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On behalf of the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), we would like to thank you for all you have done to support the 2021 NYSF Year 12 Program.

The NYSF Year 12 Program is one of Australia's best-known STEM experiences, it has run for 38 years and has helped over 13,000 alumni realise life-long STEM literacy. NYSF gives students a broader understanding of the diverse study and career options available in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) and encourages continued study, training and research in these fields. Run by youth for youth, participants return and receive training to help run the program the year after attending. Deeply connected to the community, 20 local Rotary Districts and over 1,100 Rotary Clubs across Australia work closely with us to champion the NYSF Year 12 Program and to help students attend.

Normally delivered in a 2-week residential format in Canberra and Brisbane, due to the COVID-19 pandemic we pivoted to a non-residential delivery mode for 2021. We are exceptionally proud to have provided a new-look, highly engaging NYSF Year 12 Program with a stellar line-up of speakers, and an expanded program for over 575 students this January. Our re-invented 14-day program delivered 67 live digital sessions, featuring 182 speakers and enabled the safe delivery of 57 state-based in-person STEM visits over 3 days.

We featured two Nobel Prize winners, over 20 top experts in subjects ranging from venom to drones, workshops with leading scientists and STEM organisations, and an array of live crosses to some of the world's very best science and technology facilities, including to Casey Station in Antarctica and CERN in Switzerland. Plus, there was more that you can read about [here](#) and we encourage you to [sign up](#) for our regular updates.

We could not have delivered this exceptional program without your support. Thank you for sharing your time, your passion and enthusiasm for STEM with us all

Thank you again, we wish you all the best for the rest of 2021 and hope to work with you again soon.



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