

Efrain is a finalist in Wanderlust's Tour Guide Awards and is coming to London for the ceremony!

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Earlier this year it was announced that Efrain, one of our fabulous guides in Peru had made it through to being one of the four finalists in Wanderlust's 2014 Tour Guide Awards.

Since this news was announced back in July we have been working with Efrain to get flights and a visa sorted so that he can attend the awards ceremony on Tuesday 21st October in London. Unfortunately, the visa process has taken a lot longer than we had hoped and we have only just received news of the confirmation on Efrain's visa being granted. It has been quite touch and go as to whether the documents would be approved and arrive in time and hence we didn't want to get too excited too soon but apologies, as this has meant that this confirmation has had to come very late in the day.

However, it has been good news and it's now just the final details to put into place and we are expecting Efrain to arrive in the UK later this weekend to begin celebrations, hurray!

If you would like to join us in celebrating this massive achievement with Efrain at the Wanderlust Awards Ceremony at the Royal Geographical Society, London then there are tickets available through Wanderlust's website. Lizzie will be travelling down for the ceremony and we hope that a number of people who have travelled to Peru with Efrain will be there to catch up and celebrate with him too.

More details about Wanderlust's Tour Guide Awards can be found on this link:

<http://www.wanderlust.co.uk/magazine/awards/wanderlust-travel-awards>

And tickets are available from here: <http://www.etickets.to/buy/?e=11779>

There are also further details from Lynn at Wanderlust about the awards and the event below.

We hope that we may be able to arrange a little more time with Efrain than just the award ceremony itself and will be posting further news on our website and on Facebook and Twitter of where it will be possible to meet up with him as soon as we have further confirmation of his travel plans. If you would like to be informed of his whereabouts and where

to meet up for a celebratory drink and share memories of Peru then do drop Lizzie an email at lizzie@skedaddle.co.uk and we would be happy to keep you updated when we know more.

Thanks again for all of your support... just a little longer to keep fingers crossed until the winner is announced at the ceremony next Tuesday!

Lizzie, Paul and the Skedaddle Team



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World Guide Awards is back...

Join *Wanderlust* and special guests including Bill Bryson for the Wanderlust World Guide Awards 2014

In 1993 Paul Morrison (my late husband) and I founded *Wanderlust* magazine to share our passion for travel. Wherever we went, Paul was a firm believer that having a great tour guide could turn any trip into the experience of a lifetime.

After Paul's death in 2004, I set up the World Guide Awards in his honour. They are the only awards of their kind in the world and provide a long-lasting way of recognising some truly remarkable people. Not only do the winners receive recognition for their contribution to the world of travel, they are also awarded a bursary for use in community projects or for their own personal development.

The awards ceremony is always a moving, entertaining, emotional, humorous and rewarding evening, as we meet the winning guides and find out how previous winners have used their bursaries. Over the years we've seen how the bursaries have launched a solar cooker project in Zambia, funded drinking wells in Mexico and contributed to education and health programmes across the world.

After a record number of entries the judges have whittled the guides down to just four incredible finalists, and we will be raising a glass to their achievements this October.

I would be delighted if you would join me, fellow judges (including Bill Bryson) and the rest of the *Wanderlust* team at the awards ceremony and drinks reception at London's prestigious Royal Geographical Society.

Event details:

Date: 21st October 2014

Location: Royal Geographical Society, London

Time: 6:30pm (doors open) 7:15pm (ceremony starts)

Price: Tickets are £5 per person and include a free drink

Please [click here](#) for more information about the event and tickets



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