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Learn, Respect and Celebrate at the National NAIDOC Awards 2015

Every year since 1972, NAIDOC Week has celebrated the richness, resilience and achievements of the oldest continuous culture on planet Earth. Hosted in a different Australian city each year, 2015 saw Adelaide home to major events under the theme *We all Stand on Sacred Ground: Learn, Respect and Celebrate*. NAIDOC Week culminates with the National NAIDOC Awards, an acknowledgement of excellence in cultural, social and environmental leadership.

The awards ceremony was held at the Adelaide Convention Centre on July 10 in front of an audience of 1,200 and filmed for broadcast on NITV. Hosted by Luke Carroll and Malarndirri McCarthy, the evening included a performance from comedian Steven Oliver and music from Glenn Skuthorpe, Rochelle Pitt and Terra Firma. Tauto Sansbury, a South Australian Narungga man, was awarded the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award for his social justice advocacy and work to improve the conditions of Aboriginal people in the criminal justice system. The Northern Territory's Rosalie Kunoth Monks was awarded The 2015 Person of the Year Award for her tireless campaigning on human rights and dedication to politics over the past 50 years.



To A T Productions creatively and logistically produced the National NAIDOC Awards 2015 on behalf of their client, the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet. Novatech Creative Event Technology was proud to support To A T Productions with a full complement of high-end video, lighting and sound solutions. Video and imagery graced the enormous 59 x 9 metre backdrop cyclorama courtesy of five Barco FLM HD20 projectors, capable of putting out 20,000 lumens in full HD. Multimedia content was distributed from three D3 Technologies 4x4pro media servers. Lighting control duties were handled by an MA Lighting grandMA2 light console, with additional processing via an MA NPU network processing unit.

Sixty GLP Impression X4s joined 24 Martin MAC Vipers, 12 VL400 and eight VL3500s from Philips VariLite to provide flexible and dynamic lighting states throughout the show. Audio was loud and clear through an L-Acoustics KARA system with five elements per side on the main left-right and four elements deployed in each delay fills. The show was mixed on an industry standard Avid VENUE Profile desk.

“It was a privilege to have the opportunity to work on such an important event on the indigenous calendar,” said Jayden Sutherland, Senior Project Manager at Novatech. “Working with the event production team at ‘To A T Productions’ made what would typically be a challenging show to pull together a walk in the park!”

2015 NAIDOC Awards Winners



Youth of the Year - Chris Tamwoy
Apprentice of the Year - Ashley Farrall
Artist of the Year - Daren Dunn
Caring for Country - Warddeken Caring for Country Project
Female Elder of the Year - Veronica Perrule Dobson
Male Elder of the Year - Graham Taylor
Lifetime Achievement Award - Tauto Sansbury
Person of the Year - Rosalie Kunoth Monks
Scholar of the Year - Michelle Deshong
Sportsperson of the Year - Ryan Morich

About Novatech Creative Event Technology:

Novatech Creative Event Technology is one of Australia's leading and most respected audio visual production companies. Driven by a passion and commitment to staging exceptional events, we have the expertise, technology and resources to produce and stage truly unique conferences, gala dinners, product launches, road shows and concerts that surpass our client's expectations. Our world-class team, cutting edge technology and in-depth experience across a wide range of venues provides you with the confidence and peace of mind when staging your next event.

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