#### HM Awards Finalists Announced in 24 Categories

#### Friday 26 July, 2013

Finalists have been revealed in 24 categories for the 2013 HM Awards presented by Sealy.

Due to an overwhelming number of entries and the extra time being taken by the judging panels to select finalists, highly commended recipients and winners, the announcement of finalists this year will be staggered.

24 categories have been announced today (July 26), with a further 17 to be revealed next Friday (Aug 2) and the remaining five to be announced at the HM Awards Gala Presentation Dinner in Sydney on Friday, September 6.

Tickets are currently selling fast for the Australasian accommodation industry's premier night of the year, one that will see almost 50 HM Awards handed out, recognising excellence over a range of categories, from people and departments to properties and chains.

Channel 7 television personality Larry Emdur will host the evening for the third time in 2013, one that's expected to attract around 600 hotel industry professionals.

In the last ten years, almost 5000 people have attended the HM Awards and more than 400 awards have been awarded to hotels across Australia, New Zealand and the South Pacific.

The HM Awards are presented by Sealy; hosted by HM magazine and hotelmanagement.com.au; co-hosted by AHS, Blue Mountains International Hotel Management School, Foxtel Business, Intrust Super and Nespresso; and sponsored by Dometic, HotelHome Australia, Prototype Furniture, Spice magazine, www.spicenews.com.au, Time Out Melbourne, Time Out Sydney and Travmedia.com.

The 2013 HM Awards gala presentation dinner is being held at Sydney Town Hall on Friday, September 6, 2013.

For bookings, visit www.hmawards.com.au

HM AWARDS 2013 FINALISTS

Australian Property Awards

- 1. Serviced Apartment Property To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013
- 2. Budget Accommodation BreakFree Aanuka Resort Breakfree Diamond Beach Country Comfort Ipswich Econolodge Sydney South Formula1 Perth Airport Formula1 Melbourne Formula1 Sydney Airport Habitat HQ Ibis Budget Auckland Airport Outback Pioneer and Lodge

3. Economy Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

4. Midscale Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

5. Upscale Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

6. Upper-upscale Hotel

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To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

7. Luxury Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

8. Australian Lodge
Cape Lodge, Margaret River
El Questro Homestead
Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa
Kim's Beach Hideaway
Lake House, Daylesford
Longitude 131
Peppers Cradle Mountain Lodge
Qualia
Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld
Wildman Wilderness Lodge

9. Business Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

10. Resort To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

11. Hotel Interior Design To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

12. Boutique Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

13. New Hotel Adina Apartment Hotel Norwest Best Western Premier The Terrace Hotel Fraser Suites Perth QT Sydney Quest Sydney Olympic Park Quest Bendigo Central Quest Frankston on the Bay Quest on Franklin, Adelaide Salamanca Wharf Hotel, Hobart The Flinders Hotel

14. MICE Property To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

15. Regional Property To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

16. Day Spa To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

17. Hotel Bar To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

18. Hotel Restaurant To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

19. Tech Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

New Zealand & South Pacific Property Awards

20. New Zealand Hotel To be announced on Friday, August 2, 2013

21. New Zealand Regional Property Best Western 555 on Bayview

Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco Hilton Lake Taupo Millbrook, Central Otago Owen River Lodge Peppers Bluewater Resort Tekapo Peppers Clearwater Resort Quest Napier Quest Rotorua Central Te Wanoui Forest Retreat, Franz Joseph Glacier

22. New Zealand Lodge Blanket Bay, Glenorchy Huka Lodge, Taupo Kaimata Lodge, Dunedin Matakauri Lodge, Queenstown Otahuna Lodge, Christchurch Owen River Lodge, Murchison Peppers Awaroa Lodge Peppers Parehua, Martinborough The Farm at Cape Kidnappers, Hawkes Bay Warekauhau Country Estate, Palliser Bay

23. Fijian Property Fiji Beach Resort and Spa by Hilton InterContinental Fiji Golf Resort and Spa Radisson Blu Resort Fiji Denarau Island Royal Davui Shangri-La's Fijian Resort, Yanuka Sheraton Fiji Resort Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa Vomo Island Resort WorldMark Resort Denarau Island Yasawa Island Resort and Spa

24. South Pacific Property Sofitel Moorea Ia Ora Beach Resort, French Polynesia Madang Star International Hotel, Papua New Guinea Aggie Grey's Lagoon, Beach Resort and Spa, Samoa Holiday Inn Resort Vanuatu InterContinental Bora Bora Resort and Thalasso Spa, French Polynesia Le Meridien Ile des Pins, New Caledonia Matavai Resort, Niue Island Pacific Resort Aitutaki, Cook Islands Sofitel Bora Bora Marara Beach and Private Island, French Polynesia Te Manava Luxury Villas and Spa, Cook Islands

Property Awards - All countries (Australia, NZ & Sth Pacific)

25. Marketing Campaign Best Western Australasia Crowne Plaza Terrigal DoubleTree by Hilton Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa Hamilton Island InterContinental Melbourne The Rialto Mercure Sydney Novotel Melbourne Glen Waverley Parkroyal Darling Harbour Shangri-La Hotels and Resorts Sofitel Brisbane Central

26. Service to the Community Accor Hotels Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa Hilton on the Park Melbourne Mercure Sydney

Parkroyal Parramatta QStation, Manly Stamford Hotels The Sebel Pier One The York by Swiss-Belhotel Yasawa Island Resort and Spa, Fiji

People Awards - All countries (Australia, NZ & Sth Pacific)

#### 27. Concierge

Allan Alvarez, Sydney Harbour Marriott Colin Toomey, Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney David Board, Pullman Quay Grand Sydney Harbour David Mclean, Swissotel Sydney David Patt, InterContinental Sydney Gary Chan, Four Points by Sheraton Sydney Graham Hodgson, Emporium Hotel Brisbane James Ridenour, InterContinental Melbourne The Rialto Justin Matheson, The Sebel Pier One Sydney Rhett Constantine, Pullman and Mercure Melbourne Albert Park Stuart Spicer, Pan Pacific Perth

28. Hotel Chef

Anthony Craven, The Langham, Sydney Dan Hunter, Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld Daniel Simpson, Pullman Quay Grand Sydney Harbour Desmond Carneiro, Sheraton on the Park John Savage, Sofitel Melbourne On Collins John Slaughter, The Sebel Pier One Sydney and Harbour Rocks Hotel Leigh Robbins, Radisson on Flagstaff Gardens, Melbourne Pierre Khodja, The Flinders Hotel Stefan Blee, Best Western Premier Hotel 115 Kew Tamas Pamer, InterContinental Sydney Will Eaglesfield, Eichardt's Private Hotel, Queenstown (NZ)

29. Food and Beverage Associate Bibek Karmacharya, Cambridge Hotel Sydney Catalina Rueda, Sydney Harbour Marriott Geraldo Suntah, Sofitel Melbourne On Collins Izumi Kawanarada, Pan Pacific Perth Jade Hobson, Parkroyal Parramatta Linda McComiskie, Sheraton on the Park Matthew Carroll, Park Hyatt Sydney Michael Nicholls, The Langham, Sydney Robin Khurana, Parkroyal Melbourne Airport Tal Thorne, Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney Tom Woods, InterContinental Sydney

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Nicole Garthwaite, Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco
Prayer Ariel, Novotel Sydney Central
Sawaid Saeed, Parkroyal Parramatta
Stewart Manson, Holiday Inn Sydney Airport
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Vanesa Montiveros, The Langham, Sydney

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35. Housekeeper
Angela Senscall, Travelodge Mirambeena Resort, Darwin
Bernadette Hobson, The Sebel Pier One Sydney
Carol Enriquez, Mantra on Kent, Sydney
Deborah Barnes, Crown Metropol Melbourne
Dewi Sriati, Ibis Perth
Emil Beshay, The Langham, Sydney
Helen Titus, Madang Star International Hotel, Papua New Guinea
Marcelina Tkalec, Parkroyal Parramatta
Marleen Gilbert, Wyndham Resort Torquay
Myra Sullivan, Rendezvous Grand Hotel Adelaide
Stephanie (Ye) Lu, Rendezvous Grand Hotel Perth

36. Hotel Engineer Alan Bettridge, The York by Swiss-Belhotel Andy Goonesekera, InterContinental Sydney Anton Van Den Brink, Sofitel Melbourne On Collins Cyrus Tolentino, Sydney Harbour Marriott Janusz Zaklikowski, The Langham, Sydney Manuel Wong, Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Matthew Worth, Four Points by Sheraton Sydney

Michael Cook, Pullman, Novotel and Ibis Sydney Olympic Park Philip Cram, Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa Ralf Moritz, Peppers Beach Club, Port Douglas Robin Power, Crowne Plaza Melbourne

37. Rising Star Angelica Krithararis, Albany Motel, Melbourne Bianca Tachdjian, Quest North Ryde Caroline Larsson, Radisson on Flagstaff Gardens, Melbourne Dominoe Aranyi, Parkroyal Melbourne Airport Garry Sudika, Melbourne Marriott Hotel Jessica Marcus, Cambridge Hotel Sydney Lucy Fitzpatrick, Park Hyatt Sydney Nithiya Kala, Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Sarah Garner, Sofitel Melbourne On Collins Shane Bourma, Shangri-La Hotel, Sydney Vicky Stasous, Parkroyal Parramatta

Major Awards - All countries (Australia, NZ & Sth Pacific)

38. South Pacific General Manager Bob Speed, WorldMark by Wyndham Resort Denarau Island, Fiji David Thomas, Madang Star International Hotel, Papua New Guinea Frederic Lebegue, Fiji Beach Resort and Spa managed by Hilton Gerard Knight, Radisson Blu Resort Fiji Denarau Island Marcus Niszow, Pacific Resort Hotel Group, Cook Islands Michael Monks, Shangri-La's Fijian Resort and Spa Simon Harper, Novotel Suva Lami Bay, Fiji Scott Williams, InterContinental Fiji Golf Resort and Spa Peter Hopgood, Outrigger on the Lagoon Fiji Shane Cunning, Sheraton Fiji Resort Thomas Tait, Holiday Inn Resort Vanuatu

39. New Zealand General Manager
Andy Cunningham, Fiordland Lodge
Bruce Garrett, The George Hotel, Christchurch
Clare Davies, Grand Mercure Nelson Monaco
Felix Borenstein, Owen River Lodge
Fraser McKenzie, Novotel Rotorua Lakeside and ibis Rotorua
Mark Rose, The Rees Hotel, Queenstown (NZ)
Richard Rooney, Wharekauhau Country Estate
Rob McIntyre, Pullman Auckland
Roger Brantsma, Hilton Auckland and Hilton Lake Taupo
Simon Tocker, Peppers Parehua
Wouter de Graaf, Sofitel Auckland Viaduct Harbour

40. Australian General Manager Bruno Cristol, Traders Hotel Brisbane Chris Sedgwick, Accor Hotels Queensland and Northern Territory Christopher Northam, Peppers Beach Club & Spa, Palm Cove Daniel Allia, Cosmopolitan Hotel, Melbourne Joost Heymeijer, Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa Michael Sheridan, The Sebel Pier One and Harbour Rocks Hotel, Sydney Richard Meulet, Establishment Hotel, Sydney Russell Durnell, Palazzo Versace, Gold Coast Scott Horn, Royal Mail Hotel, Dunkeld Sonia Lefevre, The Langham, Sydney Vincent Hoogewijs, Four Seasons Hotel Sydney

41. Environmental Program Crowne Plaza Melbourne Emirates Wolgan Valley Resort and Spa Emporium Hotel Brisbane Four Points by Sheraton Sydney, Darling Harbour InterContinental Sydney Novotel Auckland Airport

QStation, Manly Sofitel Melbourne On Collins Sofitel Sydney Wentworth Sydney Harbour Marriott, Circular Quay The Langham, Sydney

Major Awards (Judges Only)

42. Hotel Brand -To be revealed at the HM Awards on September 6, 2013

43. Accommodation Chain-To be revealed at the HM Awards on September 6, 2013

44. Hotel of the Year -To be revealed at the HM Awards on September 6, 2013

45. HM Magazine Australasian Hotelier of the Year -To be revealed at the HM Awards on September 6, 2013

46. HM Magazine Asia-Pacific Hotelier of the Year -To be revealed at the HM Awards on September 6, 2013

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