

# 2017

## Apprentice of the Year | **Winner: Thomas Rockwood, Sigmatex**

Celebrating young people demonstrating the potential to contribute greatly to the future of their company and the industry as a whole

### Overview

Tom works within the Maintenance Team at Sigmatex, supporting the mechanical and electrical teams.

Tom's managers nominated him for this award for two reasons.

Firstly, because he's Sigmatex' first higher-level apprentice which they are very proud of as well as of Tom for choosing his apprenticeship with Sigmatex.

Secondly, because Tom's enthusiasm, maturity, commitment and overall hard work deserved to be recognised and rewarded. The company said it was rare to come across an employee like Tom. He is tenacious, thorough, highly dependable and extremely valuable to its business. He is a perfect ambassador for Sigmatex and its apprenticeship programme.

He approaches his studies and his work with the highest level of simply setting out to do the best he can. He has the most wonderful potential and the company sincerely hopes it can help him to fulfil his aspirations. He is an inspiration to the young and the old within the Sigmatex team.



Thomas Rockwood (left) collects the award for Apprentice of the Year.

"Tom is Sigmatex's first Higher Level Apprentice and we're very proud of his achievements to date. Tom's enthusiasm, maturity, commitment and overall hard work is a credit to our business. Tom has a wonderful potential and is an inspiration to both the young and old within our team at Sigmatex and we're really glad that he has been recognised by Composites UK for his achievements."

**Helen Symonds, HR and Health & Safety Manager, Sigmatex**

The Composites UK Industry Awards are presented at the black-tie dinner which is aligned with the Composites Engineering Show in Birmingham.

Keep an eye out for our annual nomination process every May for your chance to apply.

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