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**Curtin University’s  John Curtin Weekend project was Highly Commended in the category of Social Responsibility.**

The winners of the 2013 Green Gown Awards Australasia were announced at an award ceremony at the Scenic Waterview in Bicentennial Park, Sydney on 26 September. \_In their fourth year, the Awards recognise sustainability excellence within the tertiary education sector in Australia and New Zealand and this year drew  winners in nine categories, with over 40 institutions involved, representing over 20% of the sector.  Judged by a panel of independent experts representing 26 sector representatives, the judges were delighted with the high calibre and diverse selection of entries.

John Curtin Weekend, Curtin Volunteers!’ largest community project began in 1999  when six groups of students and staff undertook community-initiated projects at various locations around WA. They aimed to embody the values of vision, leadership and community service which were values that John Curtin, our University’s namesake and Australia’s former Prime Minister, held dear.  Since its inception, JCW has grown substantially and in 2013, approximately 530 volunteers are currently visiting 47 regional and metropolitan sites, engaging in projects nominated by the local community.  Curtin’s Sarawak campus has 120 volunteers also participating in JCW this year.

More information: http://unilife.curtin.edu.au/jcw.htm

**Curtin’s SWIM Team were also finalists in this category.**

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