

Pearcey Foundation "Young Guns" debate



Creating an environment for technology entrepreneurial leadership in NSW *plus* Presentation of the NSW 2009 Pearcey Award for entrepreneurial leadership 12th November 2009 5.00 for 5.25pm start, followed by drinks & canapes 7.00-7.45pm Jubilee Room, NSW Parliament. *Free of charge. By invitation only. RSVP essential*

The NSW Pearcey Committee invites you to participate in a debate to be held at NSW Parliament evening 12th November, to discuss how we can create a better climate for technology entrepreneurial leadership in NSW. Invited to the debate are leading politicians, entrepreneurs, business leaders, secondary and tertiary students.

Following the debate the annual NSW Pearcey award for entrepreneurial leadership will be presented (see www.pearcey.org.au for details of previous winners). The NSW Pearcey Award is presented to a "mid career" technology entrepreneur who has already made a significant contribution to the ICT industry, and who has the potential to make further significant contributions.

The event will also highlight the outcomes of the recent Public Sphere events held in Canberra, Wollongong and Sydney, with updates by Penny Sharpe NSW MLC and Federal Senator Kate Lundy.

VENUE: Jubilee Room, NSW Parliament House

REGISTRATION: Free of charge. By invitation only. RSVP is essential due to NSW Parliament security.

PROGRAM:

- 5.00pm Registration & drinks
- 5.25pm Opening by Barry Buffier, NSW Dept of State and Regional development
- 5.35pm Young Guns debate, led by leading NSW technology entrepreneurs & previous Pearcey winners:
 - Pia Waugh – Waugh Partners
 - Silvia Pfeiffer – CEO, VQence
 - Matt Barrie – CEO, GetaFreelancer
 - Mike Cannon-Brookes – CEO, Atlassian
- 6.35pm Overview of public sphere events, Senator Kate Lundy and NSW MLC Penny Sharpe
- 6.45pm Presentation of the NSW Pearcey Award by Hon Ian MacDonald MLC, NSW Minister for State Development
- 7.00pm Drinks and canapes
- 7.45pm Close

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