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Seven News receives two Walkley Awards for Excellence in Journalism

Seven News and senior correspondent Chris Reason have been recognised with Walkley Awards for Excellence in Journalism for live reporting of the Lindt Café siege.

The *Seven News* team received the Walkley Award for Coverage of a Major News Event or Issue, and Reason earned the Walkley Award for TV/AV News Reporting.

Reason last night accepted the award at the 60th annual gala event at Crown Palladium in Melbourne.

He said it was “difficult and a little confronting” to receive an industry award when it is attached to a moment of such misery.

“But I take this as recognition that we did a hard job well,” said Reason.

“We have been fortunate to receive several awards for our coverage of the siege, and each time we have dedicated them to victims Katrina Dawson and Tori Johnson. I do the same with this award.

“I’d also like to acknowledge the news team behind the award – the chiefs of staff, producers, journalists, and in particular, Greg Parker and the other *Seven News* cameramen who were scattered around Martin Place that same night, without the comfort of being inside a TV studio.”

Now in its 60th year, the Walkley Awards for Excellence in Journalism were presented in 34 categories to recognise and reward excellence in Australian journalism.

This year, The Walkley Advisory Board recognised *Sunday Night* crime producer Debi Marshall with the 2015 Leadership Award.

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