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# Golden age of film

## ANIMATED SHORT PROVIDES FOOD FOR THOUGHT

ALL Saints' College student Rory Dalitz has been named the inaugural winner of Murdoch University's Golden Mesh Award for his witty animated short film *Gourmet Grief*.

Rory was selected from the seven category winners of the competition, which rewards and encourages high school students in creative media.

"I was surprised and honoured to receive the Golden Mesh award and I am grateful to everyone who helped with the film," he said.

His film was selected by a judging panel of academic and industry experts. Former Pixar animator and Murdoch School of Arts lecturer Simon Allen, described *Gourmet Grief* as "a brilliantly written and crafted animated short".

The Mesh Awards were open to Year 10 and 11 high school students studying across Western Australia.

Murdoch University Pro Vice Chancellor Learning and Teaching Sara de Freitas said the judges had been delighted by the level of creativity, originality and technical skill demonstrated by the entrants.

"This is a credit to the aptitude of our entrants and the teaching, passion, and support of media teachers and high schools across WA," she said.

"Murdoch University is extremely excited to foster and celebrate emerging young creatives across the arts."



Rory Dalitz receives his award from Murdoch University's Sara de Freitas. Right: A still from *Gourmet Grief*.



### MESH AWARD CATEGORY WINNERS

- BEST DRAMATIC MONOLOGUE TO CAMERA:** Sophie Herbert, Mandurah Catholic College
- BEST SHORT STORY:** Jennifer Comrie, Baldivis Secondary College
- BEST PERSUASIVE ESSAY:** Darcy Hillman, Helena College
- BEST SHORT DRAMATIC FILM:** Rory Dalitz, All Saints College
- BEST AUDIO RECORDED INTERVIEW:** Jai Corry, Mandurah Catholic College
- BEST PHOTOGRAPHIC SERIES:** Alister Killow, St Mark's Anglican Community School
- BEST VIDEO GAME CHARACTER CONCEPT:** Hannah Flavell, John XXIII College