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## **Most Outstanding Tourism Apprentice at Alice Springs Desert Park**

Alice Springs Desert Park guide Tahlia Peckham has won the 2008 Charles Darwin University *Most Outstanding Tourism Apprentice*.

Alice Springs Desert Acting Park Director Olivia Chandler congratulated Tahlia on her wonderful achievement.

“Tahlia joined the Alice Springs Desert Park as an apprentice guide in August 2008, and has just completed her Certificate III in Tourism – Guiding at Charles Darwin University,” Miss Chandler said.

“We’re very pleased with her achievements and Tahlia now works as a full time guide at the Park and is an integral part of the guiding team.”

Tahlia said part of her role at the Desert Park was to give talks to visitors about ‘incredible edibles’, such as honey ants.

“I really enjoy my job at the Desert Park and love the opportunities it provides for interacting with visiting tourists and sharing stories with them about the Park,” Tahlia said.

“I also plan to continue my education and studies in Tourism.”

The Alice Springs Desert Park’s diverse guiding team provide approximately 75 000 visitors per year with a wide variety of interactive experiences.

Visitors are able to enjoy entertaining guide presentations throughout the day as well as join a guided dawn bird tour and nocturnal tours. Nocturnal tours run from 7pm Monday to Friday.

For more information about ASDP phone 8951 8788 or go to [www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au](http://www.alicespringsdesertpark.com.au).

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**Image – Tahlia Peckham**

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