

## DARWIN CONVENTION CENTRE SCORES SILVER AT TOP TOURISM AWARDS

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Darwin's multi-awarded convention centre notched another win when it was honoured with a Silver award at the tourism industry's "night of nights".

Darwin Convention Centre sparkled in the Business Tourism category of the 28th Australian Tourism Awards gala, the annual celebration of the highest achievements of Australian tourism businesses which was held in Hobart 15th February. Over 850 industry leaders and operators attended the event.

Finalists are drawn from the State and Territory Tourism Awards winners - including the Brolga Northern Territory Tourism Awards - across 27 categories including tour and transport operators, accommodation, attractions, business tourism, events and new tourism development.

Entrants first had to win their respective state category. The Centre has come away with the Brolga Awards three years in a row.

"It is an honour to receive national recognition with a silver award as a tourism business that strives for excellence in every area of our operation," says Malu Barrios, General Manager of the Darwin Convention Centre.

It was an amazing night for Northern Territory tourism operators, having won no less than nine awards - five gold awards, one silver and three bronze.

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