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NEW DATE – Thursday 14 November, 2019 Adventure Tourism Awards and Youth Tourism Conference

Adventure Queensland (AQ), the peak backpacking and independent travel industry body for Queensland is excited to announce the return of the Adventure Tourism Awards and Youth Tourism Conference that will take place on the Gold Coast on Thursday 14 November 2019.

Following the success of last year's outstanding conference and awards night, AQ are continuing to focus on curating an industry led awards program and showcasing some of Australia and New Zealand's tourism operators.

Along with supporters and sponsors of the youth tourism sector, AQ's goal is to highlight the importance of formally recognising outstanding tourism experiences, people and places within this dynamic industry.

Commenting on the importance of the industry led event, AQ President, Mr David Cox said: "It's important that our industry comes together, as one voice, to not only celebrate our successes but to also collaborate on topics that impact our sector. I feel this is best done by our industry and that is why we are so excited to facilitate an awards program and conference that is put together by the industry for the industry".

President of BOA NSW, Sarah Flynn said: "After such a successful inaugural event last year, BOA NSW is again looking forward to collaborating with AQ in bringing the industry together to celebrate our amazing achievements. I love attending these events with all the familiar faces but most importantly to see businesses being rewarded for all their hard work."

Nominations will be open on the event website from Monday 1 July, 2019. Full details on the award finalist judging process, conference program, registration details and speakers will also soon be available.

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