## Media Release

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## Echoes Boutique Hotel & Restaurant now Australia's best regional accommodation and fine dining experience

The collective luxury experience of fine dining and premium accommodation has earned Echoes Boutique Hotel & Restaurant in the Blue Mountains two major industry awards.

The Katoomba-based Luxury Collection Resort was named Regional Deluxe Hotel Accommodation of the Year and Regional Restaurant of the Year at the Tourism Association of Australia's annual Awards for Excellence dinner last week.

Group General Manager, Brian McHenry, said the latest awards for the eclectically designed hotel confirmed the property continued to offer guests a distinct premium spirit.

"These awards are also a reflection of the level of commitment by our staff and management team at both Echoes and adjacent property, Lilianfels Resort & Spa," Mr McHenry said.

"This is an important achievement at a time when the industry faces great challenges in the leisure market."

Echoes, the former Mountains retreat of Australian author Thomas Keneally, is about timeless luxury and opulent indulgence. It's a natural haven for rejuvenation with breathtaking World Heritage Area views.

Located on the edge of the Jamison Valley, the boutique hotel has 14 individually themed rooms, private spa and sauna, original artworks, open fireplaces and a chic bar attached to the landmark Echoes restaurant.

The highly awarded fine dining experience is celebrated for its fresh seasonal and region contemporary menu, to be explored during breakfast, lunch and dinner overlooking the serene valley.

Among its many accolades, Echoes was also named *Best Restaurant in a Hotel* in the Blue Mountains/ Central West Region Restaurant & Catering Awards from 2007 to 2010.

Echoes Boutique Hotel & Restaurant and Echoes Restaurant will now go through to the national awards in Tasmania in September.

## MID-WEEK ECHOES GOURMET PACKAGE

Two nights from \$850 – Sunday to Thursday

- 2 Nights' accommodation in a Deluxe View Room, including continental breakfast each morning
- 3-course dinner for 2 adults in our fine dining restaurant Echoes on a selected evening
- Includes complimentary use of Lilianfels Resort indoor/outdoor pool and gym during your stay at Echoes.

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