

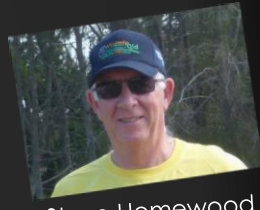
Judging the 2015 Cicada Awards



David Hannan



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Steve Homewood



Peter Wear



Lily Matheson & Sadie Caynes-Henry

Premiere Screening & Announcement of Winners

Cleveland District State High School, Russell Street
FRIDAY 4th December

5.45 Doors Open Sausage Sizzle

6.45 Screenings & Presentations 8.30 Conclusion

Bookings Essential

RSVP debra.ann.henry@bigpond.com by 1st December

Di Aylward is Principal of Moreton Bay Environmental Education Centre where she leads a team of educators in innovative learning. Di has been involved in the development and implementation of the Years 7-12 Alcohol & Other Drugs Education Program for Queensland schools; managed the implementation of the Earth Smart Science Schools Program for state primary schools; and, has a range of skills including Educational Leadership, Change Management and Sustainability. With her experience and passion for innovative environmental education, Di is well-placed to guide our youth.

Peter Wear was an executive producer of the ABC's 7.30 Report, and has written and directed natural history features for television. He was a staff correspondent on The Bulletin magazine, a regular Courier Mail writer, and taught journalism at the University of Southern Queensland. Peter is a resident of Coochiemudlo Island where he practices and teaches photography among the unique seascapes and natural beauty of his island home. Peter also participates in *MangroveWatch*, a scientifically rigorous methodology of collecting video and photographic data on these valuable coastal ecosystems. His skills are such that he has provided technical photographic input to James Cook University *MangroveWatch* scientists.

David Hannan is an internationally acclaimed Emmy award winning underwater cinematographer, producer of educational programming, documentaries, feature films, virtual nature displays and multi-media products and, the founder of Ocean Ark Alliance. His *Coral Sea Dreaming* has been seen by millions of people and his work in feature documentaries like *Sharkwater* and *Planet Ocean* has helped change the way people see and connect with the underwater realm.

Sadie Caynes-Henry & Lily Matheson are the winners of the 2013-2014 *Cicada Award*. Their winning entry *Everything you always wanted to know about koalas* was a topic that was close to their hearts. Both Lily and Sadie have grown up enjoying seeing koalas in their local neighbourhoods. But concerns that life for koalas is getting tougher prompted them to want to help. Their imagery, informative, entertaining narrative in which they urged others to 'care for a koala today' struck a chord with the judges. The girls hope their film gives koalas a better chance.

Steve Homewood is the President of the of Wildlife Preservation Society Queensland Bayside Branch (WPSQBB). The *Cicada Awards* is an initiative of the Branch which is keen to engage with people of all ages and in particular to give youth a platform to be heard. WPSQBB appreciates all creatures great and small, but according to esteemed ecologist E O Wilson "it's the small creatures that run the world".

