



# NIGHT OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS EVENING



# Wednesday, 9 December 2020 Zoom Webinar

#### **Mission Statement**

Siena College, a Catholic secondary school in the Dominican tradition, engages young women in a challenging education that empowers them with the personal resources to make a difference in the world, by searching for truth through a culture of lifelong learning.

#### Vision

As a vibrant, faith filled Catholic community with a commitment to justice, truth, reconciliation and compassion, we honour the sacred dignity of each person. We aspire to provide exemplary and innovative education that will challenge young women to achieve their personal best and to embrace the future with hope, courage and confidence.

In the spirit of St Catherine of Siena, by word and action, we encourage young women to identify their strengths, enhance their sense of self-worth and be open to new ideas.

### Values

We live the Dominican values through:

**Prayer** by nurturing spirituality and celebrating joyfully as a community of Faith

**Study** by striving for personal excellence, thinking critically and seeking truth through research, creativity and innovation

**Justice** by empowering young women to embrace diversity, respect human dignity and actively engage in the gospel imperative of responding to local and global injustice

**Community** by recognising that a sense of belonging and connectedness is the foundation for fostering good relationships and service to others

# Sarah Slattery (Class of 1988)



Sarah was a mischievous Year 8 student, and as a consequence was put in Mrs Scriven's homeroom for Year 9. 'By the end of Year 9 she'd straightened me out. I had, and still have, great respect for her,' Sarah recalls. 'I formed some amazing friendships at Siena, and thirty-two years on I am still close to them. Although I don't see some of them very often, we shared dreams and experiences and I wouldn't hesitate to reach out to them.'

Following graduation, Sarah completed a Bachelor of Construction Economics at RMIT before embarking on a successful career in the property industry. Her in-depth knowledge of property was fostered from a young age through exposure to her family's quantity surveying business, Slattery Australia. In 2017 Sarah took on the role of managing director at Slattery, becoming the first female managing director of a quantity surveying practice in Australia. She is passionate about promoting and supporting women and has led Slattery in several initiatives to embed diversity and inclusion in the industry. This commitment culminated in Slattery winning the Property Council of Australia's Innovation and Excellence Award for Diversity in 2018.

Sarah is most proud of being a role model for younger women. She is the director of TEN Women, a group that empowers women in her industry. Fundraising efforts each year target issues such as homelessness in women over fifty, and women escaping arranged marriages.

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Master of CeremoniesBernadette DonnellyDeputy Principal Learning and Teaching

Acknowledgement of Country

Hayley Di Stefano Social Justice Captain

Siena College acknowledges the traditional owners of the sacred lands on which our school community stands and meets.

While there has been great change to this land over many generations, we know in our hearts and minds that their stories and spirits will always be written in this landscape.

In the spirit of reconciliation, we honour and respect the custodians, past, present and emerging and we are grateful for the opportunity to join with them in continuing to nurture this land, water and community.

Opening Prayer	Jennifer Levett Deputy Principal Mission and Identity
Principal's Welcome	Elizabeth Hanney Siena College Principal
Keynote Speaker	Sarah Slattery (Class of 1988) 2020 Notable Alumna
Vote of Thanks	<b>Chloe Barker and Harriette La Motte</b> 2021 College Captains
Year 7 to Year 11 Awards Academic Endeavour Awards Academic Excellence Awards Highest Academic Achiever Award	Announced by Donna Laughlin Director of Learning and Innovation
Musical Interlude Soul Man Isaac Hayes and David Porter	<b>Performed by Stage Band</b> Edited by Music Teacher, Ben Nieuwkerk
Year 12 Awards Academic Endeavour Awards Academic Excellence Awards	Announced by the Heads of Learning
Sports Awards	Announced by James Houghton Director of Sport

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# Program

<b>Performed by Canti Dolci</b> Edited by Instrumental Teacher, Stephanie Hill
Announced by Elizabeth Hanney Siena College Principal
Presented by Rachael Clements and Lisa Higgins Alumnae Association Co Presidents
Announced by Kerryn McGillen Director of Music
Announced by James Houghton Director of Sport
Announced by Sr Juliana Drobik OP Trustee, Dominican Education Australia
Announced by Jemimah Walsh Head of Humanities
Announced by Jennifer Levett Deputy Principal Mission and Identity
Announced by Antonella Rosati Deputy Principal Wellbeing
Announced by Elizabeth Hanney Siena College Principal
Announced by Kath McCarthy College Board Chair
Announced by Jennifer Levett Deputy Principal Mission and Identity
Performed by Canti Dolci

# Year 7 Awards

### Academic Endeavour Awards

Awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and persistence towards their studies.

Paige Berntsen Georgia Bond Cilla Brownlie Annabelle Goodale Lily Graham Macy Hawkins Alana Stravato Mikaela Zylinski

#### Academic Excellence Awards

Awarded to students for academic excellence in their studies. These students were in the top 5% of their year level.

Imogen Allen Megan Ferreira Hughes Carla Hakme Indianna Honrado Lilla Mance Tia McCann Jasmine Tran

### **Highest Academic Achiever**

Awarded to the Highest Academic Achiever in Year 7.

# Year 8 Awards

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and persistence towards their studies.

Abbey Beckett Caitlin Comer Olivia Connolly Gabriella Cossa Maya Gurry Eden Herring Amelie Menegola Olivia Miller Jana Niolakis

### Academic Excellence Awards

Awarded to students for academic excellence in their studies. These students were in the top 5% of their year level.

Eden Fraser Gabrielle Gibbin Emma Ireland Sophie Phommasone Sophie Chinnock Hanna Goulas Grace Jobling Lauren Quin

### **Highest Academic Achiever**

Awarded to the Highest Academic Achiever in Year 8.

# Year 9 Awards

### Academic Endeavour Awards

Awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and persistence towards their studies.

Madeleine Duff Renata Fanthome Evie Goodale Majella Hine Kaitlin Patterson Madison Simmons Ella Ukich Sophia Velasquez

#### Academic Excellence Awards

Awarded to students for academic excellence in their studies. These students were in the top 5% of their year level.

- Anita Boussioutas Alessia Erzetic-Nadalin Jessica Higgins Mia Kelly Aurora Neumann Ciara Newman Bridget Quinn
- Carly Walsh

### **Highest Academic Achiever**

Awarded to the Highest Academic Achiever in Year 9.

# Year 10 Awards

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and persistence towards their studies.

Macey Brick Helya Ezadi Ella Graham Hannah McGillen Alannah Orsini Sophie Schlesinger Alana Tortora

### Academic Excellence Awards

Awarded to students for academic excellence in their studies. These students were in the top 5% of their year level.

Giulia D'Angelo Alicia Molè Charli Ryan Sasha Sahely Gabriella Sakkos Bridie Warren Sarah White

Sasha and Gabriella have also been accepted into the Kwong Lee Dow Young Scholars Program offered by the University of Melbourne for high achieving students.

### **Highest Academic Achiever**

Awarded to the Highest Academic Achiever in Year 10.

# Year 11 Awards

### Academic Endeavour Awards

Awarded to students who have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and persistence towards their studies.

Kira Acciarresi Sophia Bolton Aisha Bowker Rachael Dowling Ella Johnston Brooke Sfetsos Rosie Whiting

#### Academic Excellence Awards

Awarded to students for academic excellence in their studies. These students were in the top 5% of their year level.

Isabella Boussioutas Hayley Di Stefano Juliet Guthrie Zoe Kelly Maria Ng Audrey Phommasone Charlotte Velona

### **Highest Academic Achiever**

Awarded to the Highest Academic Achiever in Year 11.

# Academic Endeavour Award

This award is presented to one student in each VCE Unit 3/4 class as nominated by the class teacher. The Endeavour Award recognises students who have worked solidly all year with a spirit of enthusiasm and collaboration. They are both supportive and considerate of other students and show persistence in their academic endeavours.

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Award

This award is presented to the highest achieving student in each VCE Unit 3/4 subject, based upon results attained in School Assessed Coursework or School Assessed Course Tasks and other relevant criteria.

# Faculty of Religious Education

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Religion and Society	Angelene Kalafatis
Religion and Life	Adrienne Duray
Religion and Life	Grace Docherty
Religion and Life	Julia Cabai
Religion and Life	Imogen Burgin Uhlherr
Religion and Life	Cara Graham

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Religion and Llfe	Natasha Walsh
Religion and Society	Lucia Lane

# Faculty of Mathematics

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Further Mathematics	
Further Mathematics	
Further Mathematics	
Mathematical Methods	
Mathematical Methods	
Specialist Mathematics	

Kayla Kourmadias Emily Abrahams Stephanie Kotsiros Julia Cabai Anna Litchen Lily Dickenson

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Further Mathematics Mathematical Methods Specialist Mathematics Gabrielle Mannix Andrea Paramboukis Andrea Paramboukis

# Faculty of Science

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Biology	Charlotte Velona
Biology	Hayley Di Stefano
Chemistry	Lucia Litchen
Chemistry	Olivia Redford
Physics	Paris Poon
Psychology	Tyler Lenassi
Psychology	Kayla Kourmadias
Psychology	Teagan Matthews

### Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Biology	Olivia Redford
Chemistry	Andrea Paramboukis
Physics	Paris Poon
Psychology	Anna Litchen

# Faculty of The Arts and Technology

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Media	Bridget Hoy
Music Performance	Cara Graham
Product Design and Technology	Sarah Browne
Studio Arts	Isobel Osboldstone
Visual Communication Design	Natalie Edwards

### Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Media	Kayla Kourmadias
Music Performance	Isabella Crane
Product Design and Technology	Cara Graham
Studio Arts	Taylor Wilkinson
Visual Communication Design	Victoria Zikas

# Faculty of English

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Mia Horozidis
Alexandra Lasscock
Laura Griss
Olivia Punturere
Julia Cabai
Sophie Gurney

### Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

English	Elena Cruz
Literature	Taylor Wilkinson

# Faculty of Languages

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Chinese Second Language	Imogen Burgin Uhlherr
French	Emily Abrahams
Italian	Talia Mascarin

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Chinese Second Language	Fiona Rassias
French	Elena Cruz
Italian	Sasha Pittorino

# Faculty of Health and Physical Education

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Health and Human Development Health and Human Development Physical Education

Alexandra Lasscock Stephanie Kotsiros Caitlin Sims

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Health and Human Development	Lucia Litchen
Physical Education	Amy Fisher

# Faculty of Humanities

# Academic Endeavour Awards

Business Management	Madison Hume
Business Management	Aisha Bowker
Economics	Mia Horozidis
Geography	Ella Gurry
History: Revolutions	Emma De Petro
Legal Studies	Victoria Perna
Legal Studies	Emily Keane
Global Politics	Bianca Pignataro

# Academic Excellence in Coursework Awards

Global Politics	Annie Walsh
Business Management	Kayla Kourmadias
Economics	Gabrielle Mannix
Legal Studies	Anna Litchen
Geography	Stella Lawrence
History: Revolutions	Taylor Wilkinson

# Sports Awards

# Senior Girls Indoor Cricket

Congratulations to the Senior Indoor Cricket Team who were undefeated throughout their time at Siena College.

Alexandra Lasscock Ella Gurry Laura Griss Julia Cabai Mia Lanigan Grace Docherty

# GSV Representative Team Program Award Laura Griss

# Spirit Awards

Julia Cabai Alexandra Lasscock

# Notable Alumna

Each year, a person who embodies the spirit and traditions of the College and our patron, St Catherine of Siena, is nominated by the College community. St Catherine was both passionate and courageous, a revolutionary, a peacemaker, a champion of the poor and a prophetic teacher and truth seeker.

This award recognises significant contribution to the community, on a local or global scale, in any given field of endeavour.

Recipient: Sarah Slattery (Class of 1988)

# Community Award

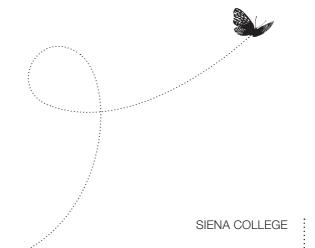
Siena College Community Awards recognise individuals or families (past or current) who make significant contributions to the College well beyond the normal levels of participation. Examples may include extended Board or Committee tenure or contribution, active and long serving volunteers such as members of the Siena Parents' Association (SPA), generational families who have remained committed to the College, or highly active staff members.

Recipients: Carmel Musco Michael and Trish Mimmo

# Dr Ursula McKenna Award

The Siena College Alumnae Association provides the annual Dr Ursula McKenna Award. Ursula McHenry, née McKenna (Class of 1948), holds the distinction of being Siena College's first student to complete a tertiary education. The award recognises excellence in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Recipient: Dr Debbie Phyland (Class of 1982)



# Student Honour Awards

# Dominic and May Elizabeth Puli Music Encouragement Award

The Music Encouragement Award acknowledges a student's passion for music and commitment to enhancing the cultural life of Siena College.

### **Excellence in Sport**

This award recognises the ongoing pursuit and achievement of excellence in sport at Siena College. It is based on commitment, team work, leadership and Siena values.

# Margaret Smith Award (Middle and Senior School)

This award acknowledges a student in both the Middle and Senior school who has demonstrated a passion for education and learning, espoused the Dominican values of justice, compassion, love of truth and beauty, and actively shown a willingness 'to serve the Lord with gladness.'

### Salamanca Award

In recognition of a Year 12 student who has demonstrated commitment to the study of Humanities as evidenced by high achievement in History as well as either Literature or Politics, together with interests that extend beyond the classroom.

### **Christian Leadership Award**

Presented to the student who has shown by example a preparedness to put Christian values into action and a capacity to inspire others to do likewise.

### **General Proficiency Award**

This award is given to the student who has consistently demonstrated a high standard of academic achievement and contributed significantly to the academic and cocurricular life of the College.

### Principal's Award

This award is bestowed upon an exceptional student in any one year and is at the discretion of the Principal.

### Siena Award

The Siena Alumnae Association has instituted the annual Siena Award that is presented to a Year 12 student on completion of her studies. The award acknowledges excellence based on Siena values as espoused in the College Mission Statement.

# A Dominican Blessing

May God the Father and Creator of all bless us. May God the Son and Greatest Teacher heal and guide us. May God the Holy Spirit enlighten us, and give us eyes to see the beauty or our world, ears to hear the cries of the poor, hands to do the work of God in a spirit of service and justice, feet to walk toward those alone, grieving or in need, a mouth to preach the word of salvation with power and truth, and the angel of peace to watch over us and lead us at last, by our Lord's gift, to the Kingdom. Amen

# Hymn to St Catherine

St Catherine of Siena's words resound for us today, That Holy woman's fire And strength will light for us the way, Afraid of no man Pope nor Prince She challenged those in doubt, The Love of God will save us all and put the dark to rout.

(Chorus) For Veritas cry out with joy Fear not for truth sets free The courage of our love for truth Will win eternity.

The mercy of our risen Lord Is truth by which to live A mercy that can conquer death as God His son did give Eternal mercy by whose power Christ's love will wash us clean The light, which shines upon our lives, A rock on which to lean.

(Chorus)





