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The Star receives four accolades in the Tourism Accommodation Australia (NSW) Awards

27 July 2018 – Sydney, Australia: The Star Sydney has once again been recognised for outstanding quality, winning four categories in the esteemed Tourism Accommodation Australia NSW Awards for Excellence 2018 held at The Star Event Centre

Nominated across 11 categories, this year the Tourism Accommodation Australia (NSW) Awards recognised The Star for its exceptional dining and talent across the business. One of these accolades includes Restaurant of the Year (Deluxe Hotels) for BLACK Bar & Grill, a fine dining establishment that presents the finest steakhouse cuisine, inspired by contemporary Australia and its seasonal produce.

The Star also picked up the top award in the following categories:

- Revenue / Yield Talent of the Year: Kate Watt
- Human Resources Talent of the Year: Judith Mackenzie
- Rooms Division Talent of the Year: Daniel Worlsey (highly commended)

Dino Mezzatesta, COO of Hotels, Retail and Food and Beverage, attributes the win to The Star's passionate workforce and their relentless pursuit of excellence in all areas of its business.

"Winning four awards is a simply outstanding achievement. Congratulations to our wonderful team who take the utmost pride in delivering excellence in service, memorable moments and unique experiences for all our guests and visitors. Such recognition wouldn't be possible without them," he said.

"Under the expertise of Executive Chef, Dany Karam, BLACK Bar & Grill continues to go from strength to strength. Winning Restaurant of the Year is testament to the relentless passion the team injects into their work, and firmly cements it as one of Australia's most impressive restaurants."

Last night's win for BLACK Bar & Grill joins a number of other wins for the dining establishment, including Chef of the Year for Dany Karam at last year's NSW Tourism Accommodation Australia

Awards, Three Goblets at the Gourmet Traveller Awards for the last three years running, and Certificate of Excellence from TripAdvisor.

BLACK Bar & Grill will compete for the national title at the National Awards for Excellence, which will take place on Monday, 17 September 2018 at the Sheraton Grand Mirage Resort, Gold Coast.

Recognised as the most prestigious hospitality and tourism awards, the TAA NSW Awards for Excellence ceremony honours the achievement of excellence in a range of categories in the accommodation industry.

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About The Star Sydney:

The Star Sydney is Australia's premier place to play. A sip of sparkling. A dozen freshly shucked oysters. Crisp white sheets and red carpet. Diamonds and spades. Gucci and gastronomy. The day begins with luxury – where it ends is up to you. At The Star, we have just one mission — to thrill. That's why we have all star chefs and restaurants, luxurious accommodation and high-end fashion, a sumptuous day spa, an amazing nightclub, and, of course, the world-class casino. It's all yours for the taking, so will you? Come and play at The Star.