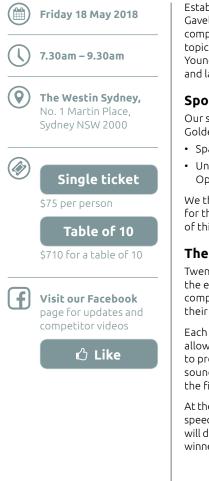




Information sheet

An annual event in NSW Young Lawyers calendar, it is an opportunity for young and aspiring lawyers to showcase their advocacy skills.



Established in 1993, the Golden Gavel is a public speaking competition, focused on legal topics and open to all NSW Young Lawyer members and law students.

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Our sponsors of the 2018 Golden Gavel Competition are:

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The rules

Twenty four hours before the event, the ten registered competitors will be emailed their topic.

Each competitor will be allowed three to five minutes to present - a warning bell will sound at three minutes and the final bell at five minutes.

At the conclusion of all speeches, the judging panel will deliberate and the winner will be announced.

The voting

Audience members will be voting live at the event to decide on the winner for the People's Choice Award. The overall winner will be decided by the judging panel.

The prize

The winner will be presented with the Golden Gavel trophy and will go on to represent NSW in the National Competition.

Prizes include:

- Runner up prize
- People's Choice Prize
- Lucky door prize
- Sponsor prizes

Why compete?

Display your oratory skills in front of an appreciative and captive audience, and have a bit of fun! **Register your interest** from Monday 5 March 2018.

Why attend?

Support the competitors and be part of the legal oratory event of the year! A great opportunity to network with colleagues in the legal fraternity. Make your vote count this year.

Golden Gavel Facebook

The event is professionally recorded and each competitor's speech is posted online on the same day, together with all important information about the event.

Topics from last year's competition

- 'We're going to win so much, you're going to get tired of winning' – responsibly managing client expectations
- Culleton's Principles of Constitutional Law
- Everything uni didn't teach me about law (that TV did)
- Everyone in this room will be replaced by a robot soon – except for me
- Lies everyone tells about their law job
- That wasn't perjury, that was an alternative fact
- Modernising the bar out with the wigs and in with...
- I haven't released the contents of my diary because...
- Lawyering in a post-truth world
- Error! Bookmark undefined embarrassing little mistakes that we all make

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