

CAMDEN COUNCIL

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Camden's Youth Program Best in the State!

Camden Council was awarded the **Best** Local Youth Week Program 2014 Award at the Local Government Awards for Youth Week at Parliament House, Sydney on Thursday 7 August 2014.

Camden's 2014 Youth Week Program saw 1,692 local young people attend and participate in 31 activities – the highest participation rate Camden has ever seen. The activities were organised by Camden Youth Council, a sub-Council of Camden Council, in partnership with 12 different organisations including schools, youth services, local businesses and community groups.

Mayor of Camden, Councillor Lara Symkowiak said she was extremely proud of the Award.

“This is an outstanding result for Camden Council – to beat 152 other Council's to be awarded the Best Local Youth Week Program is a phenomenal achievement. A significant amount of work goes into these events as well as months of planning and promotion so it's good to see such a great outcome at the Youth Week events and to be recognised at the Local Government Awards. Congratulations to the staff at Council, the Youth Council and all the participating community organisations who took part in this year's Youth Week”.

“Young people are an integral part of our community and are our future leaders so it is imperative we provide services, activities and events like Youth Week and the future PCYC to ensure young people stay engaged and have the facilities and services they require” she said.

Camden Council was also nominated as a State Finalist for the Best On-Going Commitment to Local Youth Week Award.

This is the fifth consecutive year Council has been listed as a State Finalist in a Youth Week category.

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