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MEDIA RELEASE

Top apprentices and trainees get the chance to develop leadership skills

Twenty-five of Australia's most promising apprentices and trainees are about to embark on an intensive career development program that will help equip them as future leaders.

The National Apprenticeship Employment Network's 'Today's Skills: Tomorrow's Leaders' (TSTL) program brings together outstanding apprentices and trainees selected from across Australia.

It comprises 20 apprentices and trainees selected by Group Training Organisations (GTOs) and five finalists from the 2023 Australian Training Awards.

All the participants are regarded as emerging leaders in their fields. They are engaged in sectors including, electrical, business, plumbing, health, project management and automotive.

The week-long intensive residential program will run in Canberra from 3-8 November and will be officially launched by the Governor-General, Her Excellency the Honourable Ms Sam Mostyn AC.

The TSTL program commenced in 2004 and has seen more than 250 apprentices and trainees participate. TSTL is facilitated by career development professionals and focuses on identifying strengths, skills and capabilities in order to develop leadership potential.

TSTL is supported and funded by the National Careers Institute, within the Commonwealth Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR).

NAEN Chief Executive Officer Dianne Dayhew said the program provides a unique opportunity to help identify emerging leaders and assist them to develop additional skills and prepare for future leadership.

"The group has been selected from across Australia for their exceptional talent and dedication, and they now have the chance to take these abilities to the next level.

"I would like to congratulate all those who have been selected for this program because I am very confident that we will be hearing much more about their success in years to come."

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2024 TSTL Participants			
Name	Traineeship/Apprenticeship Employer	State	Qualification
Abbe Ayers	GTNT Group (GTO)	NT	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Corinne Bass	Electrical Group Training (GTO)	WA	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Maddison Bugden	Zeal Futures (GTO)	NSW	Certificate IV Human Resources Management
Lukas Burns	Work & Training Ltd (GTO)	TAS	Certificate III Business
Telisha Cabello	Australian Training Company (ATC) (GTO)	ACT	Certificate III Parks and Gardens
Jake Chilcott	MEGT (GTO)	TAS	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Wesley Dare McCombe	WPC Group (GTO)	QLD	Certificate III Light Vehicle Mechanics
Mack Fielke	ATEC Group Training (GTO)	SA	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Rohan Fripp	Novaskill (GTO)	NSW	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Alexander Goldsmith	Ai Group Apprentice & Trainee Centre (GTO)	NSW	Diploma Applied Technologies
Jack Higgins	GTNT Group (GTO)	NT	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Clayton Lavis	Community Solutions Group (GTO)	QLD	Certificate III Business
Etienne Mason	WPC Group (GTO)	WA	Certificate III in Automotive Electrical Technology
Zac McDonald	Trainee & Apprentice Placement Service SA (TAPS SA) (GTO)	SA	Certificate III Plumbing
Nathan Moore	WPC Group (GTO)	VIC	Certificate III Light Vehicle Mechanics
Matthew Mullen	Zeal Futures (GTO)	NSW	Certificate IV Fluid Power
Annabelle O'Neil	MteSA (GTO)	SA	Certificate IV Marketing and Communications
Joseph Prior	PEER (GTO)	SA	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Marija (Maja) Rathouski	YWCA Canberra	ACT	Certificate IV in Mental Health
Evangelene Rushforth	GTNT Group (GTO)	NT	Certificate III Engineering - Mechanical Trade
Bridie Searle	Thales Australia Limited	NSW	Certificate IV in Project Management Practice
Cheyann Sullivan	NECA Education & Careers (GTO)	TAS	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Courtney Sumner-Kimlin	Adelaide Fringe	SA	Certificate III in Business
Elina Ulrich	NECA Electrical Apprenticeships (GTO)	ACT	Certificate III Electrotechnology Electrician
Cohen Young	Ai Group Apprentice & Trainee Centre (GTO)	VIC	Certificate III Electronics and Communications

The National Apprentice Employment Network is the national peak body representing a network of approximately 130 Group Training Organisations (GTOs) employing some 25,000 apprentices and trainees across Australia. www.naen.com.au