

Media Release

Celebrating excellence in the electrotechnology sector Western Australia

Western Australia's electrical industry's night of nights – the annual NECA Excellence Awards – was held on Friday 24 August at Crown Perth.

Sponsored by international electrical powerhouse Clipsal and Schneider Electric, the 2018 NECA WA Excellence and Apprentice Awards recognised the achievements of companies who were responsible for the electrical construction of some of the most high profile projects throughout the state and our best performing apprentices.

Finalists and winners were announced in front of 550 people from across the industry, including Government representatives Samantha Rowe MLC, representing the Minister for Education and Training Sue Ellery MLC, and Emily Hamilton MLA, the Member for Joondalup.

NECA WA President Jack Grego said “The entire electrical and communications industry can be proud of the innovation and excellence it brings to projects big and small, such as Perth Stadium, Wheatstone and the Intercontinental Hotel which are genuinely world class”.

2018 NECA WA Excellence Awards Winners

Category	Company	Project
Domestic Residence	J GROUP Electrical	Unit 8 Overton Terraces, Cottesloe
Energy Efficiency	Lynx Integrated Systems	Intercontinental Hotel Perth
Industrial Small	Peak Industrial Electrical	CSBP Blending Plant DL7 (Kwinana)
Industrial Medium	Bon Electrics Pty Ltd	Santrev Mogumber Project
Industrial Large	Downer	Wheatstone Project LNG Plant - Electrical and Instrumentation Installation
Commercial Small	Insight Electrical Technology	Perth Concert Hall
Commercial Medium	Mizco Pty Ltd	Optus Stadium
Commercial Large	Nilsen (WA) Pty Ltd	Perth Stadium

Voice / Data Communications & Audio Visual	Insight Electrical Technology	Mirrabooka Government Offices
Work Health Safety Project	Downer	Wheatstone Project LNG Plant - Electrical and Instrumentation Installation
Work Health Safety Company	Fredon (WA) Electrical Pty Ltd	Fredon

Mr Grego went on to say, "It's easy, but very short sighted, in difficult economic times, to drop your commitment to training but this will have a huge impact on the future viability of the electrical industry. The quality of the apprentices nominated this evening, shows that our industry is continuing its' proud history of providing high quality apprentice training that will provide the trade with a continued supply of quality tradesmen in the future."

2018 NECA WA Apprentice Awards Winners

Name	Year	Employer
Bretterson Beckett	1 st Year	Wattnow Electrical
Ebony-Rose Antonio	2 nd Year	Programmed Electrical Technologies
Dale Patton	3 rd Year	Electrical Group Training (hosted by: Peak Electrical)
Jesse Paternoster	4 th Year Commercial / Domestic	Elite Electrical and Pumps
Grant Lawther	4 th Year Industrial	Electrical Group Training (hosted by: Mak Industrial Water Solutions)
Rhys Solly	4 th Year Communications	Electrical Group Training (hosted by: Compuroom Services)

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Notes for editors

- 1. NECA is the peak industry body representing the interests of electrical and communications contractors Australia-wide.*
- 2. Membership comprises over 5,000 contracting companies with over 50,000 employees.*
- 3. NECA wholly-owns Registered Training Organisations and Group Training Organisations in NSW, VIC & WA, the EcoSmart Electricians initiative, ACRS (a national cabling registrar) and has a joint venture with NESS Super in NSW.*
- 4. NECA employs around 2,000 apprentice electricians, training a further 2,000.*