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South Australian arts leaders rewarded

A filmmaker, a classical guitarist, a screenwriter and a visual artist are among South Australia's young arts leaders recognised at the **2014 Carclew Scholarships and Awards** this week.

Held on Tuesday, November 5 at Carclew, the event also recognised three South Australian arts educators for their outstanding contribution to artistic leadership.

Offered by Carclew and presented by Minister assisting the Minister in the Arts Hon. Chloe Fox MP, the artistic scholarships are among the most significant on offer for early career artists in South Australia.

The four scholarships are awarded at \$12,500 and are to be used to access development opportunities and explore career pathways.

The 2014 Carclew Youth Arts Scholarship recipients are:

Dame Ruby Litchfield Scholarship for Performing Arts – Andrey Lebedev (22, Goodwood)

Ruth Tuck Scholarship for Visual Arts – Madison Bycroft (26, Adelaide)

Colin Thiele Creative Writing Scholarship – Matt Vesely (26, Beulah Park)

BHP Billiton Scholarship for Film and New Media – Madeleine Parry (24, Bellevue Heights)

"These recipients have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to their artistic practice and will use these funds to pursue mentoring opportunities within Australia and abroad," said Tricia Walton, Carclew's Chief Executive.

"Over the years these scholarships have been tremendously beneficial in launching careers for the young artists who have received them.

"There are many talented young people in this state and we're thrilled to be able to help some of them further develop their artistic careers."

Twenty-four year-old Madeline Parry, recipient of the BHP Billiton Scholarship for Film and New Media, will undertake an internship at Jigsaw Productions, a mentorship with Soda Jerk, study at the Werner Herzog Rouge Film School and study in New York.

Screenwriter Matt Vesely, who was awarded the Colin Thiele Creative Writing Scholarship, will use the money to develop new projects, ideas and methods of working.

"I'm aiming to spend the year challenging myself as a writer, experimenting with new and considered methods of generating work, as well as trying my hand at new genres and thematic concerns," Matt said.

2014 Education and Arts Ministers' Awards

The event also recognised three exceptional arts educators for their contributions to arts education within Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) schools.

The recipients of the 2014 Education and Arts Ministers' Awards are:

**Excellence in arts teaching and leadership at primary school – Alison Saunders
(Littlehampton Primary School)**

**Excellence in arts teaching and leadership at secondary school level – David McVicar
(Murrayville High School)**

**Success as an artist working with teachers and students – Bridgette Minuzzo (freelance
artist in schools)**

Each recipient received \$5,000 which will be used for professional development during 2014.

“The 2014 recipients have dedicated themselves to ensuring vibrant arts programs are offered as part of the school curriculum and, in doing so, have inspired students to engage with the arts,” said Tricia.

“They have embraced a hands-on approach to help young people understand abstract concepts, solve problems, and develop critical thinking skills and Carclew is delighted to be able to recognise their efforts through these awards.”

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