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**MEA 2011 conference**

**WINNERS ARE grinnerS IN MEA AWARDS**



WINNERS IN THE 2010 Meetings & Events Australia National Awards were announced at a glittering dinner on the final night of the MEA conference. The event, attended by around 1000 meetings and event industry professionals, was held at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre. Winners were:

**ASSOCIATION OR GOVERNMENT MEETING OF THE YEAR**

APPEA Conference and Exhibition (ACT)  
 Australian Petroleum Production & Exploration Association Limited (APPEA)

**BANQUETING & CATERING**

Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre

**EVENT MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION**

The Forum Group (NSW)

**EVENT MANAGER OF THE YEAR**

Mark Taylor, Director  
 Belle-Laide Events (NSW)

**IN-HOUSE AV SERVICES (COMPANY OR DEPARTMENT)**

Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre

**MEETING VENUE 500 DELEGATES OR MORE**

Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre

**OPERATIONS PERSON OF THE YEAR**

Yammi Yam, Banquets Supervisor  
 Four Points by Sheraton Darling Harbour Sydney

**SPECIALTY VENUE**

University of New South Wales CBD Campus, UNSW Venues and Events

**TECHNICAL & CREATIVE PRODUCTION - BRANCH TURNOVER < \$5 MILLION**

AV1 Pty Limited (NSW)

**CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - CATEGORY C (OVER 30 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES)**

Sydney Convention and Exhibition Centre  
 Melbourne Convention + Visitors Bureau

**PLATINUM AWARD**

University of New South Wales CBD Campus, UNSW Venues and Events

**CAUSE RELATED EVENT OF THE YEAR**

2 ideas & events (QLD)

**MEETINGS OR EVENTS MANAGEMENT ORGANISATION 8 OR MORE EMPLOYEES**

Event Planners Australia (QLD)

**TECHNICAL & CREATIVE PRODUCTION - BRANCH TURNOVER > \$5 MILLION**

Staging Connections Pty Limited (QLD)

**Y MEA FUTURE LEADER**

Holly Roostenburg, Business Development Executive  
 Staging Connections Pty Limited (QLD)

**MEETINGS MANAGER OF THE YEAR**

Renee Jolly, Conference Consultants  
 apmea (SA)

**SUPPORT SERVICES**

Adelaide Expo Hire Pty Ltd  
**HALL OF FAME 2010 - 2013**

**CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - CATEGORY B (6-30 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES)**

Adelaide Expo Hire Pty Ltd

**EXHIBITION OF THE YEAR**

Reed Travel Exhibitions and Melbourne Convention + Visitors Bureau  
 Asia-Pacific Incentives & Meetings Expo (AIME)

**HALL OF FAME 2010 - 2013**

**MEETING VENUE UNDER 500**

**DELEGATES**  
 RACV City Club (VIC)

**MEETINGS OR EVENTS MANAGEMENT**

Organisation less than 8 Employees  
 Wise Connections (VIC)

**METROPOLITAN DESTINATION MARKETING ORGANISATION**

Melbourne Convention + Visitors Bureau  
**HALL OF FAME 2010 - 2013**

**PUBLIC EVENT OF THE YEAR (INCLUDING FESTIVALS)**

Peter Jones Special Events (VIC)  
**HALL OF FAME 2010 - 2013**

**REGIONAL DESTINATION MARKETING ORGANISATION**

Business Events Geelong

**TRAVEL SERVICES**

Flight Centre Group Travel (VIC)

**CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY - CATEGORY A (1-5 FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES)**

Red Scooter (VIC)

**OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION AWARD**

Sandra Chipchase, Chief Executive Officer  
 Melbourne Convention + Visitors Bureau

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PERSON OF THE YEAR**

Paul Beeson, Director of Business  
 Perth Convention Bureau