



2024

MIHAVEN TRAINING HOSPITALITY & TOURISM AWARDS



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The Business Liaison Association is working in conjunction with MiHaven Training providing bursaries to promote and encourage careers within the Hospitality and Tourism industry.

CATEGORIES

Winner:	\$800
Runner-Up	\$500
Encouragement Awards x 2	\$250 each



MIHAVEN TRAINING

Hospitality and Tourism Awards

Co-ordinated by Rhonda Martin Smithfield State High School

Contact Ms Rhonda Martin
Competition Coordinator

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Closing Date Monday 2nd September 2024

The MiHaven Training Hospitality and Tourism Awards were created to help students of Hospitality and Tourism subjects within Far North Queensland schools gain exposure to industry professionals and create opportunities for students to gain employment in this crucial industry in the region. The awards allow students to develop a range of essential skills for entry to the Hospitality and Tourism industry with the guidance of experienced, passionate professionals.

The aim of the awards is to:

- Promote and encourage careers within the Hospitality and Tourism industry.
- Give students the opportunity to experience the selection processes for employment.
- Provide students with a unique opportunity to meet senior executives working in the hospitality and tourism industry in FNQ.
- Provide students with additional industry experience that may lead to employment post schooling.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The awards are open to all secondary students currently participating in a Certificate course in Hospitality or Tourism, the Applied Hospitality Practices and Tourism subjects, and/or a School Based Apprenticeship/Traineeships in any of these areas.
- They must have attained a C Standard or better in the subject and/or demonstrated competencies in modules thus far completed.
- Applicants should demonstrate a commitment to the Tourism and Hospitality Industry post-school or aspiring to further studies in one of these areas.

TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS

- Highlight to students the requirements listed above, selection criteria and closing date for applications.
- Please promote and forward the competition details to appropriate teachers.
- Complete Application Form and email student entries by **Monday 2nd September 2024**.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND SELECTION CRITERIA

Please attach a cover letter, your curriculum vitae and a statement addressing each of the selection criteria

1. Outline the qualities you possess that would make you a valued employee in the Hospitality and Tourism Industry.
2. Demonstrate your knowledge of the Hospitality and Tourism Industry of Far North Queensland and the impact it has upon this region.
3. Outline your plans for future training and employment in the Hospitality and Tourism Industry and how you see your career in this industry developing.

Applicants will be shortlisted by **Friday 13th September 2024**.

Interviews will occur in week 2 of term 4 between **7th – 11th October 2024**

Awards Presentation Event

A Presentation Function will be held for the winning students **at the Pullman Cairns International Hotel. This event is invite only.**

Date 28th November 2024

Time 4:45pm – 7:30pm

Award recipients are required to attend the Presentation Evening and are to wear Formal School Uniform.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

The application will consist of:

- 1 page typed covering letter of introduction,
- 1-page typed Curriculum vitae,
- Type-written statement, approximately ½ page each, addressing each of the selection criteria listed above.

At the interview, the students will be required to:

- Dress in formal school uniform.
- Answer a series of questions from the interview panel with respect to the following:
 1. Your career aspirations and any personal characteristics you have to offer.
 2. A general knowledge of the work of each of the sponsors of these awards:
 - Business Liaison Association - bla.org.au
 - MiHaven Training – mihaven.edu.au
 3. Your knowledge of the Hospitality and Tourism industry and attractions in Far North Queensland.

The panel will consist of representatives from the Hospitality and Tourism industry in Cairns. The interview panel's decision will be final although if students would like feedback on their submission and/or interview, this will be provided upon request to Ms Rhonda Martin.

PRIZE CATEGORIES / BURSARIES

Winner	\$800.00
Runner Up	\$500.00
Encouragement Awards x 2	\$250.00 each

The winning schools will also receive a plaque which will be awarded at the Aspire Awards Presentation.

A Registration Fee of \$88 (inc. GST) per school is required to cover administrative costs of the Awards. A tax invoice will be forwarded upon receipt of an Application Form. There is no limit on the number of entries submitted from schools. **Registration Fee is non-refundable.**

Application Forms are to be emailed to:

Ms Rhonda Martin
Smithfield State High School
rmart238@eq.edu.au

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Direct Deposit

BSB 633 000
Account 120970611
Reference MiHaven Hospitality and Tourism Awards - School Name – Invoice Number

The Business Liaison Association (BLA) encourages its recipients of awards, prizes, gifts or bursaries to promote their achievements on social media/Media and positively attribute the support provided by the BLA.

Any negative, defamatory, or slanderous comments regarding the BLA, its programs or sponsors will result in a cancellation of awards, prizes, gifts, or bursaries.



Photographic Consent

Unless expressly advised otherwise, the Business Liaison Association is authorised pursuant to your school's specific photography consent policies to use any photographs, videos or other images obtained as part of the Business Liaison Association's event, competition, presentation to which this correspondence pertains, for the purposes of promotion of the organisation, its events and award programs. Such promotions to include but not be limited to publications, flyers, advertising, sponsorship collateral, website and internet exposure and promotion including use on social media in the foreseeable future.

