

Media Release

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CELEBRATING VICTORIA'S MANUFACTURING EXCELLENCE

Industrial design and advanced manufacturing business Integra Systems is this year's inductee at the 2022 Victorian Manufacturing Hall of Fame Awards.

Minister for Industry Support and Recovery Ben Carroll congratulated the winners and finalists at an awards ceremony last night in Melbourne – marking the 20th anniversary of the renowned awards.

'Made in Victoria' was the theme for this year's awards, which highlight the breadth of products, machinery and equipment produced in Victoria, and recognises the people and businesses that are driving the sector's success and growth.

Awards were presented across 14 categories including three new awards for *Leader in Low Carbon Economy*, *Outstanding Responsiveness to COVID-19* and *Leader in Diversity and Inclusion*.

Broadmeadows-based Integra Systems, which manufactures light metal products, also took out the award for *Leader in Workforce Skills Development*.

Health technology company Planet Innovation was awarded *Manufacturer of the Year* for large business and *Outstanding Responsiveness to COVID-19* for its work in producing critical health products throughout the pandemic, including surface sterilisation and portable ventilators.

Care Essentials, a healthcare manufacturer in Geelong, took out *Manufacturer of the Year* for medium businesses, and 3D printing company, Amaero Additive Manufacturing in Notting Hill was the small business winner.

NCI Packaging received the inaugural *Leader in Low Carbon Economy* award for reducing its energy output by installing solar power across its Australian sites, while the *Leader in Diversity and Inclusion* award went to Elastomers Australia for providing more employment opportunities for Indigenous employees and women.

Victoria's manufacturing industry contributes around \$30 billion to the local economy each year, supports around 260,000 jobs and provides more than 27 per cent to the nation's manufacturing output.

For the full list of winners and finalists, visit business.vic.gov.au/halloffame.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Industry Support and Recovery Ben Carroll

"Victoria is Australia's manufacturing state and we are backing innovative companies to beat the best in the world."

"These awards recognise the contribution of our leading manufacturers that are developing new technologies and processes that help to create jobs throughout Victoria."

"We're continuing to support our manufacturers because we want to expand what is made in Victoria – which will boost our economy."

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