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The Hon. Graham West MP
Minister for Juvenile Justice
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Sheetmetal Industry Association's Sculptor of the Year Award

Minister for Youth, Graham West, has today presented certificates to the finalists of the Sheetmetal Industry Association's annual Sculptor of the Year Award.

Mr West said "NSW school students aged between 13 and 19 entered their metal-work based creations for consideration in the Sculptor of the Year Award".

The 11 NSW finalists are:

- Charles Alley of Year 9 from Yass High School in Yass;
- Mitch Clarke of Year 8 from Braidwood Central School in Braidwood ;
- Jack Dillon of Year 9 from Bellingen High School in Bellingen;
- Cody Klomp of Year 8 from Braidwood Central School in Braidwood;
- Dale Leslie of Year 10 from Bellingen High School in Bellingen;
- Catherine Lockyer of Year 12 from Walcha Central School in Walcha;
- Michael Lockyer of Year 9 from Walcha Central School in Walcha;
- Ryan Mills of Year 11 from Blue Mountains Grammar School in Wentworth Falls;
- Daniel Munroe of Year 7 from Mulwaree High School in Goulburn;
- Curtis Schaefer of Year 8 from Henry Lawson High school in Grenfell; and
- Ariel Sartoretto of Year 10 from Mary MacKillop College in Wakeley.

Mr West congratulated the finalists on their artworks.

"The quality of entries was very high, and demonstrates just how innovative young people can be," Mr West said.

"The Sheetmetal Industry Association's annual Sculptor of the Year Awards provides an opportunity for young people to develop their artistic skills.

"This is the 6th year that the Association has run the sculpture awards," Mr West added.

The winner of the Sculptor of the Year Award will be announced tonight along with the SIA/TAFE Apprentice of the Year, at the Sheetmetal Industry Association's Gala Dinner.

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