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State's best architecture honoured at Victorian Architecture Awards

Victoria's leading architects have been honoured by the 2018 Victorian Architecture Awards, with education and public architecture projects dominating in multiple categories demonstrating their significance to the public realm.

Across 14 categories, a total of 66 awards were given including named awards, architecture awards and commendations from the 108 shortlisted projects. The awards were announced at a dinner hosted in Melbourne by the Victorian Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects on Friday 29 June.

The evening's biggest winner was New Academic Street, RMIT University by Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects, taking home the prestigious Victorian Architecture Medal along with the Joseph Reed Award for Urban Design, The Henry Bastow Award for Educational Architecture, architecture awards for Interior Architecture and Sustainable Architecture and a joint winner of the Melbourne Prize.

The jury for the Urban Design category believe the project is vital in connecting the campus to the city and place an emphasis on the collaboration between architects involved in the project.

"The collaboration of architects involved in this project has been a highly effective way to bring diversity and richness, and to avoid the single author approach that often marks similar projects," comments Jury Chair James Legge.

"Existing buildings from various eras have been excavated and incised to create arcade like connections and internal streets. The effect has been to stitch RMIT into the surrounding city fabric, allowing the public in and creating dynamic and engaging environments for the students and staff. The project provides a critical piece of urban design for this area of the city," he continues.

Other big winners include Nightingale 1 by Breathe Architecture, Victorian College of the Arts former Mounted Police Stables by Kerstin Thompson Architects and Koondrook Wharf by TERROIR, all obtaining recognition across three categories.



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Victorian Chapter President Amy Muir says Victoria is lucky to be home to such a diverse range of high quality architecture and is pleased to honour projects that show the best in the state.

“We are celebrating the significant contribution that architecture brings to the everyday lives of people and to the evolution of our cities and townships throughout Victoria. The awards also acknowledges the strong collaboration between clients and architects required to deliver carefully considered and robust buildings and public realm interventions. The projects included in the awards program define a broad and rich example of architecture within our state. It is wonderful to see these projects recognised and I extend my congratulations to all of our very deserving winners,” she says.

“Victorian’s understand the value of good design and the enormous benefits it brings to building engaged and resilient communities. The award winning architects are not prepared to accept the status quo and have worked incredibly hard to deliver outstanding contributions to our state’s architecture and infrastructure landscape.” she continues.

The Enduring Architecture Award, recognising structures over 25 years old that remain important in a contemporary context, was given to the Yarra Footbridge at Southbank, which ties into this year’s theme of the public realm.

Projects that received an architecture award or a named award will now progress to compete in the National Architecture Awards program. The shortlist will be announced by the Australian Institute of Architects in the coming months.

The full list of winners can be found below.



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Residential Architecture – Houses (New)

27 entries / 16 shortlisted projects / 3 commendations / 3 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE HAROLD DESBROWE-ANNEAR AWARD FOR RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE – HOUSES (NEW)

Compound House | **March Studio**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Park House | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**

House on the Coast | **Sean Godsell Architects**

Towers Road House | **Wood Marsh Architecture**

COMMENDATIONS

Moonah Home | **Bellemo & Cat**

Humble House | **Coy Yiontis Architects**

Triangle House | **Molecule Studio**

Residential Architecture - New Jury

Robert McBride | McBride Charles Ryan (Chair)

Adriana Hanna | Kennedy Nolan

Scott Woodward | WOWOWA Architects

Residential Architecture – Multiple Housing

25 entries / 9 shortlisted projects / 2 commendations / 4 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE BEST OVEREND AWARD FOR RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE - MULTIPLE HOUSING

Nightingale 1 | **Breathe Architecture**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

35 Spring Street | **Bates Smart**

Campbell Street | **DKO Architecture and SLAB**

Averi | **Jackson Clements Burrows**

C.F. Row | **Woods Bagot**

COMMENDATIONS

Parkville Townhouses | **Fieldwork**

Elwood House | **Woods Bagot**

Residential - Multiple Housing Jury

Ann Lau | Hayball (Chair)

Mark Austin | Austin Maynard Architects

Neil de la Coeur | Bird de la Coeur Architects



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Residential Architecture – Houses (Alterations & Additions)

50 entries / 11 shortlisted projects / 2 commendations / 4 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE JOHN AND PHYLLIS MURPHY AWARD FOR RESIDENTIAL ARCHITECTURE – HOUSES (ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS)

King Bill | **Austin Maynard Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Hatherlie | **Andrew Simpson Architects**

The Kite | **Architecture Architecture**

Boneo Country House | **John Wardle Architects**

Station Street House | **Robert Simeoni Architects**

COMMENDATIONS

Dark Light House | **MRTN Architects**

Old Be-al | **FMD Architects pty ltd**

Residential Architecture - Alterations & Additions Jury

Graham Burrows | Jackson Clements Burrows (Chair)

Matt Rawlins | Figureground Architecture

Kristin Green | KGA

Small Project Architecture

30 entries / 8 shortlisted projects / 2 commendations / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE KEVIN BORLAND AWARD FOR SMALL PROJECT ARCHITECTURE

Sorrento Visitor Centre | **Workshop Architecture**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Campbell Street | **DKO Architecture and SLAB**

Koondrook Wharf | **TERROIR**

COMMENDATIONS

Garden Wall (NGV Architecture Commission) | **Retallack Thompson and Other Architects**

Elgin Street Residence | **Sonelo Design Studio**

Small Project Architecture Jury

Juliet Moore | Edwards Moore (Chair)

Gumji Kang | NH Architecture

Ben Tole | ARM Architecture



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Urban Design

14 entries / 5 shortlisted projects / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE JOSEPH REED AWARD FOR URBAN DESIGN

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Koondrook Wharf | **TERROIR**

Deakin Link | **watsonarchitecture+design**

Urban Design Jury:

James Legge | Six Degrees Architects (Chair)

Emily Kilvington | NH Architecture

Tim Pyke | Baldasso Cortese

Heritage Architecture

14 entries / 8 shortlisted projects / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE JOHN GEORGE KNIGHT AWARD FOR HERITAGE

North Melbourne Terrace | **Matt Gibson Architecture + Design**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

St Vincents Place Residence | **B.E Architecture**

Victorian College of the Arts former Mounted Police Stables | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**

Heritage Architecture Jury

Tim O'Sullivan | Multiplicity (Chair)

Sarah Bryant | Bryant Alsop Architects

Steffen Welsch | Steffen Welsch Architects

Commercial Architecture

17 entries / 5 shortlisted projects / 1 commendation / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE SIR OSBORN MCCUTCHEON AWARD FOR COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURE

Barwon Water | **GHDWoodhead**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Jackalope | **Carr**

Mercedes Me | **Jackson Clements Burrows**

COMMENDATION

GMHBA Stadium | **Populous**

Commercial Architecture Jury

Reno Rizzo | Inarc Architects (Chair)

Justin Noxon | Noxon Architecture

Emily Chalk | Kosloff Architecture



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Interior Architecture

58 entries / 12 shortlisted projects / 4 commendations / 4 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE MARION MAHONY AWARD FOR INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE
Our Lady of Good Counsel Church Deepdene | **Law Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Boneo Country House | **John Wardle Architects**

Monash University Learning and Teaching Building | **John Wardle Architects**

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, MvS Architecture, Harrison & White and Maddison Architects**

Station Street House | **Robert Simeoni Architects**

COMMENDATIONS

Henry Street House | **Eugene Cheah Architecture**

Victorian College of the Arts former Mounted Police Stables | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**

Armadale Residence | **Rob Mills Architecture & Interiors**

Space & Time | **Russell & George**

Interior Architecture Jury

Maria Danos | Maria Danos Architecture (Chair)

Bianca Hung | Hayball

Nicholas Braun | Sibling Architecture

Public Architecture

11 entries / 4 shortlisted projects / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE WILLIAM WARDELL AWARD FOR PUBLIC ARCHITECTURE

Bunjil Place | **fjmt**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Bendigo Hospital | **Silver Thomas Hanley with Bates Smart**

North Fitzroy Library and Community Hub | **GroupGSA**

Public Architecture Jury

Jane Williams | John Wardle Architects (Chair)

Suzannah Waldron | Searle x Waldron Architecture

Christon Batey-Smith | DesignInc



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Educational Architecture

21 entries / 13 shortlisted projects / 1 commendation / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE HENRY BASTOW AWARD FOR EDUCATIONAL ARCHITECTURE

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

The Geoff Handbury Science and Technology Hub, Melbourne Grammar School | **Denton Corker Marshall**

Monash University Learning and Teaching Building | **John Wardle Architects**

Victorian College of the Arts former Mounted Police Stables | **Kerstin Thompson Architects**

COMMENDATION

18 Innovation Walk Revitalisation Project | **Kosloff Architecture + Callum Morton + MAP (Monash Art Projects)**

Educational Architecture Jury

Jesse Judd | ARM Architecture (Chair)

Ben Milbourne | NAAU

Catherine Duggan | Peter Elliott Architecture + Urban Design

Sustainable Architecture

6 shortlisted projects / 1 commendation / 2 architecture awards / 1 named award

THE ALLAN AND BETH COLDICUTT AWARD FOR SUSTAINABLE ARCHITECTURE

Nightingale 1 | **Breathe Architecture**

ARCHITECTURE AWARDS

Barwon Water | **GHDWoodhead**

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects**

COMMENDATION

North Fitzroy Library and Community Hub | **GroupGSA**

Sustainable Architecture Jury

James Staughton | Workshop Architecture (Chair)

Alix Smith | HASSELL

Jose Alfano FRAIA | Studio Alfano

Regional Prize

3 shortlisted projects

Koondrook Wharf | **TERROIR**

Regional Prize Jury

Emma Jackson | RMIT (Chair)

Nick Bourns | Lyons

Emily Watson | MAKE Architecture



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COLORBOND® Award for Steel Architecture

4 shortlisted projects / 1 commendation / 1 named award

COLORBOND® AWARD FOR STEEL ARCHITECTURE (VIC)

Bugiga Hiker Camp - Grampians National Park | **Sean Godsell Architects**

COMMENDATION

Unfolding House | **Sibling Architecture**

COLORBOND® Award Jury

Alison Nunn | Alison Nunn Architects (Chair)

Michael Bouteloup | Bourke and Bouteloup Architects

Luca Vezzosi | John Wardle Architects

Melbourne Prize – Joint Winner

4 shortlisted projects

Nightingale 1 | **Breathe Architecture**

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects**

Melbourne Prize Jury

Shelley Penn | Shelley Penn Architect (Chair)

Simon Knott | BKK Architects

Tania Davidge | OpenHAUS

Enduring Architecture Award

Yarra Footbridge at Southbank | **Cocks Carmichael Whitford**

Victorian Architecture Medal

New Academic Street, RMIT University | **Lyons with NMBW Architecture Studio, Harrison and White, MvS Architects and Maddison Architects**

Notes to editors:

The media gallery with images of all award-winning projects can be accessed via <https://nationalarchitecture.awardsplatform.com/register/BqolZOjp>. Please note that you will need to register to obtain the pictures and information.

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