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Tasmanian Craft Fair Premier's Award for Excellence

Melbourne designer Kim Simon has won the Premier's Award for Excellence at the Tasmanian Craft Fair for a display of garments made under her label 'fibre red'.

The \$10,000 prize was announced by Lyons MP Heather Butler in Deloraine tonight.

Ms Butler said the prize was a major Tasmanian art award and the \$10,000 prize money was more than double the amount offered last year.

"The prize provides a stage for competition as well as an opportunity for artists to be challenged, and in doing so, to be recognised for their outstanding work," she said.

"Tasmania is a creative and innovative community with the courage to experiment.

"Above all it is a community committed to quality.

"The Tasmanian Craft Fair embodies these attributes and has proven itself to be a showcase of the most exquisite crafts by some of our most skilled and talented craftspeople."

Ms Butler said the fair is believed to be unique in Australia as its largest working craft fair.

She congratulated prize entrants and all fair exhibitors for their creativity and innovation.