receive \$5,000 in prize money and a trophy. Winners in select categories represent Victoria at the Australian Training Awards in Adelaide in November.

Winners receive recognition across the sector and with industry. The nomination process itself is an opportunity to reflect on the factors of success for the organisation or the learning journey for the individual.

As a key partner in vocational education and training I would be grateful if you could promote the opening of the awards through your networks.

Nominations are now open and close on **midnight on Saturday 28 May**, so don't delay – start the nomination process today!

Register by using the Award Force portal at <https://vta.awardsplatform.com/> or visit www.vic.gov.au/victorian-training-awards for more information. If assistance is required with preparing nominations, the awards team can put you in touch with professional support to review the nomination and make sure it is of the highest quality. This is a free service available to all nominators.

You can contact the Victorian Training Awards team on 1800 290 657 or send them an email at victorian.training.awards@education.vic.gov.au

Yours sincerely,



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