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## Landcare - Reconnecting People, Place and Nature

The innovation and efforts of Tasmania's community members who care for the State's land and environment have been recognised at the Landcare Tasmania Community Recognition Awards in Launceston today.

As part of Landcare Tasmania's bi-annual conference, the Landcare Tasmania Community Recognition Awards acknowledge innovation, inspiration and community-building in Landcare and land management.

The Tasmanian Government is a proud sponsor of the Awards and Conference, providing \$20,000 in financial support for the event which had the theme "Restoration: Reconnecting People, Place and Nature".

The Landcare Tasmania conference provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of its volunteers and to strengthen community-based landcare by sharing knowledge, skills, and experience for best-practise land management.

Landcare Tasmania has approximately 276 member groups and about 5,000 volunteer members state-wide who work on projects in their area to improve the health of natural and working environments.

Todd Dudley, President of the North East Bioregional Network, has been awarded the 2021 Tasmanian Premier's Landcare Award.

Todd has demonstrated a long-term commitment over 30 years to inspire by example and educate the community about best practice, holistic conservation land management.

Over this time, he has shown enormous dedication in protecting, maintaining and restoring biodiversity in the North East region, and he has demonstrated that economic and social benefits also flow from ecological restoration.

Todd, together with other Landcare award finalists, will represent Tasmania at the 2022 National Landcare Awards.

For more information about the Landcare Tasmania Awards and Conference, go to <https://www.landcaretas.org.au/conference2021>