

PARLIAMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SEVENTH PARLIAMENT

Community Recognition Statement

10 May 2022

SAMANTHA HOWARD

Ms SONIA HORNERY (Wallsend):

Each year, the annual TexStyle exhibition showcases forty major works by HSC textiles students from across NSW—and this year's exhibition, showing works from the 2021 school year, includes one of Wallsend's own.

Samantha Howard, who graduated from Callaghan College last year, was featured in the Gallery 76-based showcase with her outstanding major work.

A medieval gown inspired by Tudor royalty that consists of five individually created pieces, including a cape, corset, petticoat, skirt and shirt, the piece includes fifteen metres of burgundy velvet, ten metres of bemsilk lining, and almost four metres of patterned gold velvet.

Despite her extraordinary talent, Samantha is aiming to keep textiles as a hobby—and she's got some amazing career goals!

She is joining the Royal Australian Navy as a Maritime Warfare Officer, and will be working towards a Bachelor of Science through the Defence Force.

Talk about multi-talented!

I wish Samantha all the best for her future.

I am sure she will excel in whatever field of endeavour she chooses to pursue.