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Welcome to QATSIF's Term 4 Newsletter

Dear QATSIF schools and supporters,

Thank you again for another great year in 2021. Our talented students and deadly schools have had a second year of dealing with COVID challenges but in spite of this, our QATSIF students have graduated in record numbers.

Our QATSIF Patron, Board and staff congratulate our record 1,548 graduates this year and wish them all the best for the brightest of future. We thank and acknowledge our students' loving families, the incredibly dedicated school staff members and all who have worked so hard to support these amazing young people.

We especially recognise the Elders and Ancestors suffered the grave injustice of having their wages stolen because it is a tribute to their memories that so many young people have succeeded.

Earlier this month, we announced a further 1,911 QATSIF scholarships for next year. In 2022, we will have a record 3900 QATSIF students and will have provided over 14,400 scholarships around Queensland.

Unfortunately, quite a number of this year's events were cancelled due to COVID restrictions, but we still had many successful gatherings and events including:

- ★ New Recipients Celebrations at ACU (Banyo) and USQ (Springfield).
- ★ Rocket Science and Aerospace Days at Jimboomba and Burpengary.
- ★ QATSIF Student Leaders online Meetings.
- ★ Queensland Ambulance Service and Transurban online meetings.
- ★ Mabo Day and Coming of The Light celebrations at Griffith University (Logan)
- ★ Round 13 Scholarship online schools' meeting.
- ★ Floral Friday celebrations.
- ★ QATSIF online career sessions.
- ★ QATSIF Graduations – JCU (Townsville and Cairns)
- ★ Recognition Dinner for Professor Cindy Shannon AM.

We are looking forward to being able to celebrate our students' achievements in 2022 hopefully without all of the COVID restrictions.



Please forward this Newsletter on to your QATSIF students and families.

Farewelling QATSIF's Foundation Chair

QATSIF farewelled Professor Cindy Shannon AM, our Foundation QATSIF Chair with a special recognition dinner on our 13th Anniversary. Professor Shannon has been the Chair of QATSIF since our foundation by the Queensland government on November 25, 2008.

Despite many genuine community concerns about the Queensland government using unspent Stolen Wages reparations funds to set up QATSIF, Professor Shannon saw the potential in supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people with their senior studies.

Over the past 13 years, Professor Shannon's strength, passion and vision has led to over 14,300 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people being approved for a QATSIF Scholarship to help with the financial costs of completing their senior studies.

QATSIF is forever grateful to Professor Shannon for her foresight, commitment and energy in supporting QATSIF's development through to being a leader in First Nations scholarships and for her passion in changing the lives of so many young people.







Transurban Paiabun Kurumba STEM Scholarship

In Term 4, **current Year 10 students** from the Brisbane, Ipswich and Logan regions who have applied **Round 13 QATSIF Scholarship** can also apply for a Transurban Paiabun Kurumba STEM Scholarship.

The Transurban Paiabun Kurumba (Yuggera: Dream Big) STEM Scholarship was created to help to give students a taste of where an interest in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) could take them. It will also provide these students with a front row seat into the inner workings of one of the world's largest toll road operators.

In addition to their Round 13 QATSIF Scholarships, these students will also receive (depending on COVID restrictions):

- ★ An additional \$500 to spend on an IT device or peripherals.
- ★ Work experience opportunities with Transurban Queensland in technology and engineering.
- ★ Access to mentoring, tutoring and career coaching with Transurban Queensland.
- ★ Visits to Transurban Queensland's offices, construction sites and state-of-the-art traffic control centres.
- ★ Tunnel maintenance experience – go behind the scenes to see what it takes to maintain and operate a road tunnel.
- ★ Invitations to Transurban Queensland networking and career development events.

Application forms have been sent out to schools within Transurban's region in Term 4.

Peter Doherty Outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander STEM Student Awards

Did you know that QATSIF students have been awarded 22 of the 24 Peter Doherty Outstanding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Senior STEM Student Awards? STEM = Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

2021: Keely Clemments (Ingham SHS), Ryan Porter, (Flagstone State Community College), Cooper Smith (Rosedale SS), Nicholas Ward-Grodd (Pioneer SHS) (pictured)

2020: Katie Butterfield (Glenala SHS), Rani Carmichael (Brisbane SHS), Lilly Halloran (Pimpama State Secondary College) Jordan McGrath (Coomababah SHS)

2019: Ethan Briggs (Beaudesert SHS), Annaleise Krause (Wilsonton SHS), Holly Summers (Pacific Pines SHS)

2018: Braith Gausden (Palm Beach-Currumbin SHS), Ebony Pearson (Pimlico SHS), Keely Perry (Longreach SHS)

2017: Wayne Cawthorne (Townsville SHS), Lucinda Colbert (Forest Lake SHS), Jordan Hall (Springfield Central State High) School

2016: Alexandra Bainbridge-Brook (Immanuel Lutheran College), Sahamar Ruben (St Peter Claver College), Aleisha Thomas (Isis District SHS)

2015: Miranda Mahoney (Lourdes Hill College)

QATSIF congratulates all of the winners of this prestigious award.



Reconciliation Rhino

National Reconciliation Week (27 May–3 June) marked the beginning of a whole school art project for Rochedale State High School. That very important week is a time that we look at ourselves as a nation, and as a school community, and consider our actions in working towards reconciliation.

It was decided that the students would create a work of art that many students could be part of, resulting in one art piece that could be displayed in the school.

Over these last few weeks of school, students were able to make their mark on the artwork by painting a dot with their finger – in the traditional Indigenous style of painting using the school's mascot (rhino).

The end result was amazing. The piece has been named "Reconciliation Rhino" and will take its proud place in the school's main office foyer.



QATSIF School Graduations

Marymount College

Marymount College celebrated the graduation of their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students with a special liturgy at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, presided over by Padre Morgan Batts. This special occasion was shared by the graduates' parents; Mob students and staff from both the College and Marymount Primary; College Principal Mr Chris Noonan and Assistant Principal Mr Peter Shaw; and a representative from Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education unit.

The liturgy was delivered by the graduates' fellow Mob members with many students reading, singing and presenting on the day. In return, Year 12's, Olivia, Taylor, Fynn, Blake and Zoe delivered heartfelt messages of thanks, reflecting on their memories of their years as part of the Mob.

The graduates were presented with their QATSIF Certificate, BCE Certificate and scarf, as well as gifts from their fellow students which consisted of a photo album of their years with the Mob, and a cross and journey stone hand-painted by a former Mob student.

A surprise addition to the service were pre-recorded messages from the graduates' parents which brought many smiles and a few tears as well. Mr Noonan, Mr Shaw and Padre Morgan bestowed their blessings on the students, sending them on their way with words of encouragement and support.



Harristown SHS

Harristown State High School's QATSIF graduates were presented with their certificates at their whole school assembly on Wednesday 13 October. Shayel Fiedler opened the assembly with an Acknowledgement of Country, followed by Kynan Lamb and Hayleigh Waters, who gave a brief overview of the QATSIF scholarship and heartfelt thanks to their hard-working Ancestors from whose stolen wages they have directly benefited from. The graduates were presented their certificates by their HOD Indigenous Education and the Principal.

The assembly was followed by a celebration luncheon with a special QATSIF cake where the students videoed a thank you message to Aunty Ruth Hegarty and the QATSIF board for the gift of their scholarships.





Blackwater SHS



San Sisto



Benowa SHS



St Margaret Mary's College



Proserpine SHS



Good Shepherd College



Redlynch State College



Grace Lutheran College (Rothwell)

Bentley Park College



Kedron SHS



St Patrick's College (Mackay)



Charlise Urquhart



QATSIF Young Leader in Focus

Charlise Urquhart (Year 12) is a proud Yorta Yorta descendant from Victoria. Her totem is the long neck turtle.

Charlise enrolled in 2019 following in her big brother's footsteps, Jamaine who graduated KWSC in 2017.

Charlise experienced personal trials and tribulations. Throughout all of this, Charlise remained positive and strong to make it through school and achieve in life. She was connected with Charmaine from IFYS (Intergrated Family and Youth Services), who supported Charlise outside of school. IFYS also helped with teaching life skills like budgeting. They provided opportunities for Charlise to volunteer as a barista at the IFYS Coffee Van and at various community events around the Coast.

This experience provided Charlise the confidence and focus to go onto bigger and brighter things for herself. She became an independent student this year, working at Dominos, balancing schoolwork and maintaining her home life.

Charlise managed to do this with support and encouragement from Charmaine, IFYS and Ms Kylie (Indigenous CEC). Charlise is a true role model to other Indigenous students struggling with adversity and setbacks – not to give up. Remaining true to herself, her family and her goals. We wish her all the best in future endeavours and success. Well done Charlise!

QATSIF Young Leaders in Focus

Charli Clark

Congratulations to Charli Clark, a proud Kalkadoon and Darumbul woman, who was elected as the **2022 School Captain** of Nanango State High School. Charli is a resilient, aspiring and proud First Nation woman. She has taken on aspirations programs and solid pathways University programs over the last few years. Her aspirations are to become a paediatrician.

We wish Charli all the best for 2022 and beyond.



Lainey Wilson

Congratulations to the deadly Lainey Wilson from Mirani State High School who represented her school and community with a speech at the Mirani Community Remembrance Day commemorations.

Lainey spoke about her pride in being an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander woman, shared the story of the first Aboriginal Australian to be commissioned in the Australian Army as an officer, Captain Reginald Walter Saunders and the importance of remembering that all who served our country should have been recognised as equals.

In addition, the very talented Lainey was also appointed as **2022 Senior Cultural Captain** and also was awarded:

- ★ QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award
- ★ The Macrossan & Amiet Charitable Foundation Award
- ★ Fusion Dance and Fitness Award
- ★ Award of Excellence – Cultural
- ★ Individual Subject Award – Drama, Sports and Recreation.

Too deadly Lainey!



Kaeyden Lammon

Hey, my name is Kaedyn Lammon, and I was lucky enough to be accepted for the *InspireU* Spring Indigenous Camp at the University of Queensland, St Lucia Brisbane over the last September school holidays. At first, I was sceptical for what was to come. 'Like who I was gonna meet, and what we were going to do?', but within the first few minutes of flying into Brisbane, I had already made friends and reconnected with distant family. Each day at the UQ was amazing and a great adventure. We got a taste of a range of courses, economics, law, engineering, science, and maths. Wow! I wouldn't normally consider these degrees, but I was invested in every lesson we went to. The University of Queensland's campus was huge. It had absolutely beautiful gardens, buildings, sporting ovals and a massive water fountain, it was like something out of a movie. The uni lecturers, staff and student ambassadors were absolutely the best; one of the ambassadors helped me decide that I wanted to become a teacher. Without her help I would have never considered teaching. The whole trip was an eye opener and I made so many great friends. Now, I really want to study at the University of Queensland.

I know what career path I want to take when I leave Redlynch College. Many thanks to the *InspireU* people, Redlynch State College and Mr Peckham for this amazing opportunity. I now know what I want to do with my life and I won't waste time figuring this out.



Tirraleigh Kenny

Congratulations to the deadly Tirraleigh Kenny from Springwood State High School who received her QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader award from her Nana, Aunty Ruth Hegarty (QATSIF's Patron).

In addition to completing an ATAR Pathway during senior schooling, Tirraleigh undertook a School-based traineeship during Years 11 & 12, through the Commonwealth Bank's Indigenous Careers Programs, successfully completing a **Certificate III in Business** outside of school. Since her completion in October her host employer, the Commonwealth Bank, has employed Tirraleigh as a Casual Employee.

Tirraleigh's ambition is to commence studies in Nursing/ Midwifery.

Well done Tirraleigh! Keep making your Mob proud.



Bella Mahoney

Congratulations to the deadly Bella Mahoney who has just been named as Runcorn SHS's School Captain for 2022.

Amongst some of Bella's many other accomplishments are:

- ★ QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Award
- ★ Swimming Age Champion and competed in the District and Regional Trials.
- ★ Student Mentor for younger grades.
- ★ Selected for the U16 Girls School Regional Touch, U16 Girls Brisbane Metropolitan Mustangs Queensland Touch State Cup, U17 Girls Oztag Super Series, National Oztag U16 Girls and Battle of the Nations Indigenous Queensland U19 Women's Representative teams.
- ★ Represented her school at Sunnybank RSL's Remembrance Day Ceremony
- ★ Was awarded a Griffith University Remarkable Award, an Academic Excellence award, Subject prize awards for Touch Football Excellence, PE and English, a Service Award for her commitment to the Queensland All School's Open Mixed Oztag team and a Principal's Award for excellent work ethic and behaviour in Term 3.



2022 Student Leaders



Akaysia Boyle

2022 School Captain
Mareeba SHS



2022 Indigenous Captain
Windaroo Valley SHS



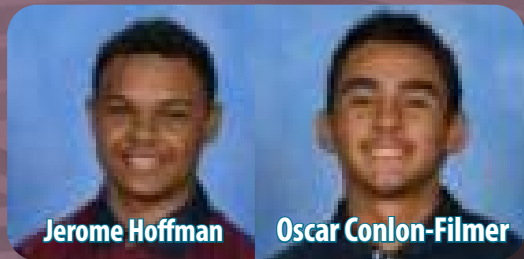
Tanu Nona

2022 School Captain
Palm Beach-Currumbin SHS



Lane Richardson

2022 College Captain
Mary MacKillop Catholic College



Jerome Hoffman

Oscar Conlon-Filmer

2022 Forgan House
Prefect Mackay SHS

2022 Chataway House
Prefect Mackay SHS



Emma Warry

2022 School Captain
Yeppoon SHS



Alysha Blackley

Tremayne Gemmell

2022 Indigenous Captain
Spinifex State College

2022 & House Captain
Spinifex State College

Yarning With Our Elders

One of our greatest gifts is our Elders' incredible wealth of knowledge, wisdom, strength and experience.



QATSIF (Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Foundation) in partnership with ACU (Australian Catholic University) is inviting all Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander secondary students to yarn with, learn from, and share the stories, wisdom and cultural heritage of our Elders.

Over Term 4 and the Christmas holidays, we are inviting students to yarn with an Elder and record one important aspect of their life. Some examples could be:

- What was it like growing up in their local community?
- Their Stolen Generations or Stolen Wages story.
- What is their advice for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people?
- Important local traditional language words, their meaning and pronunciation.
- Important local traditional stories, dances, technology or history.
- What did they learn from their own Elders?

Students are invited to share their Elder's story using any appropriate media eg. video, voice recordings, essay, poetry, music, interviews etc. Preferably, presentations should be less than 10 minutes or 5,000 words in length (or equivalent).

ACU will assist with collating and preserving these important stories for future generations and offer prizes for outstanding entries. All entries will be recognised with a certificate.

ENTRIES CLOSE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2022.

***NB - Students need to adhere to COVID Safe practices if yarning in person with Elders and need to seek their Elder's permission to share any information.**



See I.T. Be I.T. Initiative

There is a huge digital divide between students who can afford technology and those that can't. QATSIF, ACS (Australian Computer Society), P&C Qld and Substation 33 want to try to help to close this gap.

The *See I.T. Be I.T.* initiative aims to get refurbished laptop and desktop computers into the hands of some of Queensland's most economically disadvantaged students and families.

We want disadvantaged students to *See I.T.* (ie. have access to it) and *Be I.T.* (ie. develop the skills needed to use technology in their future careers).

We have begun approaching schools and businesses who are replacing their current devices and asking them to donate them to help students who otherwise

couldn't afford a device. Our friends at Substation 33 will refurbish these devices and then we will provide them for schools to give to struggling families.

So far, we had already allocated **374 devices** donated by businesses and schools to support young people.

As part of the project, Substation 33 is also providing real life I.T. training to help to get more young people into I.T. careers. ACS have been working hard to connect these young people with businesses that need their skills.

Schools and businesses who are interested in donating devices to our *See I.T. Be I.T.* Initiative can contact our QATSIF office or one of our partner organisations.



QATSIF Young Indigenous Leader Awards

QATSIF is extremely proud of the **142 deadly young leaders** (below) who were recognised by their school communities for their outstanding leadership.

QATSIF's motto is *"Building tomorrow's leaders"*. We hope that this recognition will continue to inspire these young people to *"Dream Big"* as our Patron Aunty Ruth said at one of this year's graduations. QATSIF also hopes that these leaders' role-modelling to younger students will also help to inspire a whole new generation of leaders.

Congratulations and thank you for your outstanding efforts!



Chole Carr

Abbey Green

Year 12, Trinity College (Beenleigh)

Abbie Ray

Year 12, Townsville SHS

Airlia Holman

Year 12, Tannum Sands SHS

Alex Butler

Year 12, St Francis College

Alex Mackinnon

Year 11, Kingaroy SHS

Alexis Ryan

Year 12, Mossman SHS

Alison Holmes

Year 11, Redbank Plains SHS

Amber Magnussen

Year 12, Murrumba State Secondary College

Amelia Hewett

Year 12, Clifton SHS

Amelia Johnson

Year 12, Elanora SHS

Annalisa Corney

Year 12, St Margaret Mary's College

Azaleah Mundraby

Year 11, Gordonvale SHS

Bella Ashford

Year 12, Albany Creek SHS

Bella Hughes

Year 11, Lourdes Hill College

Bella Mahoney

Year 11, Runcorn SHS

Brianna Stanley

Year 12, St Patrick's College Townsville

Brianna Suter

Year 11, Beenleigh SHS

Bridget Woodman

Year 11, Isis District SHS

Brooke Tongalea

Year 12, Tully SHS

Carson Prior-Mead

Year 12, Oakey SHS

Catherine Nugent

Year 11, Grace Lutheran College (Caboolture)

Charles Harman

Year 12, Toowoomba Grammar School

Charleston Eastment

Year 12, Brigidine College

Charli Muller

Year 12, Blackwater SHS

Charlotte Hess

Year 12, Elanora SHS

Chenoa Youse

Year 12, Brisbane Bayside State College

Chloe Carr

Year 11, Laidley SHS

Connor Brooks

Year 12, Beaudesert SHS

Conrad Atkins

Year 12, Suncoast Christian College

Darcy Webber

Year 11, Good Shepherd Catholic College

Dekotah Terewaamu

Year 12, Innisfail State College

Dylan Thomas

Year 12, Kingston State College

Elias Broome

Year 12, Xavier Catholic College

Elizabeth Groom

Year 12, Carmel College



Gideon Larry

Ellah-Louisa Cassady

Year 12, Brigidine College

Ellie Fazldad

Year 12, Northern Beaches SHS

Elliott McLeod

Year 12, St Patrick's College (Mackay)

Estelle Synnott

Year 11, St Mary's College (Ipswich)

Ethan Fletcher

Year 12, Palm Beach-Currumbin SHS

Ethan Nihot

Year 11, Benowa SHS

Etosha Pearson

Year 12, All Souls St Gabriels School

Freda Walker

Year 12, Innisfail State College

Garry Johnson

Year 12, William Ross SHS

Georgia Bartlett

Year 12, St Saviour's College

Georgia Lindsay

Year 12, Dalby SHS

Gideon Larry

Year 12, Mount St Bernard College

Gwen Grant

Year 11, Yeppoon SHS

Hayleigh Waters

Year 12, Harristown SHS

Hunter Binskin

Year 12, Carmel College

Imogen Farrawell

Year 11, Mountain Creek SHS



Tirraleigh Kenny

Isaac Gebadi

Year 12, Cairns SHS

Isabella French

Year 12, Centenary SHS

Jackson Midgley

Year 11, St Edmund's College

Jada Gilbert

Year 11, Wavell SHS

Jade King

Year 12, Spinifex State College - Mt Isa

Jaime Stanley

Year 12, Sunshine Beach SHS

Jake Bin Doraho

Year 12, St Brendan's College

Jamal Shibasaki

Year 11, Ignatius Park College

Jamila Rebel

Year 12, Chanel College

Jamus Ruben

Year 12, St Peter Claver College

Jarrold Cumner

Year 11, Springfield Central SHS

Jasmine Armstrong

Year 12, Mt St Michael's College

Jasper Malthouse

Year 12, Bracken Ridge SHS

Javana Turpin

Year 12, Suncoast Christian College

Jay Warcon

Year 12, Heights College

Jessica Johnston

Year 11, Groves Christian College

Jessie Zammit

Year 12, Shalom College

Jonas Gumbleton

Year 11, Tully SHS

Jorjah West

Year 12, Seton College

Josiah Corowa

Year 12, Corinda SHS

Junior Sims

Year 12, Marsden SHS



Sophia Cassidy Smallwood

Kaedyon Lammon

Year 11, Redlynch State College

Jye Duncan-Cope

Year 11, Ambrose Treacy College

Kai Mitchell

Year 12, Tannum Sands SHS

Kaleb Abel

Year 12, Beaudesert SHS

Kasey Hudson

Year 11, Cloncurry State School P-12

Kate Rockliff

Year 12, Suncoast Christian College

Kayah Farrawell

Year 12, Craigslea SHS

Kaylee Haspels

Year 11, St Mary's College (Ipswich)

Kaysan Miles

Year 11, The SCOTS PGC College
(Warwick)

Keeley Foster

Year 12, Chancellor State College

Keely Clemments

Year 12, Ingham SHS

Kelise Beetson

Year 12, Bribie Island SHS

Kerra Finn

Year 12, Mabel Park SHS

Kiali Wapau

Year 11, Peace Lutheran College

Ki-Shaun Fejo

Year 12, Innisfail State College

Ky Rashleigh

Year 12, Marist College Ashgrove

Kyle Hodges

Year 12, Australian Trade College North
Brisbane

Kynan Lamb

Year 12, Harristown SHS

Lainey Wilson

Year 11, Mirani SHS

Laura Russell

Year 12, Charleville SHS

Lawson Proctor

Year 12, Xavier Catholic College

Leah Offord

Year 12, Moranbah SHS

Lennik Yougie

Year 12, Peace Lutheran College

Liam Taylor

Year 12, Loganlea SHS

Lily Searston

Year 11, Moreton Bay College

Linda Illin

Year 11, Bowen SHS

Louise Stocks

Year 12, Mackay SHS

Luke Handley

Year 12, Proserpine SHS

Lydia Lawton

Year 11, Kingaroy SHS

Lystra Miller

Year 11, Gordonvale SHS

Maddisen Gibbons

Year 11, Victoria Point SHS

Malikye Logan

Year 12, Kirwan SHS

Matika Frid

Year 12, Tannum Sands SHS

Miah Hickman

Year 12, Toowoomba Anglican School

Miah Williams

Year 12, Benowa SHS

Myrisha Bartman

Year 12, Palm Beach-Currumbin SHS

Natarsha McBrown

Year 12, Mackay Northern Beaches SHS

Nickeisha Smith

Year 12, Hymba Yumba Independent School

Nickolas Clark

Year 12, Bentley Park College

Noah Buckman

Year 12, Caloundra SHS

Nolear Walker

Year 12, Innisfail State College



Kaysan Miles



Linda Illin & Zion Prior

Olivia Breeze
Year 12, Marymount College

Owen Lammonde
Year 12, Bundaberg SHS

Rhys Duxbury
Year 12, Runcorn SHS

Robert Orford
Year 12, Northside Christian College

Rose Fisher
Year 12, Murgon SHS

Rowan Brodrick
Year 12, Sunshine Coast Grammar School

Sade Tulloch
Year 12, Balmoral SHS

Samara Wescombe
Year 12, Smithfield SHS

Seanna Jones
Year 12, St Mary's College (Maryborough)

Shakiera Parsons
Year 11, Bundamba State Secondary College

Sharni Mellare
Year 12, Alexandra Hills SHS

Shayel Fiedler
Year 12, Harristown SHS

Sophia Cassady-Smallwood
Year 12, Gilroy Santa Maria College

Storm Berrier
Year 12, Narangba Valley SHS

Sylvia Malayta
Year 12, Cavendish Road SHS

Tallis Trask
Year 12, Cleveland District SHS

Tamika Anno
Year 12, Earnshaw State College

Taylah Duffin-Wenban
Year 11, Earnshaw State College

Taylah Quakawoot
Year 12, Townsville SHS

Taylor Malone
Year 12, Blackwater SHS

Tekisha Rotumah
Year 12, Ipswich Girls' Grammar School

Thomas Chaseling
Year 12, Kedron SHS

Thomas Saylor
Year 12, Rochedale SHS

Tracelyn Warusam
Year 11, Rockhampton Girls
Grammar School

Violet Bishop
Year 11, St Mary's College (Ipswich)

Violet Lange
Year 12, Gin Gin SHS

Zachary Brady
Year 12, Harristown SHS

Zion Prior
Year 11, Bowen SHS

Zoe Hewett
Year 11, Clifton SHS

Zoe Paton
Year 12, Earnshaw State College





Nickolas Clark



Seanna Jones



Jade King



Olivia Breeze



Bella Hughes



Kayah Farrawell



Louise Stocks



Jamus Ruben



Ky Rashleigh



Elliott McLeod



Charli Muller & Taylor Malone



Jay Warcon

2021 Creative Arts Competition Winners

Our 2021 QATSIF Creative Arts Competition had a record number of entries from **75 talented artists**. QATSIF loves to celebrate the many achievements of Queensland's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people.

You can view the incredible talents of our young artists at: <https://youtu.be/jMNHGYIMCz8>

Our 2022 QATSIF Creative Arts Competition will open for entries beginning at the end of Term 1, next year.

YEAR 7

Ceramics

1st place: Kirra Anderson and Nadia Chapman (Earnshaw State College)

2nd place: Piiramu Wilson (St Augustine's College (Cairns))

Visual Arts

1st place: Leslie Foster (Mareeba SHS)

2nd place: Filiara Salam (Mount St Bernard College)

3rd place: Dekierim Schrieber (Mount St Bernard College)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Ellena Warria (Tagai State College)
- ★ Kate Johnson (Bracken Ridge SHS)
- ★ Reem Sam (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Rotannah Joe-Gela (Mount St Bernard College)

YEAR 8

Ceramics

1st place: Lynnette Sands (Earnshaw State College)

Visual Arts

1st place: Olivia Doyle (Urangan SHS)

2nd place: Abby Lock & Lachlan Neale (Earnshaw State College)

3rd place: Nayita Joseph (Tagai State College)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Loveona Ballie (Mount St Bernard College)

YEAR 9

Ceramics

1st place: Taryn Anno (Earnshaw State College)

2nd place: Xavier-Ray David-Williams (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

3rd place: Bruce Mountford (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Paddy Bassani (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Tai Thurgate (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

YEAR 9

Visual Arts

1st place: Quinn Go Sam (St Mary's Catholic College, Woree)

2nd place (joint winners): Kaiden Ratcliff (Riverside Christian College) & Sienna Willmet (Lourdes Hill College)

3rd place: Audrey Higgins (Lourdes Hill College)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Shania O'Brien (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Annie Reihana (Beenleigh SHS)
- ★ Jenorah Yellub-Fell (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Makala Harries Spinnler (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Mikah Browning (King's Christian College)
- ★ Yalla Jacksonia (Northern Peninsula Area College)

YEAR 10

Visual Arts

1st place: Emerson Kucks (Lourdes Hill College)

2nd place (joint winners): Jilaysha Tilmouth & Jamieka Tilmouth (Mount St Bernard College)

3rd place: Graham Melville (Upper Coomera State College)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Annakye Evans (Grace Lutheran College (Caboolture))
- ★ Elicia Melville (Upper Coomera State College)
- ★ Graham Melville (Upper Coomera State College)

YEAR 11

Ceramics

1st place: Tali Karklis (Carmel College)

Visual Arts

1st place: Jessica Johnston (Groves Christian College)

2nd place (joint winners): Jacinta Marrison (Queensland Academy for Health Sciences) & Lynnie Tyson (Carinity Education - Southside)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Hannah Kaitap (Tagai State College)
- ★ Jyrett David (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Laura Bob (Tagai State College)
- ★ Melinda Obah (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Phyllis Maher (Beenleigh SHS)
- ★ Tayiesha Warria (Mount St Bernard College)

YEAR 12

Visual Arts

1st place: Lurlene Langton (Good Samaritan College)

2nd place (joint winners): Kira-Lee Cooper Wilson (Ravenshoe SS) & Javee Proberts (Genesis Christian College)

3rd place (joint winners): Alice Morton (Ferny Grove SHS) & Kynan Lamb (Harristown SHS)

Highly Commended:

- ★ Andrew Young (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Anita Richard (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Blayse Zamiak (St Augustine's College, Cairns)
- ★ Tahnee Stewart (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Kaylisha Mamarika (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Tina Dau (Mount St Bernard College)
- ★ Zac Brady (Harristown SHS)

Lino Prints (Senior Years)

1st place: Blayse Zamiak (St Augustine's College, Cairns)

2nd place: Michael Baragud (Tagai State College)

3rd place (joint winners): Jack Barnes (St Augustine's College, Cairns) & Joanna Mari (Tagai State College)

Story Telling (Junior Years)

1st place: Tahlee Adams (Lourdes Hill College)

Poetry

Junior 1st place: Jacob Lasserre (St Mary's College, Toowoomba)

Senior 1st place: Zac Brady (Harristown SHS)

Senior 2nd place: Kynan Lamb (Harristown SHS)

Dance award

Senior 1st place: Talia Crabb (Carmel College)

Music

Junior 1st place (joint winners):

Nellie Browning (King's Christian College), Georgia Clay, Kyzearne Bulsey, Chenille Bengaroo and Sajida Coolwell (All Souls St Gabriels School)

Mask Making

Senior 1st place: Tanisha Vincent (Mount St Bernard)



Sculpture

Senior 1st place: Matraima Fauid (Mount St Bernard)



QATSIF Lunchtime Q&A Sessions

Over Semester 2, we ran 9 QATSIF Q&A sessions for all Year 7 – 12 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and other interested students. These sessions featured presenters who shared their story and experiences from:

- Queensland Ambulance Service
- Running Your Own Design and Manufacturing Business
- Dentistry and Veterinary Science
- Law, Forensic Science, Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Law, Commerce, Government and International Relations
- IT & Cybersecurity
- Film-Making, Writing and Directing
- Aerospace Engineering.

The recordings of all of these sessions and our 8 earlier sessions for 2020 have been shared with our schools.

We are very grateful to our QATSIF Ambassadors and Industry professionals who shared their stories.





QATSIF acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land in which we live and work. We pay our respects to Elders past and present for they hold the memories, traditions, culture and hopes of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People of Australia.

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