



April 2017

A Message from our Presidents

April has been a busy month with our AGM and election of our new WIT Board Members. The AGM was a great event...a little disappointing with high numbers of non attendance...but those who did attend enjoyed some great networking and talks from our two inspirational speakers Richi Nayak and Michele Burford.



The financial position for the organisation is looking solid and our Financial Reports can be viewed [here](#) together with our Constitution. These are available on the About Us page of our website at any time.



The exciting part of the event of course was announcing our new 2017 WIT Board Members. We were very motivated by the number of nominations we received for the positions and the interest from our membership in supporting our great organisation. Many of the unsuccessful applicants have also committed to assist us by sitting on various committees and volunteering, so a huge thanks to them and our very talented successful candidates can be viewed below.

We have some great events coming up in May with our [Step Up #1 Building your Job Ready Tool Kit, Champagne and Coding](#) and our [Life Sciences Professional Development Event - Communicate your Impact in the Real World](#). There was a huge interest in our Champagne & Coding event which is now fully booked but we will run another session later on this year.

Work is continuing on our [WIT Awards](#) and bookings for the event are now open. We have recently announced some new categories for our 2017 Awards program, including an ICT and Life Sciences Young Achievers awards for women in university or new to the industry in a graduate position (up to 2 years in) making a significant contribution to their team and organisation. Nominations and applications are NOW OPEN, so if you know someone you'd like to nominate, or would like to nominate yourself, please check out [our page for more information](#)

We look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events and especially our WIT Awards in September where we celebrate you, our amazing women in technology!



OUR NEWLY ELECTED WIT BOARD MEMBERS - WELCOME!

Tracy Russell (Business Development) - "There are two things that I am passionate about....seeing more women getting involved in technology careers and in business development."



Penny Holder (Operations & Governance) - "I believe my capability and passion make me highly suitable for the position. I welcome the opportunity to bring a fresh & experienced approach to transformation, implementation and management of good governance practices, processes and operational support."

Emma Greenley (Secretary) - "I am well placed to be a highly effective contributor to the outstanding work WIT is doing to impact the experience of women in technology. I am extremely passionate about supporting roles women play within industry and my personal values and goals to make a difference to women, have drawn me to WIT as our goals and values align strongly."



Lisa Crowley (Life Sciences Committee Chair) - "I am a Research Ops Manager with over 10yrs experience as a biomedical and clinical researcher. In 2011 I took on a biomedical post-doctoral position & during this time realised my passion for translational research and shifted to clinical research. I now concentrate on the operational side of research and currently oversee operations of Mater Research. Through this have honed my project management, organization, communication and collaboration skills."

A real-world leader

We are a globally positioned university offering real-world outcomes for our graduates through our leading academics, focus on modern learning, and state-of-the-art facilities.

QUT PARTNER WITH WIT AGAIN IN 2017 - SPONSOR OF OUR LIFE SCIENCE OUTSTANDING AWARD

We are very grateful to have QUT on board with us again as sponsor of our 2017 WIT Life Sciences Outstanding Award as well as sponsor of one of our Step Up Workshops and ICT Breakfast.

Remember if you are an employee of QUT you are entitled to be listed free of charge under their membership and receive all member benefits. If you are not already listed simply email admin@wit.org.au to arrange. [Read more.....](#)



WIT AWARD NOMINATIONS & APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN!

It's time to NOMINATE an extraordinary woman in technology! For over two decades, the WIT Awards have celebrated outstanding women in technology and provided a well-deserved platform for recognition. The story of every finalist and winner is inspiring and unique but they all share a strong drive and passion for excellence and we celebrate them!

[To apply or Nominate Click Here](#)

Thinking of applying for a WIT Award? But thinking..... "I'm not worthy of an award"... "I'd be embarrassed to put myself out there"... "My achievements are not that special"... "I really don't have time"

Take time to listen to Sarah talk about her journey and make a resolution that 2017 will be the year that you will back yourself. A large contingent of our applicants repeatedly say how powerful and impactful the process was irrelevant of the outcome. AND we have kept the process as streamline and easy as possible so no excuses!

[Hear Sarah talk about her award journey](#)

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