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COTAH hailed one of tourism industry's top performers

TAFE Queensland Brisbane's College of Tourism and Hospitality (COTAH) was this week awarded Tourism Education and Training provider of the year at the Queensland Tourism Awards.

The 30th anniversary of the awards presentation recognised local industry contributors over 32 award categories, hosted by the Queensland Tourism Industry Council (QTIC).

COTAH Director Maria O'Dea said it's a great collective achievement for everyone involved.

"The tireless efforts of all the teachers every day over many years built our reputation and foundations that the award has recognised," Maria said.

"They are the ones who deserve this recognition and I am delighted that this comes at a time when we need reminding that the great we make happen is in the classroom and the workplace every single day. "It all rolls up into the great experience that students have when they come to COTAH and our abilities to do our jobs."

"With over 235,000 Queenslanders currently employed in the state's tourism industry, education and training is paramount to its ongoing success," Maria said.

"We are fortunate to work in the best of both worlds - where education provides the catalyst for people to transform and change their lives, and the Tourism Industry the opportunity for talented graduates prepared to work hard with rewarding and exciting careers."

"This is a great achievement for everyone at COTAH and validation and recognition that the holistic, industry project approach, coupled with practical and dynamic industry relevant training is a winning formula! Our partnerships with the Tourism Industry are integral to every aspect of our delivery so to be awarded this by our Industry Colleagues is the best possible recognition.

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