



## MEDIA RELEASE

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# FINALISTS FOR ACT 2018 AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE ANNOUNCED

Finalists for the 2018 Australian Capital Territory (ACT) Savour Australia™ Restaurant & Catering HOSTPLUS Awards for Excellence have been formally announced ahead of next month's official Awards ceremony.

The Awards for Excellence program formally recognises hospitality operators across a broad range of categories who consistently provide exceptional service and demonstrate culinary excellence in their respective fields.

Restaurant & Catering Australia (R&CA) CEO Juliana Payne congratulated each of the finalists on their nominations.

“On behalf of the Association, it is my pleasure to congratulate the individual finalists of the 2018 Awards for Excellence in the ACT.

“Each of the nominated businesses across all the categories have demonstrated exceptional service and culinary excellence over the course of the last year and as such have been included as finalists in this year's Awards.

“All the business-owners recognised in this year's ACT Awards can be rightfully proud of their exceptional contribution to the hospitality industry.

“We look forward to announcing the winners of the Awards on 10 September at our formal gala dinner at Hotel Realm in Canberra,” Ms Payne said.

Registrations to attend the gala dinner are now open and can be accessed via R&CA's [website](#). A full list of each of the ACT finalists is attached to this release.

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# 2018

## *RYCA Awards for Excellence*

### AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY FINALISTS

#### RESTAURANT AWARDS

##### BREAKFAST RESTAURANT

Pollen, ACTON

The Promenade Café - Hyatt Hotel Canberra - A Park Hyatt Hotel, YARRALUMLA

##### CAFÉ DINING

Bookplate, PARKES

The Tea Lounge - Hyatt Hotel Canberra - A Park Hyatt Hotel, YARRALUMLA

##### CONTEMPORARY AUSTRALIAN RESTAURANT - FORMAL

Sage Dining Rooms, BRADDON

##### EUROPEAN RESTAURANT

Black Fire Restaurant, BRADDON

Les Bistronomes, BRADDON

##### INDIAN / SUB-CONTINENT RESTAURANT

Blu Ginger, CANBERRA

DAANA, CURTIN

##### ITALIAN RESTAURANT

Italian and Sons, BRADDON

Mezzalira On London, CANBERRA

Molto Italian, KINGSTON

##### MALAYSIAN RESTAURANT

Abell's Kopi Tiam, MANUKA

##### NEW RESTAURANT

RAKU Dining, CIVIC



#### **RESTAURANT IN A CASINO / CLUB / HOTEL**

Buvette Bistro & Wine Bar - Hotel Realm, BARTON  
 Column Restaurant - National Press Club of Australia, BARTON  
 Marble & Grain - Avenue Hotel, BRADDON

#### **RESTAURANT IN A WINERY**

Café Lerida - Lerida Estate, LAKE GEORGE

#### **SPECIALTY RESTAURANT**

Lolo and Lola, WATSON  
 Tipsy Bull, BRADDON

#### **TOURISM RESTAURANT**

Black Fire Restaurant, BRADDON  
 Pollen, ACTON

### **CATERING AWARDS**

#### **EVENTS CATERER**

Hyatt Hotel Canberra - A Park Hyatt Hotel, YARRALUMLA

#### **FUNCTION / CONVENTION CENTRE CATERER**

Hotel Realm, BARTON  
 National Press Club of Australia, BARTON  
 Trippas White Group - Australian Institute of Sport, BRUCE

#### **SITE / INDUSTRIAL CATERER**

APH Catering and Events - Australia Parliament House Staff Dining Room, CANBERRA  
 Trippas White Group - Australian Institute of Sport, BRUCE  
 Trippas White Group - Canberra Grammar School, RED HILL

#### **VENUE CATERER**

APH Catering and Events - Australia Parliament House, CANBERRA  
 Ginger Catering - National Arboretum Canberra, WESTON CREEK  
 Trippas White Group - Australian War Memorial, CAMPBELL

#### **WEDDING CATERER**

Hotel Realm, BARTON  
 National Press Club of Australia, BARTON

*\* For a catering entrant to remain in the awards, an event must be judged during the judging period*





## HOSPITALITY AWARDS

### CHEF

Clement Chauvin - Les Bistronomes  
Damian Brabender - Otis Dining  
Daren Tetley - National Press Club of Australia  
Hao Chen - Raku  
Jay Prieto - Lolo & Lola

### PRODUCT SUPPLY

AC&R Catering  
H&L Australia  
Templar Employment & Training

### CONSUMER VOTE

Bookplate, PARKES  
Marble & Grain - Avenue Hotel, BRADDON  
Molto Italian, KINGSTON  
Pollen, ACTON  
Topsy Bull, BRADDON