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Aspiring script writer takes home top award

There was one more reason to celebrate this week for aspiring script writer, Samantha Shannon who was awarded the 2014 Grammar Dux at the annual Secondary Awards Evening.

The young graduate was overwhelmed and incredibly honoured to take home the prestigious award.

“I'm incredibly gratefully, it really makes all the hard work and dedication that went into Grade 12 entirely worth it,” said Samantha.

However, the accolades didn’t stop there, a high achiever, Samantha was also awarded an Academic Distinction, an Endeavour Distinction, named the Top Student for English Extension, Top Student for English, Top Student for Modern History, Top Student for Legal Studies as well as the Top Student for Drama.

While Samantha will miss the constant support and encouragement from teachers and peers, who she believes have gone above and beyond to help her reach her potential, she is excited about what the future now holds.

“There’s this incredible feeling of warmth, respect and support within the Grammar community that I was lucky enough to experience every day as a student. Grammar fosters an environment that challenges each student to work hard to achieve their goals, and then ensures that they are rewarded for their efforts,” said Samantha.

“I have so many fond memories of school, particularly in my final year at Grammar. It has been both a challenging and rewarding journey and look forward to hopefully undertaking an acting and screenwriting internship on the Gold Coast, before starting university in February.”

Samantha has applied to study a Dual Degree in Law and Writing/English Literature either at QUT or the University of Sydney next year before eventually pursuing a career in script writing and publishing, but for now it is a nervous wait before OP results are released on December 20.

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