

'OUR STORY'

The Aromatherapy Room and www.beautytherapy.com.au have their origins immersed in over two decades of dedication to the practice of, and training in the areas of beauty and spa therapy, aromatherapy, massage, and natural therapies.

A little history

Janelle Falconer, founder of The Beauty Therapy Centre College in 1989, commenced her own study in Sydney in the early 1980's under the instruction and guidance of a well-known European therapist, in her AABTh Approved School. After extensive training in additional aspects of natural therapies she returned to North Qld taking over Airlie Beach's first beauty salon in 1985. The salon metamorphosed into a holistic centre where Janelle's passion for aromatherapy, massage and natural therapies were reflected in the treatments offered. The Beauty Therapy Centre-professional training academy, was born 4 years later as demand for well trained therapists was growing and supply lacking. Janelle found that staffing her own salon necessitated retraining her therapists.

During the 1990's the school set to work reaching quality standards in order to become an AABTh Approved School along with becoming one of Queensland's first Beauty Registered Training Organisations in 1993. The organisation received the 1995 Whitsunday Tourism Association Award for Industry Training, IFA Accreditation followed, and in 2000 the college became a Provider for International Students.

A second branch of The Beauty Therapy Centre was established in 2001 in Brisbane (now the Australian National College of Beauty in Bowen Hills). Soon after, the Whitsunday College was relocated to Townsville.

After 20 years of, on a professional level, living and breathing beauty therapy education, training an elite group of graduates throughout Queensland, and 25 years experience in the fields of beauty and natural therapies, Janelle decided it was time to for a little more life balance, transferring ownership of her college and the reigns of Principal to Sally-Jane Fenech in December 2008.

Training with The Beauty Therapy Centre in 2000 gaining Diplomas of Beauty Therapy and Aromatherapy and Certificate III in Nail Technology, Sally was awarded The AABTh Student of the year on her graduation. Her early career took her to many parts of the world travelling and working as a beauty and spa therapist on cruise ships with Steiner International. On returning to Australia she managed a day spa, before commencing her role as trainer and assessor assisting Janelle at The Beauty Therapy Centre in 2005. After 10 years industry experience, Sally is seeking new challenges and as Principal of The Beauty Therapy Centre has recently celebrated with her students, the 2009 midyear graduation and successful completion of the AABTh (Advanced Association of Beauty Therapist CIDE SCO Section Aust) exams where all students passed. Sally is assisted by Kim Sherley, another Beauty Therapy Centre graduate. Qualifying in 1997 Kim was nominated for the AABTh 'Best Thesis' Student Award that year. Kim has been involved in Beauty salons in New Zealand and Australia and has owned her own salon employing up to 11 staff. After 2 years travelling the world on a large private yacht, she has returned to The Beauty Therapy Centre in 2009, to share her skills with students, this time as a teacher.

Janelle, along with pursuing her passions for aromatherapy and holistic therapies, holds workshops through her business The Aromatherapy Room (www.aromatherapyroom.com.au or www.beautytherapy.com.au) and also continues to assist Sally at The Beauty Therapy Centre as education consultant, part time trainer and online tutor. Janelle invites industry professionals to list on www.beautytherapy.com.au by applying online.

More about THE AROMATHERAPY ROOM

The Aromatherapy Room offers quality training in aromatherapy, massage therapy, reflexology, and aspects of beauty and spa therapies. Janelle Falconer's reputation as a respected educator and passion for sharing her knowledge, expertise and experience ensures confidence in successful student outcomes.

During the past 20 years of training in these areas, Janelle has delivered through her Registered Training Organisation, The Beauty Therapy Centre, which she founded in 1989 and owned until 2008, among other qualifications, Diplomas of Aromatherapy and Beauty Therapy, Certificates in Remedial Therapies, Aromatherapy, Shiatsu, Sports massage, Reflexology and Swedish Massage, and Beauty Therapy. Her training experience also included 10 years of part time TAFE teaching. Since initially qualifying in Sydney in the early 1980s, she has 25 years experience as a practitioner in beauty and natural therapies and business management, owning and operating her own clinic/holistic centre from 1985 until 1997.

Janelle holds Diploma Qualifications in Beauty Therapy, Aromatherapy, Remedial Therapies, Electrolysis/Diathermy and Certificate Qualifications in Reflexology, Lymph Drainage, Cosmetic Laser Therapy, Cosmetic Acupuncture, Human Bioscience 1&2 (University of New England UNE), Workplace Assessment and Training, Teacher International Federation of Aromatherapists. Along with being a registered assessor of the Advanced Association of Beauty Therapists (CIDESCO Section Aust), Janelle continues to maintain currency and industry awareness through regularly attending national and international seminars and workshops, partaking in continuing professional development and maintaining professional membership of key industry bodies.

Something for Everyone

The convenience of The Aromatherapy Room workshops held 'in house' for professionals allows for the flexibility many organisations require when it comes to upgrading or expanding their skills or those of their staff. Post graduate and refresher training offered by The Aromatherapy Room for qualified practitioners of natural therapies, massage, spa and beauty therapies provides the ideal training environment for professionals seeking to upgrade their skills, expand their services menu or to simply refresh.

For those wishing to practice in the industry professionally, to formalise Recognised Prior Learning into current qualifications, or to add to their existing qualifications, The Aromatherapy Room's ongoing training relationship with The Beauty Therapy Centre (Registered Training Organisation) allows for Nationally Recognised Qualifications or Statements of Attainment to be gained by way of a variety of delivery modes, including 'in house' and online, depending on the student's location and circumstances.

With stress being known as the major underlying cause of many diseases, both physically and psychologically, The Aromatherapy Room also offers lifestyle enhancement programs to non professionals providing enlightenment to the subtle potency, power and beauty of incorporating aromatherapy and related skills into everyday life as a preventative health measure.

Whether you're a professional, non-professional wishing to formalise or gain current qualifications, or just looking to enhance your lifestyle, The Aromatherapy Room will tailor a program to suit your needs offering one on one training or small groups 'in house', online or a combination of both delivery modes.

Workshops, programs and courses THE AROMATHERAPY ROOM

Aromatherapy massage

- a unique holistic technique utilising the principles of lymph drainage, shiatsu and swedish massage powered by the safe implementation of potent essential oils

Reflexology

- a balancing therapy based on stimulating the various zones and energy meridians of the feet and hands

Massage therapy

- the age old benefits on each of the body's systems by manipulating the soft tissues provides relaxation, enhanced circulation and overall well being

Aroma Spa therapies

- invigorating and relaxing body treatments incorporating aromatherapy massage, exfoliations, packs, reflexology with essential oil therapy

Essential Oil Chemistry & its practical application

- an insight into the science of why and how the essential oils of plants work so therapeutically on the body as a whole

Aromatherapy Facials

- helps to bring one's complexion to its optimal best by combining specific massage techniques, essential oils, exfoliations and clays

Facial Lymphatic Drainage

- assisting the lymphatic functions of the face and head to detoxify and nourish the tissues

Shiatsu Facials

- pressure point treatments of the face help balance energy meridian flow resulting in enhanced overall function

Aromatherapy Room Signature treatments: Body, Facial, Foot, Back

- a selection of specifically developed techniques incorporating aromatherapy massage, reflexology, shiatsu, swedish massage, combined with the potency of essential oil therapy

Aromatherapy for Pregnancy and Breastfeeding

- safe use of essential oils with specialised non invasive massage enhance the quality of this important phase in women's lives

Beauty Therapy Qualifications

- The Aromatherapy Room , through association with The Beauty Therapy Centre offers assistance in obtaining nationally recognised qualifications and statements of attainment.

Further details on individually tailored programs, postgraduate/refresher workshops, durations, and availability will be emailed to you on request and on receipt of your web enquiry message (see Contact The Aromatherapy Room page on this site)

Please note that course costs may vary from location to location due to distance required to travel and other associated costs.

The Aromatherapy Room looks forward to hearing from you.

More about THE BEAUTY THERAPY CENTRE

The Beauty Therapy Centre specialises in offering quality training to national and international standards with its training focus being small groups with experienced and qualified trainers to ensure successful outcomes for each individual student. Consistent passion for teaching motivated beauty therapy students has resulted in helping to develop many exceptionally successful therapists, who now practice anywhere in the world, interstate and also locally.

As an AABTh Approved School, The Beauty Therapy Centre offers Certificate IV and Diploma of Beauty Therapy courses with the prestigious accreditation of the Advanced Association of Beauty Therapists (AABTh) – CIDESCO Section Australia. Student membership of the AABTh is included in the Diploma and Certificate IV. AABTh membership exams are held at the College to enable student members to upgrade to professional members following the completion of their Certificate IV or Diploma training. The prestigious AABTh Student of the Year Trophy is awarded annually at graduation to a student who has demonstrated consistent excellence during training.

Additionally the training services of a selection of experienced technical experts in their given fields and trainers in the Beauty Industry, is utilized to provide quality training and assessing of students.

Steiner International who recruit and employ graduates for positions in their international day spas and cruise ships, hold all of their North Queensland interviews annually at the college.

The Beauty Therapy Centre's professional association is further enhanced by its longstanding relationships with major suppliers, professional bodies and strong industry networks. Students have access to several reputable product ranges with professional development and product knowledge workshops conducted both internally and externally. Product knowledge is gained and enhanced by providing *Dermologica*, *Pevonia Botanica*, *Payot* and *Thalgo*, treatments to clients and in training. *Dermologica* offers student support by way of education programs and its relationship to the *International Dermal Institute*. In recognition of excellence or expertise in various areas of training, students may receive graduation awards from these companies. The graduate's career and employment prospects are enhanced by the industry's recognition of these awards.

Courses offered by The Beauty Therapy Centre include: WRB50105 Diploma of Beauty Therapy, WRB40105 Certificate IV in Beauty Therapy, WRB30104 Certificate III in Beauty Services, WRB20104 Certificate II in Nail Technology, WRB20204 Certificate II in Make-up Services, WRB20304 Certificate II in Retail Cosmetic Services. Students may articulate into the higher certificate levels and Diploma from each Certificate.

Training is also offered in advanced, specialized or postgraduate areas through association with The Aromatherapy Room. Refresher courses, update workshops and individually tailored programs are also available. Through consultation, assistance is provided in creating a course to suit the future needs of individual students. Nationally recognized and accredited Statements of Attainment are issued for modules/ competencies completed. The required pre-requisites and underpinning knowledge is included in the program to ensure competent outcomes. Competencies completed articulate into or are credited towards qualifications if deciding later to achieve Certificates or the Diploma.

As a Registered Training Organisation delivering Nationally Recognised Training, the Beauty Therapy Centre has policies in place allowing Recognised Prior Learning for having previously completed the pre-requisites at another college, or for completing another course at The Beauty Therapy Centre.

Students may choose from a range of delivery modes to suit the needs of their lifestyle.

Aside from the full time training, part-time courses are offered along with flexible course commencement dates, and External study with 'block' attendance (arranged to suit participant and college). Individual and self-paced learning options may also be arranged.

VET programs available for secondary school students wishing to complete Certificate level training result in the successful completion of beauty qualifications which have been commenced whilst still at school. With flexibility and a choice of training delivery arrangements students are provided with the advantage of learning either in a metropolitan or regional area or alternatively a combination of both. If wishing to study in Regional Qld or Nationwide, attendance requirements may be complemented by clinical experience through a recognised clinic, approved by the college.

The college's 'training clinic' is open to the public by appointment and provides regular opportunities for participants to actively engage in achieving practical competencies such as: Communication, Assessing client requirements, Advising on beauty services, Providing facial, body massage, waxing, manicure and pedicure, aromatherapy, reflexology and many other treatments to clients.

Employers seek employees from The Beauty Therapy Centre and periodically hold interviews at the school. They also utilise the popular student clinic to sample the skills of prospective employees. This results in students having positions arranged prior to course completion for them to commence employment directly after training and provides an excellent industry networking opportunity.

In destination surveys and interviews with graduates over many years, the Beauty Therapy Centre graduate has consistently reflected high success rates in the industry. Many graduates have achieved a high level of career satisfaction and expertise in: self-employment - in salons, day-spas, gymnasiums, holistic centres, natural therapies/massage/aromatherapy clinics and freelance work; and in industry employment - in salons, on Resort Islands, on international cruise ships, in clinics with cosmetic surgeons, physiotherapists, chiropractors, naturopaths and for professional cosmetic companies as salon representatives and as teachers themselves. Beauty Therapy graduates who have performed to an exceptional level have been nominated for the AABTh National Award of Excellence and our graduates have been successful in receiving this award in the past.

Most recently graduates have gained employment on Resort Islands, in small and medium size businesses in Townsville, Brisbane and interstate, are working abroad or conducting freelance work or have started their own salons. Some of the graduates are currently furthering their education with studies in natural therapies and have articulated into the Bachelor of Health Science Aesthetic Practices, for which the Diploma of Beauty Therapy is a prerequisite.

Wherever the future takes graduates in this wonderful, dynamic and exciting field, a Beauty Therapy Centre Diploma or Certificate opens doors and enhances employment prospects.

