

ENTERPRISING GRADUATES TAKE SYDNEY'S COFFEE SCENE BY STORM

Going to Sydney soon? Try some coffee at a leading new coffee house run by three of our alumnae. Sisters Gina, Vicky and Aileen Young (pictured below left to right) have all recently completed their degrees at The University of Auckland (BCom/LLB, BCom/BSc and BCom



(Hons) respectively) and have now combined their skills and corporate experience to start a family business in Sydney called Velluto Nero. Velluto Nero is a coffee bean roastery, retail store, online business and contemporary café set in the heart of Sydney's CBD.

Gina, Vicky and Aileen contacted the Alumni Relations Office to generously offer some giveaway packs of coffee beans and free coffee vouchers for all the guests who attended the Sydney Alumni & Friends reception at the Museum of Contemporary Art in July.

Just seven weeks after launching their brand, they won their first national medal for coffee roasting and within the first six months they won the coveted "Champion Espresso" title and the only Gold Medal awarded for coffee at the prestigious 2008 Sydney Royal Fine Food Show. This was shortly followed by a rating for Velluto Nero from the *Sydney Morning Herald* Good Living's independent review "Sydney's Best Coffee". The Alumni Relations office strongly recommends that if you find yourself in Sydney, you visit the girls at their coffee bean boutique, 259 Clarence Street (between Market and Druiitt Streets in the city) and enjoy a very fine cup of coffee or visit their website at www.vellutonero.com.au.