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KCGM Employee Finalist in 2018 Women in Resources Awards

KCGM employee Shannon Youd has been chosen as a finalist in the Chamber of Mineral and Energy of WA (CME) Women in Resources Awards (WIRA).

Shannon, a Maintenance Planner Scheduler has been nominated in the Outstanding Operator/Technician/Tradeswoman category, as well as for the People's Choice Award.

At the age of 16, Shannon commenced her dual electrical/instrumental trade apprenticeship and after a career in mining spanning 26 years she continues to challenge the status quo. "What I have learnt since entering the male-dominated industry is that you don't have to be 'one of the boys,' to be successful. Being 'different' is actually my strength and I have used it to encourage young women to enter and succeed in similar trades," Shannon said.

Dedicating her time to mentoring and sharing her story with school students and other women within the workplace; Shannon has recently become involved in the KCGM's Business Resource Group (BRG) as the Chairperson for the Women in Mining group. The BRG is an employee led group that champions Inclusion and Diversity at Newmont managed sites. She said she is proud of being recognised for the work she has done in this space, and is honoured to be a finalist for the award.

The Women in Resources Awards (WIRA) is a state-wide award, which recognises individuals and organisations working to build a world-class industry, which provides attractive career opportunities and enhances the recognition and participation of women in the sector. Voting for the People's Choice Award closes on Wednesday March 7, and all winners will be announced at the CME WIRA presentation breakfast on Friday March 9 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

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