



LIW 2004 at William Angliss Institute of TAFE

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A chocolate-shop owner with job opportunities for students. A celebrity chef who likes to 'touch' at least one customer a day. A restaurant owner who thinks chefs have become too exalted by the media. A coffee retailer who once had a \$US12 cup of coffee in Japan. This is just some of what William Angliss Institute of TAFE students and staff were treated to during LIW 2004, as a series of guest speakers from the hospitality and tourism industries visited the library.

The outstanding line-up included Shane Hills from Koko Black Café and Suga confectionery shops, Geoff Lindsay from Pearl Restaurant and Bar, Matteo Pignatelli from Matteo's, and Guy Grossi from Grossi Florentino. The students were able to hear how these passionate and driven individuals had made it to the top of their field.

Wine tasting was a feature of a talk by wine-maker Mark Matthews from Goona Warra Winery. Students heard a history of the winery and were treated to a drop of their finest reds and whites. Just to prove how 'healthy' this was, the next day, a wine studies teacher gave a talk on wine and its health effects.

Writers were also well-represented with Kylie Walker editor of the *Epicure* supplement in *The Age* giving a fascinating insight on what it is like reporting on the food and wine scene. Mike Edmonds from the *Herald-Sun* spoke about how he compiles all of those juicy titbits for 'The Eye' column.

Students had the chance to pick the brain of the student employment officer in an interactive session on job searching, careers and employment.

Some lucky students did not leave empty-handed as prizes were awarded for the person on the 'lucky computer', a 'guess how many jellybeans are in the jar' competition and a LIW word puzzle.

To end the week on a high note, there was a morning



Giao Pham, Christine Mackenzie, Hala Zabakly at the closing of Library Week morning tea at William Angliss Institute of TAFE

tea for all staff. Special guest Christine Mackenzie, immediate past president of ALIA, delivered a short closing address on the importance of library services to the Australian community and the vital lobbying role of ALIA.

After seven months of planning, LIW 2004 at William Angliss Institute of TAFE was a huge success. The Library and Information Week committee called in many favours, exhausted all their contacts and wrote scores of letters. The whole team did a great job and got a lot out of organising and promoting the event, not to mention putting the library and its staff in the spotlight for a week.

For William Angliss Institute of TAFE students, it was a rare chance to get up close and personal with role models and leaders in their chosen industry. The library is grateful to all of the guest speakers who gave up their time to inspire and pass on their knowledge to the next generation. ■



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