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Good evening and welcome to the 7th annual Herald Higher Education Awards.

These awards celebrate the extraordinary work in universities and colleges across Scotland and highlight innovation in teaching and turn the spotlight on how our Higher Education institutions successfully market themselves, support students, and engage with employers. And, importantly, they recognise the amazing students who make a significant contribution to student life as well as academia.

We received more than 100 entries this year – and once again the standard was incredibly high, making it a very difficult process for our judges to narrow down the shortlists.

I would like to thank our partners, as without them, this event would not be possible. We have been delighted to work with City of Glasgow College, Jisc, QAA Scotland, Scottish Funding Council and Studiosity on this year’s awards.

A special thanks to our esteemed judging panel for the time they took diligently assessing each of the entries and ensuring that this was a fair and robust process.

And, finally, thank you all for being here tonight and supporting the event and all our brilliant finalists.

Have a fantastic evening.

Donald Martin
Editor, The Herald & Herald on Sunday
Editor-in-Chief, Newsquest Scotland
THE HOST

Jo Caulfield, BAFTA-winning star of Getting On and Through The Cakehole has been hailed by The Mirror as Jo, born in Wales to Irish parents, grew up in England and recently moved to live in Scotland. She is a comedian, writer, and actress.

A familiar face in UK as well as international comedy clubs, she’s completed several nationwide tours, and has also supported Graham Norton, and Rory Bremner. Her Edinburgh Festival Shows regularly sell out as she is a favourite with Festival audiences.

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EVENING ITINERARY

7.00pm Drinks Reception
7.30pm Opening Entertainment, Gordon Robertson
7.50pm Welcome, Donald Martin, Editor, The Herald & Herald on Sunday, Editor-in-Chief, Newsquest Scotland
8.00pm Dinner David Laing, Capella String Quartet
9.30pm Awards Ceremony
10.30pm After Dinner Networking
1.00am Event close
MENU

**Starter**
Heirloom tomato & mozzarella bruschetta, balsamic, basil & rocket salad

**Main**
Slow braised Scottish beef, roasted carrots, parsnips, horseradish mash, mushroom & smoked bacon sauce

**Dessert**
Glazed lemon tart, berry compote & raspberry sauce

Tea, coffee & tablet

*Vegetarian option available
Delighted to sponsor the Enhancing Student Learning Award

Congratulations to all the finalists:
City of Glasgow College, The University of Edinburgh, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde and the University of the West of Scotland

The quality of the submissions was very high and it was inspiring to learn more about the diverse range of projects and approaches being adopted across the higher education sector in Scotland. All of the finalists have worked hard in what has continued to be a challenging period and they should be very proud of what they’ve achieved.

Caroline Turnbull, Acting Director Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland

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JUDGES

Donald Martin (Chairman)
Editor, The Herald & Herald on Sunday, Editor-in-Chief, Newsquest Scotland

Stephen Crowe
Assistant Director of Communications, Scottish Funding Council

Roy Gardner
Vice Principal for Corporate Development & Innovation, City of Glasgow College

Mhairi Harrington OBE

Jason Miles-Campbell
Head of Jisc Scotland and Jisc Northern Ireland, Jisc

Shona Struthers
Chief Executive Officer, Colleges Scotland

Caroline Turnbull
Acting Director, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, QAA
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FINALISTS

ENHANCING STUDENT LEARNING AWARD

sponsored by QAA Scotland

• City of Glasgow College - Learn it. Earn it.
• University of Edinburgh - Academic Integrity Interactive Package
• University of Glasgow - T2G: Transition to Glasgow
• University of Strathclyde - Strathclyde Inspire
• University of the West of Scotland - Collaboration in the Curriculum: A Partnership Approach to Academic Skills

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION FROM A UNIVERSITY STUDENT

• Alessandro Atzori - Perth College UHI
• Astrid Lucia Offersen - University of Aberdeen
• David Mercieca - University of Aberdeen
• Eve Daniell and Elizabeth Briggs - University of Dundee/Reach Tayside
• Gemma Lumsdaine - University of the West of Scotland
• Liam Cairney - Glasgow Caledonian University

SUPPORTING STUDENT WELLBEING AWARD

sponsored by Studiosity

• City of Glasgow College - Preventing Gender Based Violence
• Edinburgh College - Support for Unaccompanied Young People
• The University of Edinburgh Chaplaincy - The Listening Service
• UHI Inverness - Student Wellbeing @ The Bothy
• Strathclyde Student’s Union - Hear to Listen

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION FROM A COLLEGE STUDENT

• Kenny Morrison - City of Glasgow College
• Tali Fisher - Fife College Students’ Association

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION FROM A STAFF MEMBER

• Jenn Butterworth - Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
• Khadija Mohammed - University of the West of Scotland
• Penny Humphreys - Dumfries & Galloway College
• Dr Rachel Drury - Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
RESEARCH PROJECT OF THE YEAR
sponsored by Scottish Funding Council
• Edinburgh College – The Edinburgh College Research Unit
• University of Aberdeen - Cool Farm Tool/Professor Pete Smith
• University of Strathclyde - Microplate Dx
• University of the West of Scotland - Wellbeing and sustainability in aquaculture

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT IN UNIVERSITIES
• Abertay University - Sustainable Spirits
• Heriot-Watt University - Medical Device Manufacturing Centre
• University of Strathclyde - Sir Jules Thorn Centre for Co-Creation of Rehabilitation Technology
• University of Strathclyde - Knowledge Transfer Partnership with Fathom Systems
• University of the West of Scotland - Knowledge Transfer Partnership Centre

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT IN COLLEGES
• City of Glasgow College - Leidos UK: Use of the Flexible Workforce Development Fund to Upskill Staff and Boost Productivity
• Fife College College - Developing the Workforce through Wind Energy
• New College Lanarkshire - Pathways to Textile Care and Warehousing
• West College Scotland - WCS James Frew Academy

INNOVATIVE USE OF TECHNOLOGY AWARD
sponsored by Jisc
• Edinburgh College - VR Dementia Experience
• The Open University - Code Break App
• Edinburgh Medical School Clinical Skills Team and Digital Education Unit - Through the patient’s eyes
• University of Strathclyde
• University of the West of Scotland - UWS student success team

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
• Edinburgh Napier University - Merchiston Publishing, “Books to Bairns”
• Fife College - Lorraine Wilkinson
• Fife College Students’ Association
• The Open University - Mock COP in Schools
• University of Strathclyde - Social Responsibility Pathways

PARTNERSHIP AWARD
• City of Glasgow College - VET Teachers Embracing Digital Disruption
• Edinburgh College - Edinburgh College/Scottish Association of Minority Ethnic Educators (SAMEE)/Scottish Parliament – Emerging Leaders
• Edinburgh College - Edinburgh College’s Digital Care Hub in partnership with The University of Edinburgh
• Edinburgh Napier University - INTER
• New College Lanarkshire, North Lanarkshire Council and University of Strathclyde - Smart Hub Lanarkshire

**MARKETING/PR CAMPAIGN OF THE YEAR**
• City of Glasgow College - Get Ready for College
• Edinburgh Napier University - #NapierNames
• New College Lanarkshire - You’re Not Alone
• University of Aberdeen - Cutting through the noise at COP26
• University of the West of Scotland - UWS Together

**WIDENING ACCESS AWARD**
• Glasgow Kelvin College - Springburn Community and Youth Hub
• Royal Conservatoire of Scotland/ Music Education Partnership Group - Music for Scotland
• Strathclyde Student’s Union

• University of the West of Scotland, North Lanarkshire Council & New College Lanarkshire - North Lanarkshire Pathways and Partnership Project

**EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AWARD**
• Abertay University - Race Equality Charter and Diversity Fest
• City of Glasgow College - British Sign Language Action Plan
• Edinburgh Napier University - Bleedin’ Saor
• Edinburgh Napier University - Merchiston Publishing, “Books to Bairns”
• West College Scotland - Your Employability Skills (YES)

**LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**
sponsored by City of Glasgow College
• Professor Alan Miller - Scottish Universities Physics Alliance
• Professor John Struthers - University of the West of Scotland
• Marjory Crooks - Edinburgh College
• Dr Veena O’Halloran - University of Strathclyde

**HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OF THE YEAR**
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