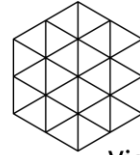




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2017 Victorian Architecture Awards Celebrate Places for People

The Victorian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects is pleased to congratulate the winners of the 2017 Victorian Architecture Awards, announced tonight (Friday 30 June 2017).

Juries noted that 'creating places for people' was evident in all categories, showcasing architects' ability to contribute to both the development of community and the public realm in a variety of positive and innovative ways. According to **Vanessa Bird, Victorian Chapter President**, *this year there is a focus on designing healthy, liveable spaces. Living and working in well-designed buildings influences the way we think and feel; it inspires and uplifts us, promotes wellbeing and health and can bring us together in new ways. The value of good architecture is about creating places for people.*

Of the 223 entries, approximately 35 percent were judged to be worthy of an Award or Commendation. With no single dominant winner taking home multiple awards, entries represented a broad range of practices and scales of work. Winning projects varied from a tiny beach shack and a temporary performance space, through to a multifaceted civic complex and a large research hospital.

Fifty eight Named Awards, Awards, and Commendations were presented across 16 Awards and Prizes categories, representing the best of Victoria's architecture. Each of the projects provides architecture that significantly contributes to its local community — culturally, economically and socially.

Forty houses were entered in this year's Residential New category and the jury welcomed the variation of designs presented. **Tim Jackson, Residential Architecture Houses – New Jury Chair** noted how *encouraging it was to see the exploration of ideas across the range of entries that demonstrated how good design can enrich family life. In making our judgements we recognised the positive role that architects play in challenging our preconceptions about what makes a house both liveable and remarkable.*

This year's winner of the **John George Knight Heritage award**, Albert Park College Environmental Arts Hub by Six Degrees Architecture, exemplifies the value of well-designed buildings as a contributor to stronger communities, and the creation of places for people. This building opens its doors to the local community. The school has positioned itself as a good institutional citizen, and is a shining example of how heritage

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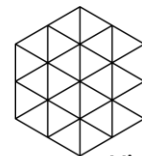


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places can be creatively adapted to take on a new and important role in their communities.

The **2017 Melbourne Prize** for the first time went equally to two projects. Both public projects — Tanderrum Bridge by John Wardle Architects and NADAAA in collaboration and 2016 NGV Architectural Commission by M@ STUDIO Architects — make an evocative and memorable contribution to Melbourne’s cultural and urban landscape. One, the bridge, permanently by the banks of the Yarra River in Birrarung Marr, the other, a stylised car wash, for just six months within the Grollo Equiset Garden at NGV in St Kilda Road.

The strong showing of Health projects within the awards is an acknowledgement by both government and the design profession of the importance of quality design environments in ensuring positive health-related outcomes.

Winner of both the **Victorian Medal and the William Wardell Award for Public Architecture**, the Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre (VCCC), was acknowledged as a handsome new addition to Victoria’s notable public buildings. It has become a magnet for the world’s best cancer researchers and is testament to the skill and imagination of the sthDI + MCR architectural consortium.

The CEO of Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre and VCCC Board Member, Dale Fisher, states that the Centre is “proud and beautiful,” when extolling the elegance of its functional workings, when she states that “there is nothing like this in the world,” and when she informs us that the building itself helps to attract and retain the best of international researchers.

As the Victorian Medal jury noted, in a world where research institutes and cancer hospitals compete to attract the best researchers, the architecture assists in establishing a compelling image for the VCCC. It is an exemplary building which will serve the Victorian community for decades to come.

Whether government-commissioned projects, or homes and private offices, this year’s winning projects put people and communities first.

The following is a full list of 2017 Victorian Architecture Award winners. Named Award and Architecture Award winners go on to compete in the **National Architecture Awards**, to be announced in Canberra in November.

2017 Victorian Architecture Awards – Winner List

Residential Architecture - Houses (New)

HAROLD DESBROWE-ANNEAR AWARD
Rose House | **Baracco+Wright Architects**

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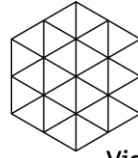


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ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Dark Horse | **Architecture Architecture**
House A | **Andrew Walter**
Seaberg | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**
Fish Creek House | **Edition Office**

COMMENDATIONS

True North | **TANDEM design studio**
South Melbourne Beach House | **Topology Studio**
Twig House | **Leeton Pointon Architects + Interiors and Allison Pye Interiors**

Residential Architecture - Houses (Alterations and Additions)

JOHN AND PHYLLIS MURPHY AWARD

Sorrento House | **Figureground Architecture**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Dorman House | **Austin Maynard Architects**
Perimeter House | **MAKE Architecture**
Shadow Cottage Daylesford | **MRTN Architects**

COMMENDATIONS

Alfred House | **Austin Maynard Architects**
Belmont House | **Kennedy Nolan**

Residential Architecture - Houses (Multiple Housing)

BEST OVEREND AWARD

RMIT Bundoora West Student Accommodation | **Richard Middleton Architects (RMA)**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Assembly Apartments | **Woods Bagot**

COMMENDATION

Albert Street | **DKO Architecture**
Monash University Turner Building Student Accommodation | **Jackson Clements Burrows Architects**

Small Project Architecture

KEVIN BORLAND AWARD

South Melbourne Beach House | **Topology Studio**

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Balnarring Retreat | **Branch Studio Architects**
Casa de Gatos | **WOWOWA Architecture & Interiors**

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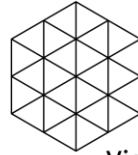
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COMMENDATIONS

2016 NGV ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION: Haven't you always wanted...? | **M@ STUDIO Architects**

Shimmerlands | **Ha - Architecture, Product & Environment with Ben Sibley, Architectural Craftsperson**

Sound Cloud | **Andrew Simpson Architects**

Urban Design

JOSEPH REED AWARD

Frank Bartlett Library and Moe Service Centre | **fjmt**

ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Fitzroy Gardens Redevelopment Project | **City of Melbourne City Design Studio**

COMMENDATIONS

Reservoir Urban Nodes | **Bellemo & Cat**

Upper West Side | **Cottee Parker Architects**

Heritage Architecture

JOHN GEORGE KNIGHT AWARD

Albert Park College Environmental Arts Hub | **Six Degrees Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Hiro-En House | **Matt Gibson Architecture + Design**

Interior Architecture

MARION MAHONY AWARD

Shadow House | **Matt Gibson Architecture + Design, Mim Design**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Slack Melbourne Office | **Breathe Architecture**

The Gipson Commons, St Michael's Grammar School | **Architectus**

COMMENDATIONS

Belmont House | **Kennedy Nolan**

Cox Box Office | **Cox Architecture**

Commercial Architecture

SIR OSBORN MCCUTCHEON AWARD

The Coppel & Piekarski Family Disability Respite Centre | **Jackson Clements Burrows Architects**

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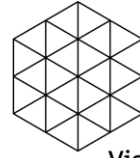


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TarraWarra Cellar Door | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**

COMMENDATION

STREAT Cromwell | **Six Degrees Architects**

Public Architecture

WILLIAM WARDELL AWARD

Victorian Comprehensive Cancer Centre | **sthDI+MCR (Silver Thomas Hanley, DesignInc and McBride Charles Ryan)**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Bunurong Memorial Park | **BVN**

Pomonal Community Hall | **Workshop Architecture**

Brimbank Community and Civic Centre | **Lyons**

COMMENDATION

Frank Bartlett Library and Moe Service Centre | **fjmt**

Educational Architecture

HENRY BASTOW AWARD

Albert Park College Environmental Arts Hub | **Six Degrees Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Arts West, University of Melbourne | **ARM + Architectus**

The Grimwade Centre for Cultural Materials Conservation - The University of Melbourne | **Jackson Clements Burrows Architects**

COMMENDATION

Good Samaritan Primary School - Nazareth (Yr 1 & 2) Learning Village | **Harrison and White**

Sustainable Architecture

ALLAN AND BETH COLDICUTT AWARD

South East Water | **BVN**

ARCHITECTURE AWARD

Birkenstock Australia Headquarters | **Melbourne Design Studios (MDS)**

Fitzroy Gardens Redevelopment Project | **City of Melbourne City Design Studio**

COMMENDATION

Monash University Building 56 Redevelopment | **McGlashan Everist**

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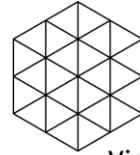


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Enduring Architecture Award

University South Lawn Underground Car Park | **Loder and Bayly in association with Harris, Lange and Associates**

COLORBOND® Award for Steel Architecture

COLORBOND® AWARD
Arts West, University of Melbourne | **ARM Architecture + Architectus**

COMMENDATION
The Grimwade Centre for Cultural Materials Conservation - The University of Melbourne | **Jackson Clements Burrows Architects**

Melbourne Prize – Joint Winner

2016 NGV ARCHITECTURE COMMISSION: Haven't you always wanted...? | **M@ STUDIO Architects**
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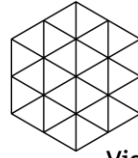


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