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Regional innovation a highlight at Queensland Architecture Awards

The winners of the Australian Institute of Architects' Queensland State Architecture Awards have been announced at the annual Awards night on Friday 8 June.

Following an extensive Regional Architecture Awards program, 174 entries have been judged with 78 unique projects shortlisted for the state honours, some in multiple categories.

The highlight from this year's judging was the exceptional quality of innovative projects emerging in Queensland's regional communities. The quality of work from regional Queensland has shown a commitment to human centred design but also a focus on sustainable architecture that is responsive to the unique and varied climates that exist across Queensland.

The Blackwater Aquatic Centre by Liquid Blu Architects was a standout project, being awarded the highest honour, the FDG Stanley Award for Public Architecture. The aquatic centre has been integrated into an established sporting precinct that supports regional sporting groups and events.

'Providing a small mining community with a cool place of respite and aquatic activities for all ages, the bulwark-like outer layer of rammed earth walls wrap themselves around three elevations affording refuge from the harsh environment.

'The building makes a positive contribution to this community, with the architecture responding sensitively to the climate and its rural context. It is seen as a generous public asset, a welcome refuge and oasis within an otherwise remote and harsh setting,' the jury noted.

The residential new build category was fiercely contested with the top honour, the Robin Dods Award for Residential Architecture - Houses (New) going to Stradbroke House by Tim Bennetton Architects with Gabriel Poole.

'This lightweight house in the island bush offers a friendly welcome to spaces of holiday delight. Arrival is via the beach, shoes removed on to an uncovered deck. The house appears as a series of tent structures floating above the land. Indoor and outdoor spaces flow seamlessly into each other embracing the natural surrounding landscape physically and visually,' the jury noted.



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'There is an inventive wittiness and lyrical delight that brings a sense of joy to the visitor. A magical camping experience infuses this deceptively simple but sophisticated beach house.'

The Elina Mottram Award for Residential Architecture – Houses (Alterations and Additions) was awarded to Gibbon St by Cavill Architects.

'The journey from the front door to the roof terrace has pockets of space along the way, a sunken lounge with a close garden view and a floating sitting room overlooking the back yard. This journey concludes at the rooftop, which feels like a secret hide out to a sweeping view. All of these crafted small spaces contribute to a memorable architectural experience,' the jury said.

Queensland Chapter President, Paul Trotter congratulated winners and entrants for continuing to innovate and create projects that make a positive impact for those who work, live and play within them.

'Architecture has the unique ability to impact upon people's lives and create a legacy for future generations, this year's award winners can all be proud of that achievement,' Trotter said.

Projects that received a Named Award or Award are now in the running for the National Architecture Awards to be announced in November.

Full list of winners:

Commercial Architecture

Beatrice Hutton Award – The Stores, *Cavill Architects in Association with Jasper Brown Architects*
Award – Robina Market Hall Redevelopment, *The Buchan Group*
Commendation – 88 Limestone, *Gibson Architects*

Educational Architecture

Jennifer Taylor Award – The Science Place *HASSELL*
Award – The Centenary Library, Anglican Church Grammar School, *Brand + Slater Architects Pty Ltd*
Award - The Springfield Anglican College - Year 1 Classrooms, *Architecture Kōen*
Commendation – Griffith University Aquatic Centre, *Conrad Gargett*
Commendation - JK Murray Library Extension & Refurbishment, *dwp | design worldwide partnership*

Enduring Architecture

Robin Gibson Award – Townsville Courts of Law - Edmund Sheppard Building
Hall, Phillips & Wilson Architects Pty Ltd

Heritage



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Commendation – 259 Queen Street Main Lobby Refurbishment, *Cox Architecture + Ruth Woods Architect*

Interior Architecture

GHM Addison Award – Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre, *BVN*

Award – Headricks Lane, *SP Studio*

Award – Marchetti & Optiko, *Cameron & Co*

Commendation – 1 William Street, *Woods Bagot*

Commendation – NAB Place, *Woods Bagot*

Public Architecture

FDG Stanley Award - Blackwater Aquatic Centre, *Liquid Blu Architects*

Award – Curra Community Hall, *Bark Design Architects*

Award – les wilson barramundi discovery centre, *bud brannigan architects*

Commendation: Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre, *BVN*

Commendation: Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve, *Guymer Bailey Architects*

Residential Architecture – Houses (Alterations and Additions)

Elina Mottram Award – Gibbon St, *Cavill Architects*

Award – Camp Hill Cottage, *Owen Architecture*

Award – One Room Tower, *phorm architecture + design with Silvia Micheli & Antony Moulis*

Award – Yeronga House, *Tim Bennetton Architects*

Commendation – Milton Residence, *m3architecture*

Commendation – Yarrawonga, *Counterpoint Architecture*

Residential Architecture – Houses (New)

Robin Dods Award – Stradbroke House, *Tim Bennetton Architects with Gabriel Poole*

Award – Carpenter-Hall House, *Russell Hall Architects P/L*

Award – Tarragindi Steel House, *Bligh Graham Architects*

Award – V House, *Shaun Lockyer Architects*

Commendation – Avonlea, *Robinson Architects*

Commendation – tinbeerwah house, *teeland architects*

Residential Architecture – Multiple Housing

Job & Froud Award – M3565 Main Beach, *Virginia Kerridge Architect*

Award – Abian, *Wood Marsh Architecture with Sunland Group*

Award – Oxley + Stirling, *Elenberg Fraser*

Award – Spire Residences, *John Wardle Architects*

Commendation - Kailani Beach Houses, *Andrew Bock Architecture*



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Small Project Architecture

Hayes & Scott Award – Northshore Pavilion, *Anna O’Gorman Architect*

Award – Ryan Street Library, *Jonathan Goh Architect*

Commendation – Dinosaur Canyon Outpost, *Cox Architecture*

Commendation – UQ Architecture School Entry, *m3architecture*

Sustainable Architecture

Harry Marks Award – Mary Cairncross Scenic Reserve, *Guymer Bailey Architects*

Award – Blackwater Aquatic Centre, *Liquid Blu Architects*

Award – The Science Place, *HASSELL*

Commendation - Yeronga House, *Tim Bennetton Architects*

Urban Design

Karl Langer Award – Parklands, *AAA - Arkhefield, ARM and Archipelago Architects*

Award – Beerwah Tower Green, *Bark Design Architects*

Commendation – Centenary Lakes Nature Play, *PAWA Architecture + LandPlan*

Commendation - The Link, *Lat27*

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Award – Gold Coast Sports Precinct, *BVN*

Art & Architecture

The Australian Institute of Architects Art & Architecture Prize (Qld) – Corps a’ Corps at the IMA Courtyard, *Artist: Celine Condorelli, Architect: Dirk Yates (Speculative Architecture), Landscape Designer: Pete Shields*

NOTES TO EDITOR:

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