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Dear Members, Colleagues, and Readers,

It is with great pride that I present to you the 2024 edition of Winning Design, showcasing the exceptional projects and accomplishments of our BDAA members. This magazine celebrates the outstanding designs that have earned awards or commendations this year, representing the best in modern Australian building design.

As you explore these pages, you'll see not only the beauty and creativity of each project but also the integration of sustainability and innovation, core values that drive our community forward.

To our award winners, your achievements are a testament to the power of creativity, skill, and dedication. To all our readers and members, your ongoing passion is what makes the BDAA a thriving and dynamic force in the industry.

Enjoy this year's Winning Designs, and may they inspire your own work as much as they have inspired us.

Warm regards

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Darren Evans

National President

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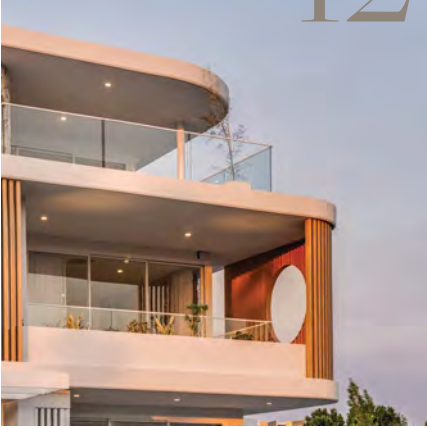
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Winners

BDAA National Design Awards 2024

The Building Designers Association of Australia (BDAA) proudly presents the winners of the 2024 National Design Awards, a prestigious celebration of creativity, innovation, and excellence in Australian Building Design.

This year's winners represent the pinnacle achievement, showcasing projects where bold ideas converge with sustainability, and timeless design harmonises with cutting-edge technology. These designers have demonstrated unparalleled vision and expertise, setting new benchmarks for what is possible in Australian design.

Each winning project reflects the unique ability of design to shape and elevate the human experience. Whether it's a home that seamlessly integrates with its natural surroundings or a commercial space that reimagines the future of work, the projects showcased here are not only visually captivating but deeply purposeful. They emphasise innovation in material selection, energy efficiency, and functionality, while maintaining an aesthetic appeal that enhances both form and function.

Beyond their aesthetic brilliance, these projects are distinguished by their commitment to sustainability. The integration of environmentally responsible materials, energy-efficient solutions, and future-proofing strategies positions them as leaders in the field. Our winners have not only embraced the challenge of designing for today but have also taken steps to ensure that their designs meet the needs of future generations, contributing to a more sustainable built environment.

We commend our 2024 winners for their outstanding achievements. Their work exemplifies the highest standards of creativity, craftsmanship, and forward-thinking design, and serves as a source of inspiration for the entire industry. Each project is a testament to the talent and dedication that make Australian design a global force, and we are proud to honor their contributions to the future of the built environment.





WINNER

- ★ Overall Winner
- ★ National Design Excellence Award
- ★ Multi - Residential Buildings (up to 3 storeys)



CAYMAN

Designer: Stuart Osman

Practice: Stuart Osman Building Designs

Web: stuartosman.com.au

DESIGN

This project, the recipient of the National Design Excellence Award for Project of the Year, exemplifies outstanding design and masterful use of space. By optimising the block, it accommodates two sophisticated freestanding villas across three levels, capturing the essence of luxurious living. The design features spacious ground floor living areas that seamlessly flow into private pool courtyards, creating tranquil, private retreats. The expansive rooftop entertaining areas, offering breathtaking skyline views, further elevate the living experience. These homes are a remarkable blend of elegance, space, and comfort, embodying the pinnacle of high-end residential design. A truly deserved award winner.



WINNER

Overall Winner

Cayman, Designer: Stuart Osman











WINNER

New Residential Buildings (up to \$600,000)



ALEXANDER STREET RESIDENCE

Designer: Nick Brandsema

Practice: nplusb design

Web: nplusb.com.au

Photographer: Graham King



DESIGN

This project expertly fulfills the brief to create a modern coastal display home that exceeds the clients expectation. Despite the challenges of a narrow site, the design cleverly maximises the available building envelope. The home showcases a harmonious blend of claddings, modern features, and high-quality finishes, all while prioritising solar access for the living areas and bedrooms. This thoughtful and innovative design is a standout example of how to successfully navigate site constraints while delivering a stylish and functional coastal retreat.





WINNER

New Residential Buildings (\$601,000 to \$999,000)



KIAMA COURTYARD BEACH HOUSE

Designer: Helen Lloyd-Martin

Practice: 3D Environment

Web: 3de.com.au





DESIGN

This home, composed of three interconnected gabled pavilions, masterfully blends traditional seaside cottage inspiration with modern living. The design offers a variety of indoor and outdoor spaces that thoughtfully respond to the changing seasons. The entry courtyard, engaging with the street and enhanced by landscaping, sets the tone for a welcoming and connected living experience. Emphasising space, light, comfort, and ease of aging in place, the design prioritises orientation, ventilation, and a strong connection to the outdoors. The series of courtyards provide flexibility, allowing for both privacy and integration as the needs of the family evolve, making this home a truly adaptable and inviting retreat.





WINNER

New Residential Buildings (\$1.0m to \$1.5m)



BLISS

Designer: Michael Ross

Practice: Michael and Ruysch Building Design

Web: michaelandruysch.com.au

Photographer: Mitchell Guy Photography





DESIGN

The design skilfully manages site conditions with an efficient L-shaped layout, maximizing space and functionality. The vertical louvers effectively address western sun incidence, enhancing thermal comfort, privacy, and aesthetic appeal. The dynamic interplay of light and shadow adds to the façade's charm. Key highlight: the courtyard façade composition, which creates a harmonious and inviting focal point. This area enhances visual appeal, promotes natural ventilation, and improves daylighting, contributing to the building's sustainability.





WINNER

New Residential Buildings (\$1.51m to \$1.99m)



MODERN FARMHOUSE

Designer: Graeme Bakker

Practice: Bakker Design

Web: bakkerdesign.com.au





DESIGN

This project is an architectural marvel, meticulously designed to harmonise with its expansive 10,000m² land block. The clever alignment of living spaces towards the north optimises natural light and warmth, creating a comfortable and inviting atmosphere throughout the day. The home features a theatre, a spacious open-plan kitchen, dining, and living area with raked ceilings, and large windows that beautifully capture the north-facing aspect. A wine cellar adds an element of luxury, while the versatile pool house, which can double as a gym or sports room, includes a compact kitchen, bedroom, and bathroom. This project is a standout example of thoughtful design and functional elegance.





WINNER

New Residential Buildings (\$2.0m to \$2.99m)



CHAPEL HILL RESIDENCE

Designer: Hugo Grozdanovic

Practice: Hugo Design





DESIGN

The Chapel Hill Residence beautifully combines old-world charm with classic elegance. Its warm colour palette, natural stone, ornate mouldings, fireplaces, and wide timber flooring evoke the timeless appeal of Old English Country Houses. Every detail, from the grand staircase to the high ceilings, has been thoughtfully considered.





WINNER

New Residential Buildings
(over \$3.0m)



HAI LANG RESIDENCE

Designer: Jason Harb

Practice: JIH Building Design

Photographer: Prue Ruscoe

DESIGN

This is a truly remarkable project, distinguished by its unorthodox forms that set it apart from conventional aesthetics. Drawing inspiration from both European and Asian architectural traditions, the design features a continuous roofline and balcony edge that create a sense of fluidity, guiding the eye gracefully across the façade.

This design exemplifies the essence of good architecture by creating a physical environment that resonates deeply with the occupants, reinforcing their cultural and emotional values. It stands as a testament to the power of architecture to embody and celebrate the unique identities of those it serves.







WINNER

New Residential Buildings (over \$3.0m)
Hai Lang Residence, Designer: Jason Harb







WINNER

Residential Alterations / Additions (up to \$500,000)



MYOCUM MAGIC

Designer: Brently Reid

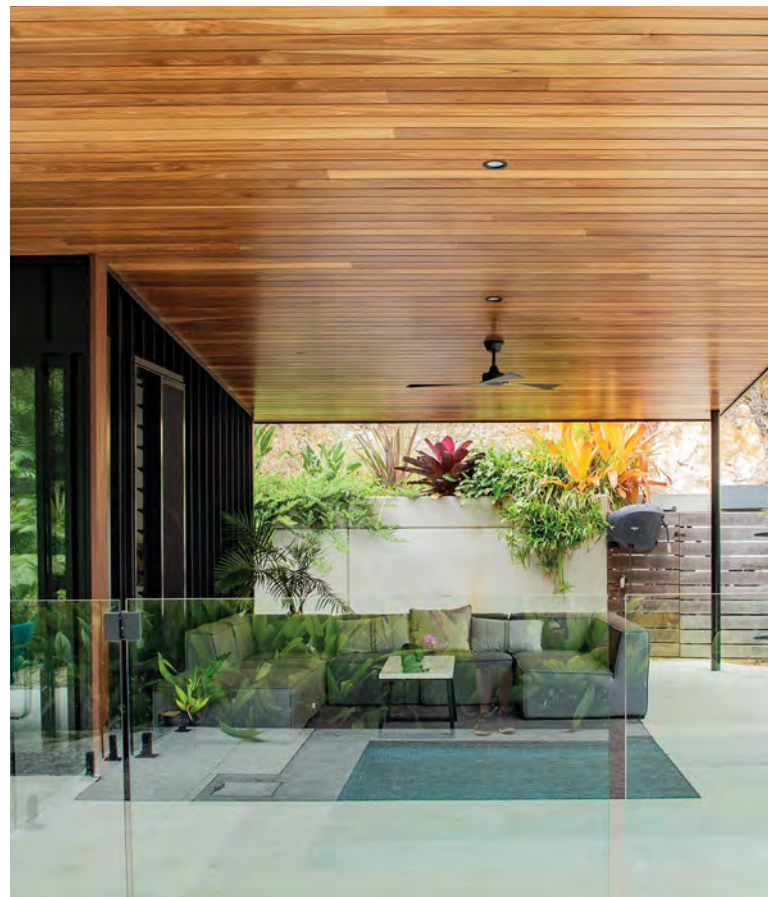
Photographer: Hamish McCormick





DESIGN

This stunning addition to the original home brilliantly maximises indoor-outdoor living, creating a seamless flow between spaces. By incorporating passive solar design principles and multiple direct-to-nature connections, the house effortlessly merges with its sub-tropical setting, offering a harmonious and enjoyable experience. It is a beautifully executed design that enhances both the functionality and aesthetic of the home.





WINNER

Residential Alterations / Additions (up to \$500,000)

Myocum Magic, Designer: Brently Reid







WINNER

Residential Alterations / Additions (\$501,000 to \$999,00)

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TWIN PEAKS

Designer: Andrew Brown

Photographer: Dana Beligan Photography





DESIGN

This project is a stunning design solution that perfectly addresses the brief while offering excellent value. Though this bungalow may have waited for its moment in the sun, the dedication and care demonstrated in both the design and execution by the builder have made the result well worth the wait. It is a truly impressive achievement and a testament to thoughtful craftsmanship. A great project!





WINNER

Residential Alterations / Additions (over \$1M)





L'ARC MAISON

Designer: Jake French

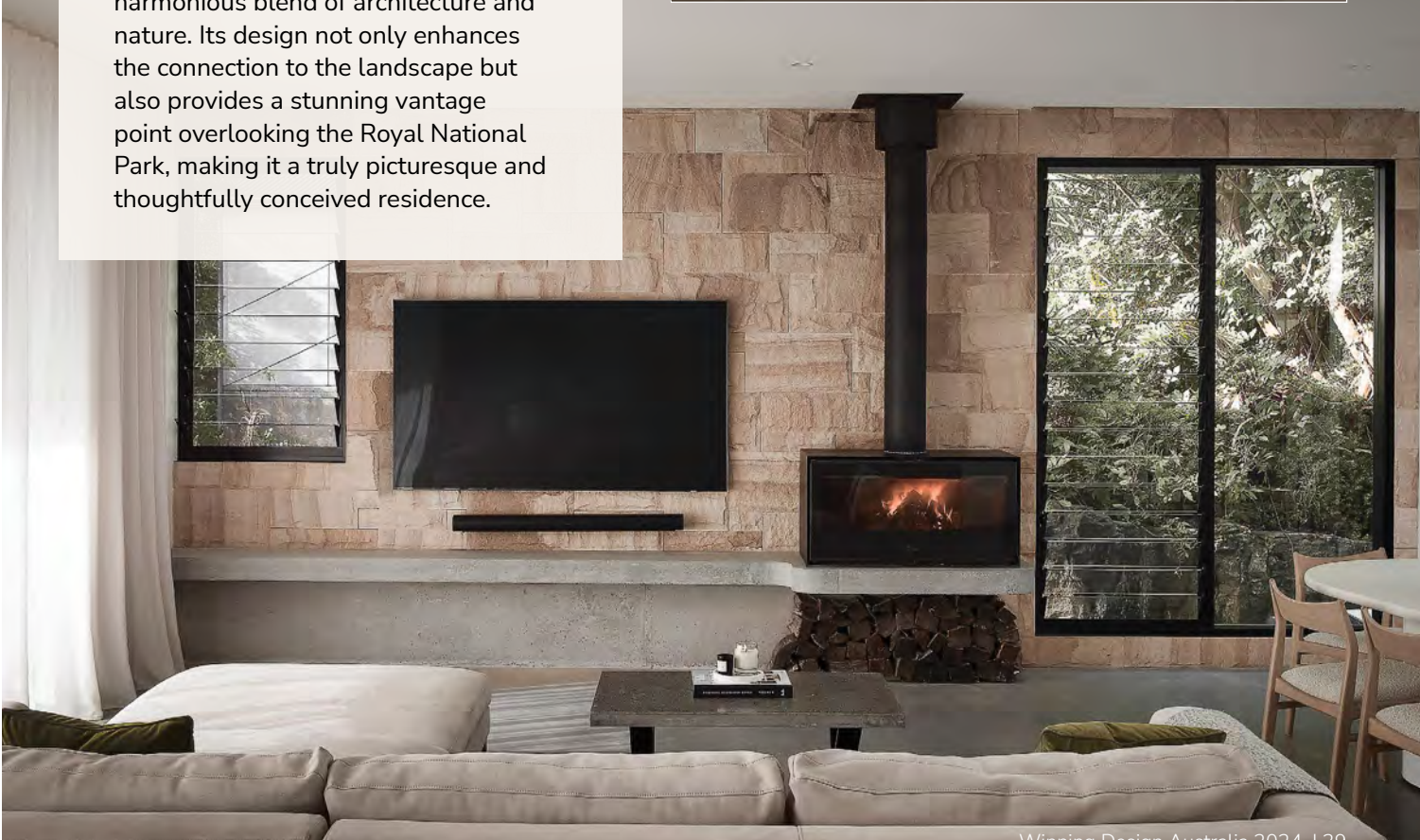
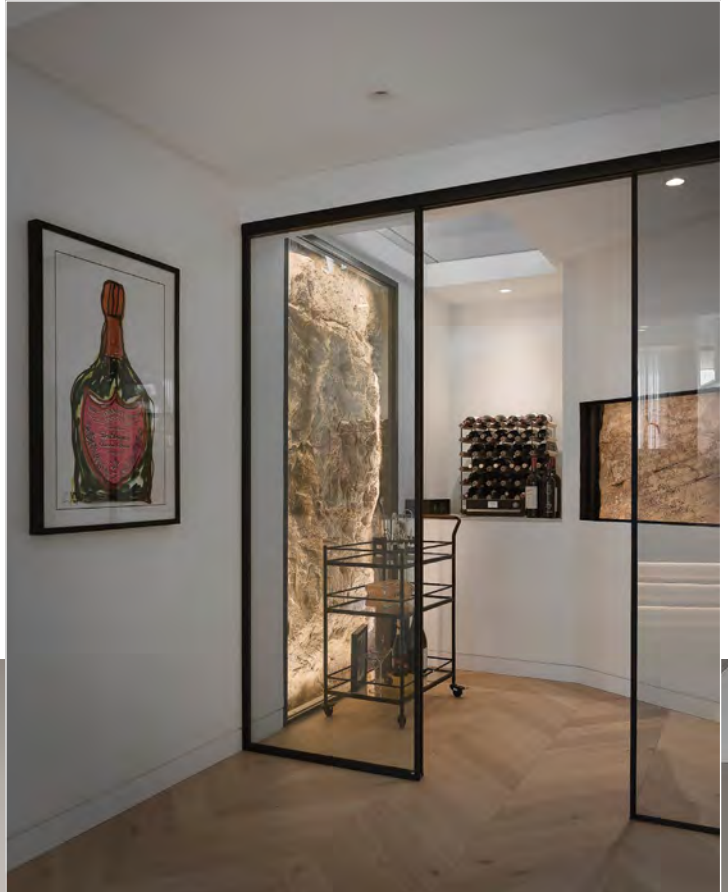
Practice: Shire Building Design Pty Ltd

Web: shirebd.com.au

Photographer: Luke Butterly

DESIGN

L'Arc Maison is a testament to meticulous design and planning, beautifully inspired by the surrounding landscape and the unique features of the existing house and site. The home seamlessly integrates with the natural environment, offering a harmonious blend of architecture and nature. Its design not only enhances the connection to the landscape but also provides a stunning vantage point overlooking the Royal National Park, making it a truly picturesque and thoughtfully conceived residence.





WINNER

Multi - Residential Buildings (over 3 storeys)



DESIGN

This is an excellent design solution for a very small lot, showcasing a thoughtful use of space. The screening is highly effective, ensuring privacy while allowing abundant natural light to fill the interiors. The interior spaces are lovely, with a warm and inviting atmosphere, and the external materials have been chosen and applied with great care, enhancing the overall aesthetic. This project is a testament to the power of smart design in creating a beautiful and functional living environment, even on a constrained site.



DUDLEY

Designer: Michael Tomlinson

Practice: Mi Design Studio Pty Ltd

Web: midesignstudio.com.au





WINNER

Small Lot Housing (max. lot 350 sqm)



ITTY BITTY HOUSE

Designer: Sky Tiong

Practice: Sky Architect Studio Pty Ltd

Web: skyarchitectstudio.com.au

Photographer: Chris Murray





DESIGN

The property stands out in height and aesthetic quality in between two cottages. Pity more of the facade was not kept to at least be sympathetic to the streetscape. Good cross ventilation, water-garden systems, energy saving state of the art appliances (induction stoves) earn good points for sustainability.





WINNER

Chris Reardon Memorial Award for Sustainable Buildings
In honour of Chris Reardon



EARTH ONE

Designer: Martin Freney

Photographer: Peter Hughes





DESIGN

The Earthship Eco Home is a remarkable achievement that redefines sustainability in residential design. By incorporating exposed electrical and plumbing services along with visible upcycled materials, this home serves as an educational model for sustainable living. Martin's commitment to eco-friendly design is evident throughout this project, which not only meets high environmental standards but also inspires others by demonstrating that sustainable living is both practical and attainable. This project stands out as a beacon for future developments in sustainable architecture.





WINNER

Public Buildings / Structures



SIBLINGS EARLY LEARNING

Designer: Cam Raymond

Practice: Raymond Design

Photographer: Nira Creative





DESIGN

Thoughtfully designed to serve as a home away from home, providing a safe and nurturing environment where children can thrive. The design lays a strong foundation, from the welcoming front door to the secure back fence, creating spaces where children can interact with their surroundings, entertain themselves, and prepare for the next steps in their learning journey. The emphasis on play is beautifully integrated into the design, fostering an environment that supports individuality and allows each child to flourish and develop at their own pace. This project is a testament to the power of design in shaping a positive and enriching early learning experience.





WINNER

Heritage Buildings / Adaptive Re-use



ART HOUSE

Designer: Joel Etherington

Practice: DeBu studios

Photographer: Adam Willis from creative co





DESIGN

Loved this house. The preservation of the street facade, the use of curved elements and fixtures to acknowledge its design. The delineation between the old and new and the dark contrast of the new timber slatted addition at the rear is clever. It is sleek but would have benefitted more softening by a green landscape design.





WINNER

Secondary Dwellings / Granny Flats



FORDS ROAD

Designer: Alejandro Urena Sandoval

Practice: Alex Urena Design Studio Pty Ltd

Web: alexurena.net

Photographer: Shaw Photography





DESIGN

The designer expertly navigated the challenges of a restricted and compact area, using innovative design elements to enhance the perception of space and strengthen the connection with the surrounding environment. His ability to turn site constraints into design strengths is evident in the seamless flow of space and the thoughtful integration of natural light.





WINNER

Liveable Housing Design
In honour of Neil Jackson



BOWEN SDA

Designer: Brenden Creed

Practice: BRD Group

Web: brdg.com.au





DESIGN

This fit-for-purpose SDA development, comprising four individual villa-style units and a support carer unit, is an outstanding example of thoughtful design tailored to the "High Physical Support" classification within the NDIS. The successful execution of this project not only ensures that it meets the specific needs of its occupants but also contributes positively to addressing the current housing affordability and supply issues in the market. This development stands as a model of how inclusive and practical design can make a meaningful impact.





WINNER

Industrial Buildings



GP FACTORY

Designer: Aleksandar Sasa Nikolic

Practice: ExedraStudio Pty Ltd

Web: exedrastudio.com.au

Photographer: Desire Media





DESIGN

This design expertly blends functionality with visual appeal. The ample natural light, high ceilings, and premium finishes create an inviting space. The thoughtful inclusion of indoor and outdoor parking, car lifts, and accommodations for low racing cars ensures seamless accessibility. The positioning of the caretaker's residence widens the frontage, maintaining a balanced look.

Each unit features polished concrete floors, high-clearance mezzanines, glass balustrades, and matte black fixtures, all enhanced by a vibrant façade that contrasts beautifully with the industrial setting. This project stands out for its thoughtful design and distinctive flair, making it a true achievement.





WINNER

Commercial Buildings



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE AVIATION CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Designer: Kirk Gleeson

Practice: Barnson Pty Ltd

Web: barnson.com.au

Photographer: Hannah Hodgkinson Photography





DESIGN

This facility is a remarkable achievement in addressing the rigorous demands of aerial firefighting training. With its advanced simulators for helicopter, fixed-wing, and winching operations, and the integration of cutting-edge virtual reality technology, it provides hyper-realistic training scenarios that effectively prepare personnel for real-world challenges. The two-storey structure, featuring training rooms, auditoriums, and comprehensive lodging, offers a fully equipped environment for skill development. Barnson's expertise in design, engineering, and project management has been instrumental in creating a facility that significantly enhances the readiness and capabilities of RFS aviation personnel and partner agencies.





WINNER

Dual Occupancy



HEYDON 5

Designer: Elie Sleiman

Practice: ES Design

Web: es.com.au

Photographer: Simon Whitbread





DESIGN

The winning design is a truly remarkable achievement, both in its internal and external form. The use of face bricks and arches creates a distinct and unique aesthetic, blending tradition with innovation. The thoughtfully landscaped surroundings, featuring elevated gardens on the front façade, enhance the overall appeal, making the structure appear open and inviting despite its dual-purpose use. This design is not only functional but also deeply inspiring, setting a new standard for architectural excellence.





WINNER

Open Project (up to \$100,000)



DESIGN

This backyard retreat, is a true oasis of tranquillity. Featuring a private deck, a bathing garden with a fire pit, and a food forest, this space is a delight to experience. It embodies the principles of wabi-sabi, creating a nature-connected sanctuary within a suburban backyard. This retreat serves as both a serene getaway and a versatile, multi-purpose extension of the family home; a breathing space that invites rest, relaxation, and reconnection with nature.



BACKYARD RETREAT

Designer: Brently Reid





WINNER

Open Project (up to \$100,000)

Brently Reid, Designer: Backyard Retreat







WINNER

Landscape Design



RUSTLE & BUSTLE

Designer: Brian Heavin

Practice: BOX Design Studio

Web: boxdesignstudio.com.au





DESIGN

This project seamlessly blends nature with architecture. The vertical green wall panels and Virginia Creeper add vibrant touches to the exterior, while the custom corten waterfall with fish sculptures serves as a striking focal point. The design enhances indoor connectivity with the landscaped outdoor areas, creating a harmonious flow. The rear courtyard is both a beautifully landscaped entertaining area and a discreet car parking space, with gardens softening the masonry walls, making it a standout feature.





WINNER

Residential Interiors

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BISHOPSBOURNE HOUSE

Designer: Frank Geskus

Practice: Prime Design

Web: primedesigntas.com.au

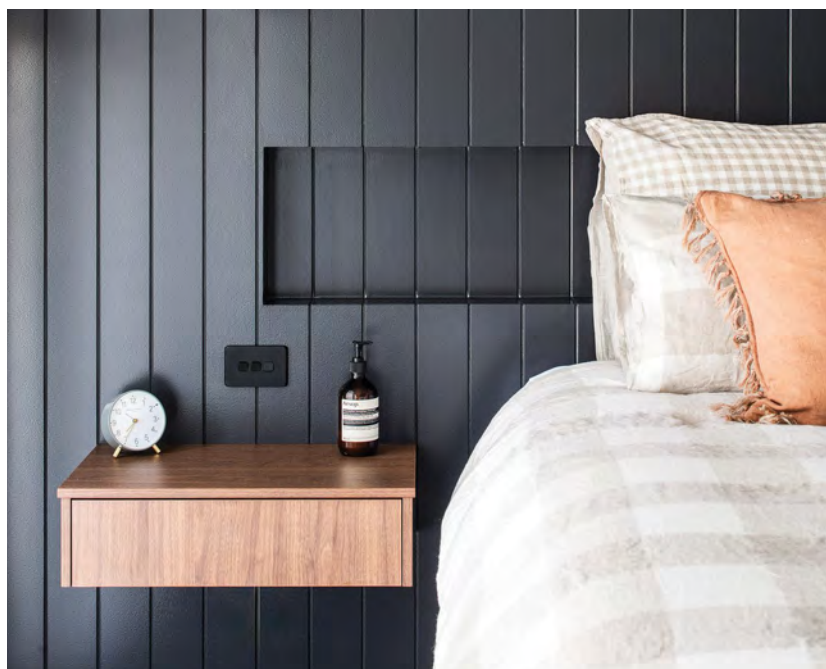
Photographer: Anjie Blair





DESIGN

Bishopsbourne House is a stunning example of modern architecture that masterfully blends communal and private spaces. A striking feature is its impressive double-height entrance, which immediately captures attention and sets the tone for the entire property. This grand entrance showcases a beautiful combination of timber, brick, and tiles, enhanced by an abundance of natural light and carefully placed feature lighting. The interior design continues to impress, with large windows and open spaces seamlessly connecting indoor and outdoor areas, allowing residents to fully appreciate the natural beauty of the rural setting. This home is a welcoming oasis, perfectly balancing comfort, elegance, and a deep connection to its surroundings.





WINNER

Commercial Interiors





CEDAR CUTTERS SPORTS BAR

Designer: Carley Austin

Photographer: Racheal Tagg Photography

DESIGN

The chosen colour scheme of luxurious salmon and eucalyptus, paired with the unique use of marble and brick, sets this project apart with a captivating and exclusive atmosphere. The deliberate selection of these uncommon materials encourages social interaction and dialogue, creating a space that is both inviting and distinctive. This thoughtful approach to design showcases a strong commitment to innovation and aesthetic excellence.





WINNER

Kitchen Design



CHALMERS HOUSE

Designer: Dane Layton

Photographer: Oscar Sloane Photo + Film





DESIGN

A beautifully resolved contemporary, light-filled, elegant space. The juxtaposition of kitchen and outdoor cooking area creates a masterful combination for family and larger entertaining opportunities. Lots of design elements including task and decorative lighting, coffered ceilings, textures, shapes and a minimal yet elegant material palette make this a kitchen space I think any enthusiastic home cook would be delighted to create meals in.





WINNER

Bathroom Design

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MODERN FARMHOUSE

Designer: Graeme Bakker

Practice: Bakker Design

Web: bakkerdesign.com.au





DESIGN

The Master Ensuite is a stunning example of thoughtful design, featuring abundant natural light that enhances its luxurious feel. Floor-to-ceiling travertine tiles, a black stone bathtub with brass fixtures, and large windows overlooking a private garden create a serene atmosphere. The timber curved vanity with dual sinks, framed by triangular windows and pendant lights, adds a touch of elegance. The shower area, with its stone mosaic seat, curved screen, and skylights, is both functional and refined, with the discreet placement of the toilet ensuring the space remains seamless and sophisticated.





WINNER

Documentation Quality



182 TENNYSON

Designer: Andrew Brown

Photographer: Dana Beligan Photography





DESIGN

This project is exceptionally well designed and meticulously documented. The drawings are clear, uncluttered, and easy to interpret, which greatly facilitates the construction process. The thoughtful presentation ensures that the project is not only aesthetically pleasing but also straightforward to execute, reflecting a high level of professionalism and attention to detail.





WINNER

Concept Design



GENDERS

Designer: Elie Sleiman

Practice: ES Design

Web: es.com.au





DESIGN

This project is a remarkable example of contemporary design infused with traditional European architectural elements on a grand scale. The design successfully connects interior and exterior spaces, with the private and well-positioned studio being a great addition. The planning is expansive and thoughtful, with the use of arcades and strategic planting providing both protective and cooling benefits. This is a very grand and commendable design, perfectly aligned with the clients' needs and the brief.





WINNER

Unbuilt Work





DESIGN

La Scala House is a thoughtfully designed home that seamlessly blends a tropical character with its canal-side location. The understated street appearance respects the neighbourhood's character, while the semi-reserved entry creates a sense of arrival that leads through a breezy, protected corridor. This transition sets the tone for a home focused on wellbeing and comfort. The design incorporates passive features like louvres to harness local breezes, enhancing the tropical feel.



LASCALA HOUSE

Designer: Bianca Gemmill

Practice: BCG Building Design

Web: bcgbuildingdesign.com.au





WINNER

Student Design



BUILDING 42 - REIMAGINED

Designer: Harry McArthur





DESIGN

RMIT Building 42 Reimagined, designed by Harry McArthur and Myron Mitchell, is a standout project within the broader development of a vocational education-focused city campus. This project excels in sustainable design, notably through its motorised fabric façade that adapts to environmental conditions. The building thoughtfully honours its site and history by incorporating steel and fabric elements, a nod to the location's textile manufacturing heritage. This innovative design successfully merges sustainability with a deep connection to the site's past, making it a truly remarkable contribution to the campus.





WINNER

Thermal Design Excellence Award



CHERRY ORCHARD RISE

Designer: Kendra Clancy

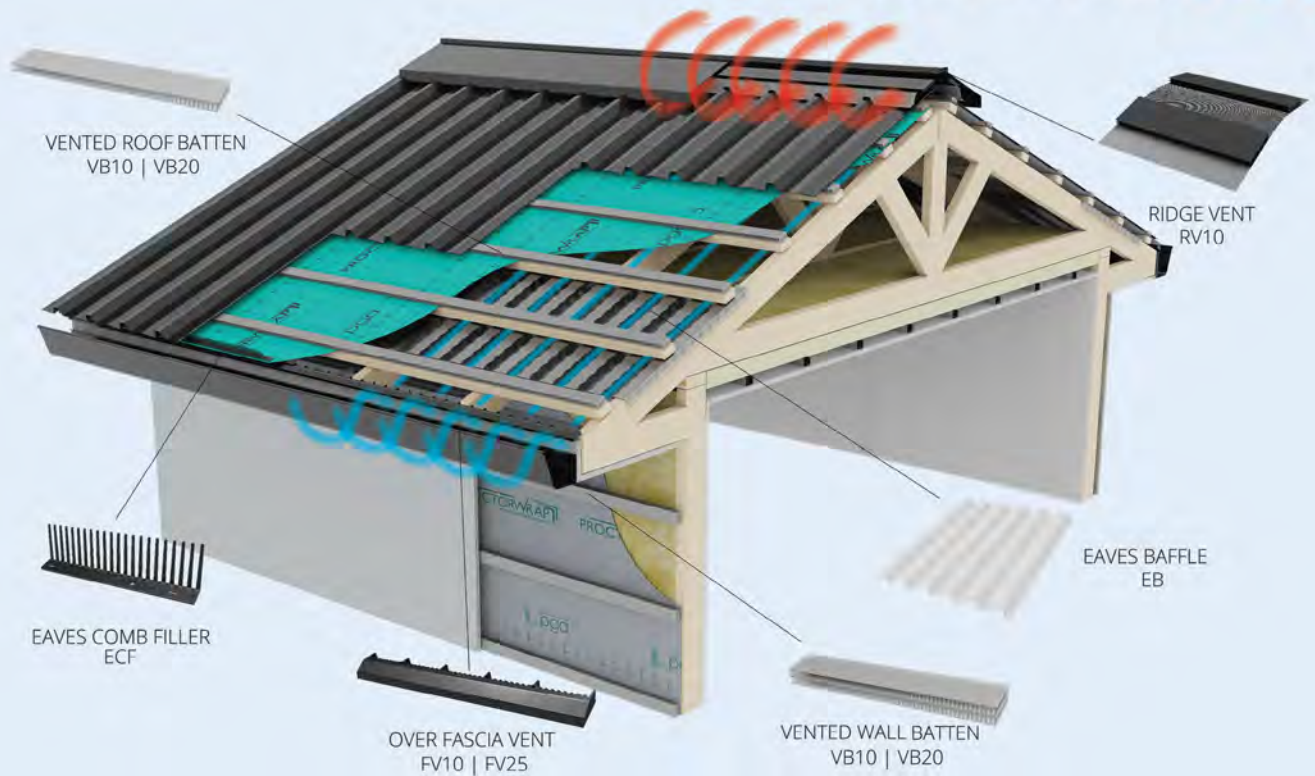
Practice: Easy Building Green P/L

Web: easybuildinggreen.com.au

Photographer: Mike Saunders Photography

DESIGN

Kendra has truly excelled in transforming a 1960s three-bedroom brick veneer home with an initially low star rating. Through her innovative approach and dedication, she achieved an impressive increase of over 300% in thermal efficiency. This project exemplifies the essence of the Thermal Performance Excellence Award, highlighting Kendra's exceptional ability to overcome the challenges presented by older construction. Her work not only significantly improved the energy efficiency of the home but also set a new benchmark for what can be accomplished in retrofitting older properties. This achievement clearly stands out as a testament to her commitment to enhancing the thermal performance of residential buildings.



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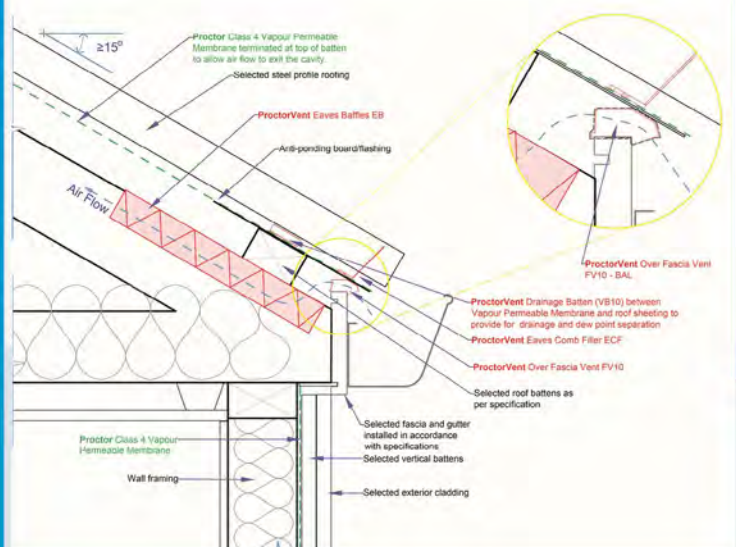
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Commendations

BDAA National Design Awards 2024

The 2024 BDAA National Design Awards Commendations recognise projects that exemplify exceptional creativity, innovation, and technical prowess.

These commendations celebrate the designers whose work has made a significant impact on the Australian design landscape, showcasing a high level of excellence that deserves to be acknowledged. Though they may not have claimed the top award, their contributions to the industry are nothing short of remarkable.

Each commended project tells a story of vision and ingenuity. From residential spaces that blend form with function to commercial projects that challenge traditional design paradigms, these designs demonstrate a commitment to pushing boundaries. The creative solutions presented here address complex challenges while keeping the user experience at the forefront, making these projects stand out in their ingenuity and practical application.

These commendations also reflect the ongoing commitment of the BDAA members to sustainability and innovation. Each designer has demonstrated an ability to integrate environmental consciousness with cutting-edge design, contributing to the evolution of responsible and forward-thinking design. The projects embody the fusion of aesthetic appeal and environmental stewardship, ensuring that the built environment continues to thrive with minimal impact on the planet.

We congratulate the recipients of the 2024 Commendations for their outstanding achievements. Your work represents the heart of Australian design—a blend of creativity, sustainability, and resilience. These commendations are not merely acknowledgments; they are a testament to your ability to inspire and innovate, making a lasting impact on the industry and setting the stage for future success.



COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings
(\$601,000 to \$999,000)



PARK RESIDENCE

Designer: Dylan Barber

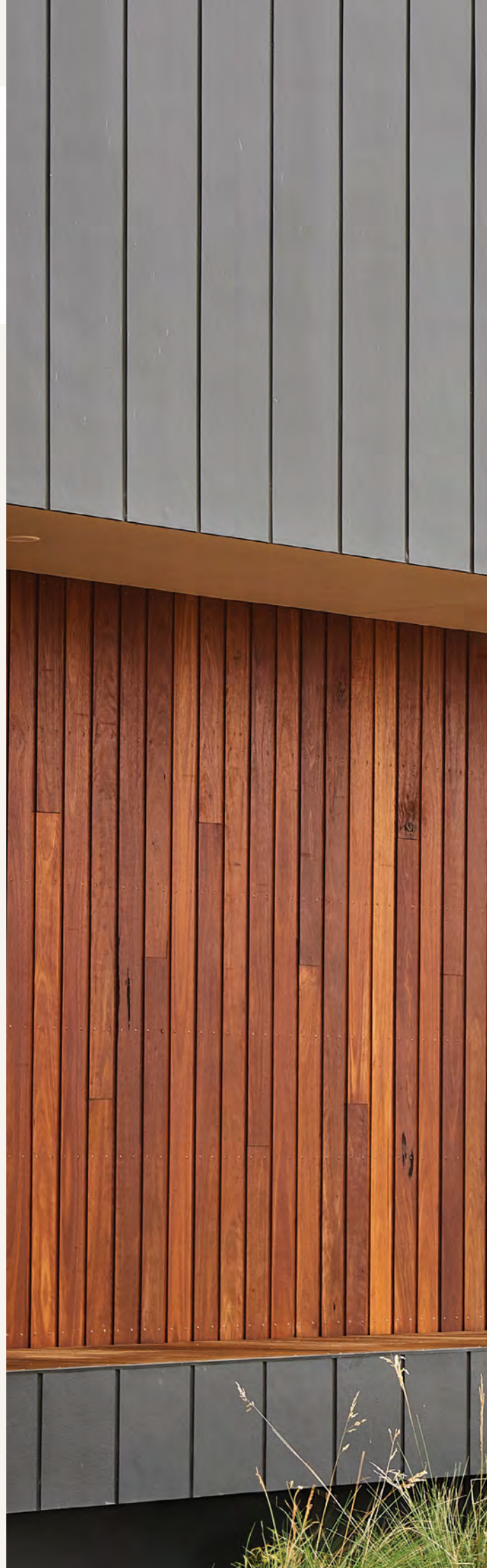
Practice: Dylan Barber Building Design

Web: dylanbarber-buildingdesign.com

Photographer: Nikole Ramsay

DESIGN

This project exemplifies attention to detail, seamlessly integrating functionality, aesthetics, and sustainability to create an inspiring space. The design thoughtfully incorporates two distinct 'wings,' each with three separate zones, ensuring clear separation between the master suite, central living areas, and secondary bedrooms. This project is a testament to the designer's skill and vision, delivering a home that is both beautifully crafted and highly functional.







COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (\$601,000 to \$999,000)

Park Residence, Designer: Dylan Barber







COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (\$1.0m to \$1.5m)



TOOMAH FARM

Designer: Jarrett Drake

Practice: Drake Design Pty Ltd

Web: drakedesign.com.au

Photographer: Elise Scott





DESIGN

The strategic alignment of the dual view living room to capture the best views demonstrates an understanding of site potential. This approach also enhances the connection between the interior and the surrounding environment, creating a seamless integration that enriches the living experience.





COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (\$1.51m to \$1.99m)





DESIGN

Faced with an irregularly shaped block in a prime location, this home has been expertly designed to maximise its expansive water frontage. Every inch of available space has been utilised to create a modern, functional design that captures wide water views and fills the home with natural light. The result is a generously spaced, light-filled residence that perfectly meets the needs of its occupants, showcasing how thoughtful design can turn challenging sites into exceptional living spaces.



HARBOURVIEW

Designer: Stuart Osman

Practice: Stuart Osman Building Designs

Web: stuartosman.com.au





COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (\$1.51m to \$1.99m)

Harbourview, Designer: Stuart Osman







COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (\$2.0m to \$2.99m)



CASA OLEA

Designer: Aleksandar Sasa Nikolic

Practice: ExedraStudio Pty Ltd

Web: exedrastudio.com.au

Photographer: Mod Textures





DESIGN

This project masterfully blends Moroccan and Mediterranean design elements, using natural stone, timber, and brass finishes to create a warm and inviting atmosphere. The open-plan ground floor, highlighted by a stunning Taj Mahal Quartzite kitchen island, offers seamless indoor-outdoor flow, enhancing the living experience. The luxurious master suite and rooftop terrace provide breathtaking water views, while the inclusion of a solar system, sunken firepit, and heated pool elevate the home into a truly exceptional holiday retreat.





COMMENDATION

New Residential Buildings (over \$3.0m)





DAYTONA

Designer: Stuart Osman

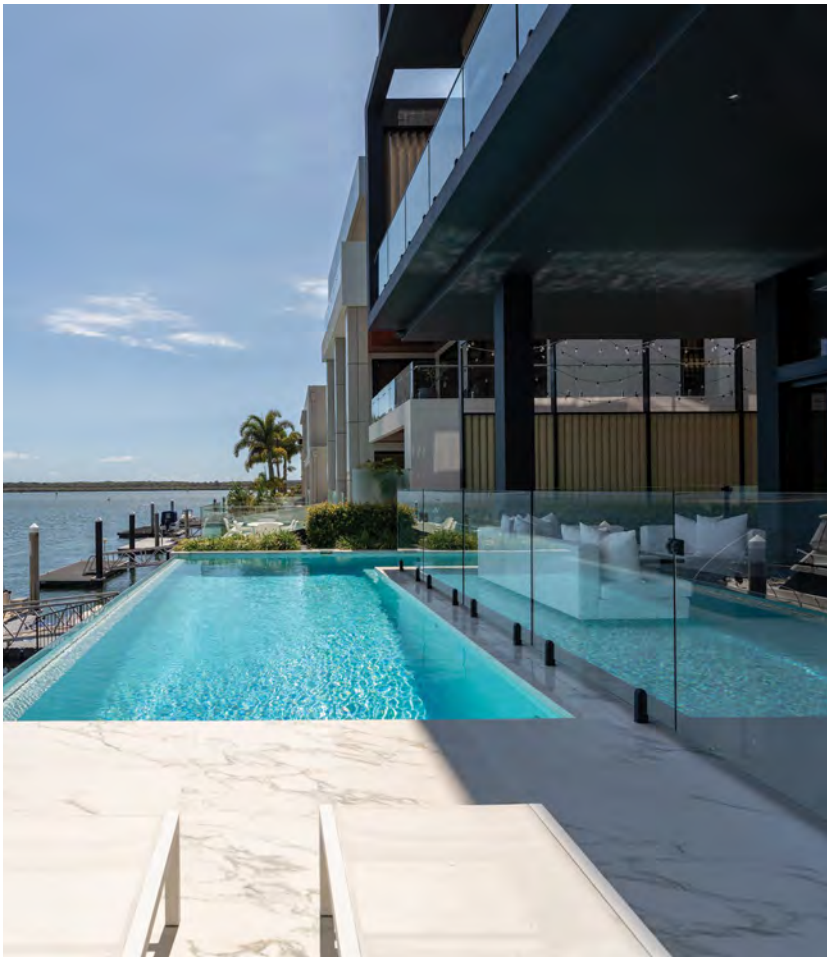
Practice: Stuart Osman Building Designs

Web: stuartosman.com.au

Photographer: MILKY MEDIA

DESIGN

Daytona represents the pinnacle of luxury living, offering a level of sophistication that is truly extraordinary. This home features an entire floor dedicated to a master suite, complete with its own indoor pool, showcasing the epitome of opulence. The bold, modern façade encases interiors adorned with lavish fixtures and finishes, creating a residence of unparalleled elegance. Every detail in Daytona reflects a commitment to excellence, making it a standout example of luxurious and imaginative design.





COMMENDATION

Residential Alterations / Additions (up to \$500,000)



VERDANT

Designer: Aaron Schumacher

Practice: Aaron Schumacher Drafting

Web: as-drafting.com





DESIGN

This home showcases a masterful transformation of a basic 1950s cottage into an elegant and luxurious residence. The significant changes in design, colour choices, and finishes breathe new life into the property, emphasising natural light, solar access, and thermal mass. The design thoughtfully integrates with the established vegetation and the iconic heritage streetscape, honouring the home's traditional roots while introducing a modern flair. The result is a high-end property that is beautifully saturated with light, offering a perfect blend of classic and contemporary living at its finest.





COMMENDATION

Industrial Buildings



STANTON

Designer: Jeremy Ferguson





DESIGN

Great choice at maximizing site use with professional advice. Alternative design has saved the developer money, looks significantly better than surrounding similar use buildings, provides flexibility in future use, and uses the most sustainable mix of materials all at once. Well done

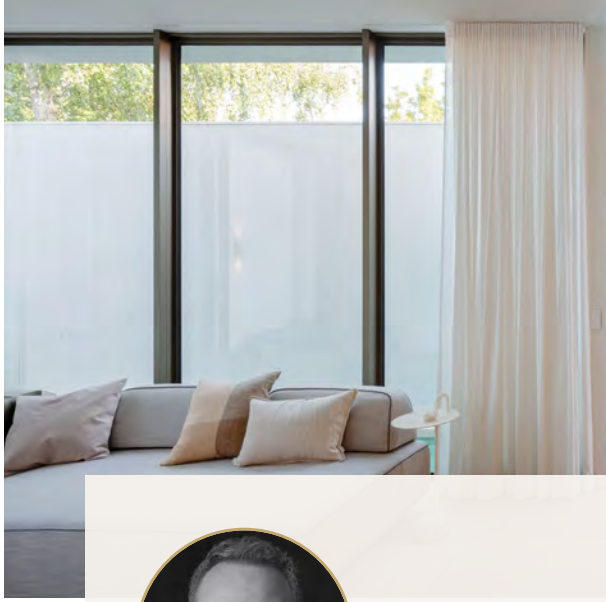




COMMENDATION

Dual Occupancy





182 TENNYSON

Designer: Andrew Brown

Photographer: Dana Beligan Photography

DESIGN

Another beautifully designed home, this project showcases the timeless elegance achieved through the use of face bricks. The internal and external design are both highly appealing, with abundant natural light enhancing the interiors, thanks to the well-considered placement of windows and skylights. The result is a harmonious and inviting living space that embodies both aesthetic beauty and functional excellence.





COMMENDATION

Residential Interiors



VICTORIA

Designer: Elie Sleiman

Practice: ES Design

Web: es.com.au

Photographer: Simon Whitbread





DESIGN

This project redefines home design with Mediterranean-inspired interiors, using a muted neutral palette that invites personal expression. The soft shades of beige and white create a serene atmosphere, while rich textures like linens and wool enhance comfort and visual appeal. A beautifully designed internal staircase adds character, and sleek brushed gold fixtures bring a modern, refined touch. This design expertly balances sophistication with a warm, inviting ambiance, making it a standout achievement.





COMMENDATION

Commercial Interiors



SEAPORT BOULEVARD BAR

Designer: Frank Geskus

Practice: Prime Design

Web: primedesigntas.com.au

Photographer: Aaron Jones





DESIGN

The project brilliantly reimagines the clandestine elegance of the 1920s American "speakeasy" with a modern twist. Drawing on moody jazz vibes and an air of secrecy, the venue's intimate and luxurious atmosphere is meticulously crafted. The design pays homage to the glamorous Art Deco style with bold, rich colours and luxurious materials, creating an opulent setting. The new establishment is poised to be a standout addition to Launceston's vibrant nightlife.





COMMENDATION

Kitchen Design



MANOR DE ROMAGNOLA

Designer: Jaspreet Singh

Practice: Arcinovationz

Web: arcinovationz.com.au





DESIGN

This large room is beautifully designed, with abundant natural light that contrasts strikingly with the deep timber tones and granite surfaces. The moveable island bench is a particularly innovative feature, offering the flexibility to create additional working space wherever needed in the kitchen. This thoughtful design combines functionality with aesthetic appeal, making it a standout.





COMMENDATION

Documentation Quality



LILYFIELD MERRY-GO-ROUND HOUSE

Designer: Joseph Toth

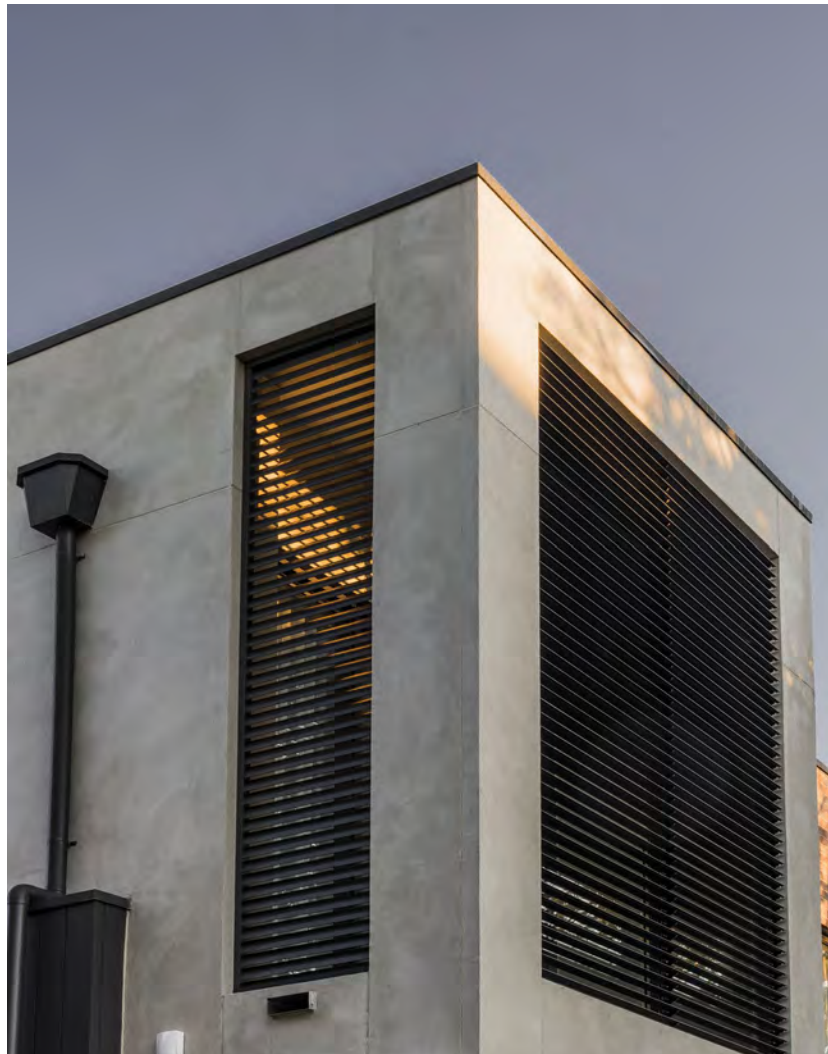
Photographer: Steve Ballas - Tribe Visuals





DESIGN

This project is both well designed and thoroughly documented. The extensive collection of drawings ensures that every detail is meticulously covered, providing clear guidance for builders and contractors. This comprehensive approach not only enhances the understanding of the design but also streamlines the construction process, demonstrating a strong commitment to quality and precision.





Industry Partners

BDAA National Design Awards 2024

The Building Designers Association of Australia (BDAA) values the essential role our Industry Partners play as supporters of both our association and the wider design community.

The 2024 Industry Partner Awards celebrate these important partnerships, where industry leaders collaborate with BDAA members, selecting standout projects that reflect innovation, sustainability, and design excellence as part of the National Design Award program. This partnership highlights the synergy between industry and design, creating an ecosystem that drives our industry forward.

This year's Industry Partners have demonstrated not only a commitment to the design community but also a keen understanding of what makes a project truly exceptional. By selecting projects that exemplify creativity, functionality, and environmental responsibility, these partners help shine a spotlight on the transformative power of great design. Their involvement elevates the awards program, adding another layer of recognition that underscores the importance of collaboration across the industry.

The winners of the 2024 Industry Partner Awards represent the shared values of innovation and sustainability. These partnerships enable BDAA members to bring their creative visions to life with the support of products and services that meet the highest standards of quality and environmental stewardship. The projects chosen by our industry partners set new benchmarks in Australian design, reflecting the collaborative spirit that is at the heart of the BDAA community.

We extend our congratulations to the recipients of the Industry Partner Awards, and we thank our partners for their continued support. Together, we are not only celebrating excellence in design but also fostering a collaborative future that will continue to elevate the standards of the Australian building design landscape.



JAMES HARDIE

Industry Partner Award



MODERN FARMHOUSE

Designer: Graeme Bakker

Practice: Bakker Design

Web: bakkerdesign.com.au

Photographer: Atelier Photography, Bronte Media, Joshua Hill

DESIGN

Aligning to the James Hardie Modern Forecast is this gorgeous Modern Farmhouse that really makes the most of the Hardie™ Architectural Collection. Hardie™ Oblique™ Cladding, Hardie™ Fine Texture Cladding and the Hardie™ Brushed Concrete Cladding have all been used to create differentiated pavilions with texture and visual interest. We can see the attention to design and craftsmanship in the build are second to none. We commend the winner for the use of our newest cladding material Hardie Brushed Concrete Cladding and showing how this unique pre-textured cladding can really add a different look to a home.



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LYSAGHT

Industry Partner Award



POOL HOUSE

Designer: Daniel Wedd

Photographer: Matt Dodd

DESIGN

Featuring LYSAGHT ENSEAM® the pool house combines a seamless blend of modern design and practical functionality. LYSAGHT ENSEAM® in COLORBOND® steel Woodland Grey®, and the clean lines of the cladding create a contemporary aesthetic that complements the existing house. The light-coloured horizontal cladding on the pool house frontage, juxtaposed with the LYSAGHT ENSEAM® creates a fresh and inviting feel. With a focus on sustainability, the use of ENSEAM®, a durable and long-lasting material, reduces the need for frequent replacements and minimises waste. The COLORBOND® steel used in LYSAGHT ENSEAM® contains recycled content and the steel itself can be recycled, contributing to resource conservation. The innovative use of materials maximises space and enhances the alfresco area, providing a stylish and generous space for outdoor living and dining, while harmoniously complementing the existing home.



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We proudly recognise the winner of the Lysaght Category Award, The Pool House by Daniel Wedd, Maldanna Building Design for their exceptional use of ZENITH® ENSEAM® in a residential setting. This innovative design redefines modern outdoor living, seamlessly blending style and functionality.

The ZENITH® premium cladding range offered a bold aesthetic and exceptional durability, making it the ideal choice for this design. With its unique profiles and versatile applications, ZENITH® elevates any project while maintaining the high performance you expect from LYSAGHT® products.



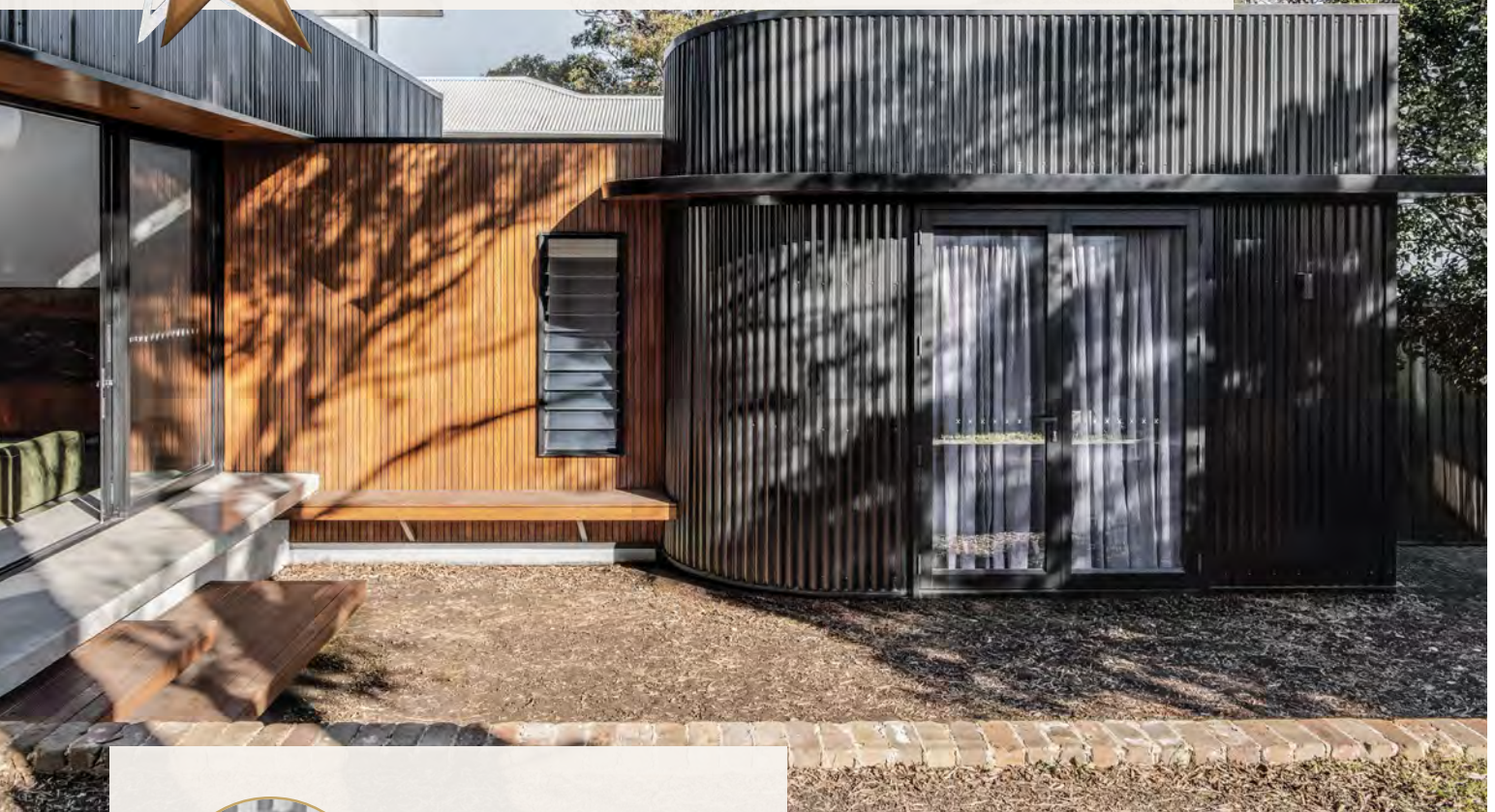
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COLORBOND

Industry Partner Award - Colorbond



ART HOUSE

Designer: Joel Etherington

Practice: DeBu studios

Photographer: Adam Willis from creative co

DESIGN

A build using a sensitive, modern & innovative approach. While retaining it's heritage aesthetics as well as incorporating new & contrasting colour & materials maintained a high level of elegance. There is beautiful & sympathetic repetition of line & form - curves throughout, linear in the custom orb then the timber batons. Congratulations.





Congratulations Joel Etherington of DebuStudios

Winner of the 2024 COLORBOND® steel Industry Partner Award.

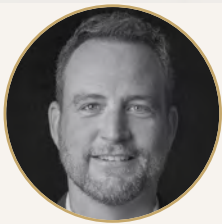
Aimed at honouring the existing dwelling's curved form while presenting it in a contrasting manner, exploring different materials and palettes to usher in a new era for the Art Deco heritage listed dwelling, Art House.

Opting for a custom orb cladding profile in the COLORBOND® steel colour Night Sky® in a classic finish to create a contrasting texture that would also accommodate the new curves and details.



CEMINTEL/HEBEL

Industry Partner Award



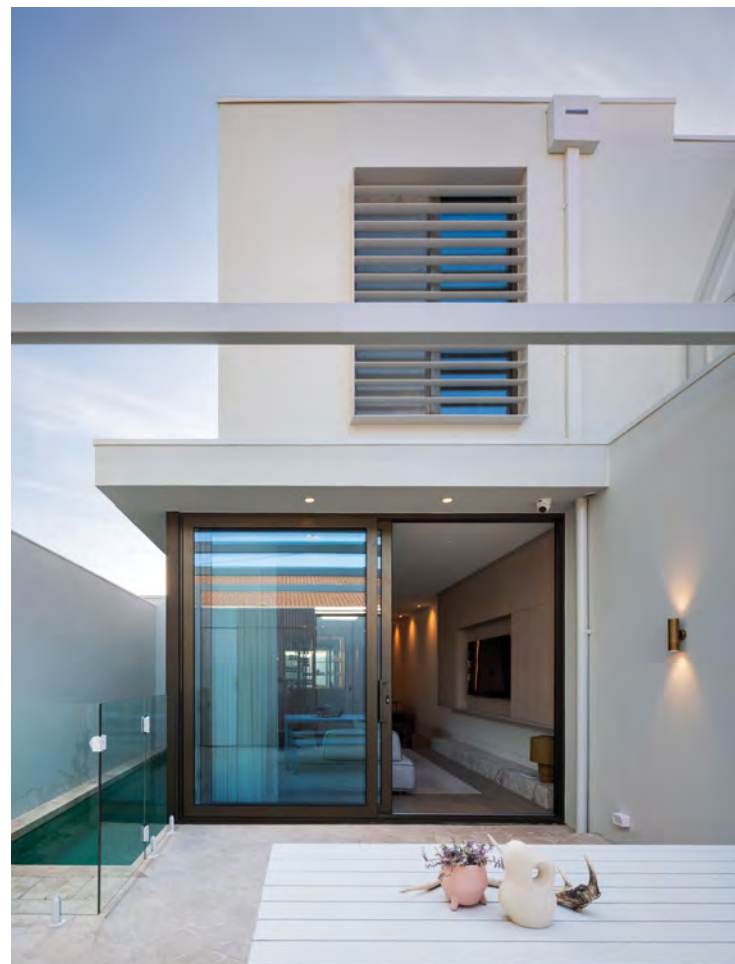
182 TENNYSON

Designer: Andrew Brown

Photographer: Dana Beligan Photograph

DESIGN

The Tennyson dual occupancy project is a celebration of Hebel and Cemintel used together as a mixed façade solution producing a great result. The façade uses the beautiful look of rendered Hebel, contrasted with the vertical lineal look of Cemintel Edge Cladding Oxford. Hebel has been used for most of the external walls, while Cemintel Oxford has been used for the exterior on the 1st floor.



A construction worker in an orange shirt and hard hat is working on a modern building with a curved facade. The building features large windows and a mix of white and dark grey panels. The sky is clear and blue.

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ITI AUSTRALIA

Industry Partner Award



COASTAL OOGAR

Designer: Chris McCabe

Practice: DCM Building Design

Web: dcmbuildingdesign.com.au

Photographer: Haus Media Co

DESIGN

The use of BlackButt natural timber throughout this project is truly exceptional, adding warmth and character to every space. Its rich tones and fine grain create a stunning contrast with other materials, highlighting the craftsmanship and attention to detail in the design. The consistent use of this timber not only enhances the overall aesthetic but also brings a cohesive and elegant feel to the entire project, making it a standout feature that beautifully ties the spaces together.



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WEATHERTEX

Industry Partner Award



NGUMBAAY-DYIL - SHARED LEARNING HUB

Designer: Kirk Gleeson

Practice: Barnson Pty Ltd

Web: barnson.com.au

Photographer: Matthew Harper Photography

DESIGN

Congratulations to Ngumbaay-Dyil - Shared Learning Hub for winning the Weathertex BDAA award! The use of Weathergroove Fusion natural stained perfectly complements both the environment and our rich heritage, showcasing a thoughtful and sustainable design. Well deserved!





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Luminaries

BDAA National Design Awards 2024

The BDAA Luminaries program stands as a cornerstone of the National Design Awards, honouring those who have gone above and beyond in their contributions to the Building Designers Association of Australia and the broader design community.

These awards recognise not only professional milestones but also the dedication, passion, and leadership that enrich the industry as a whole. Our Luminaries shine as beacons of inspiration, embodying the values of creativity, mentorship, and innovation.

This year's Luminaries have demonstrated exceptional leadership, pushing the boundaries of design while uplifting their peers through engagement, education, and collaboration. Whether it's a designer who has excelled in professional development, a rising star poised to shape the future of the industry, or a practice that consistently sets new standards, these individuals and teams reflect the very best of what the BDAA represents. Their contributions go far beyond their own projects, helping to nurture and grow the community that drives Australian design forward.

The categories of recognition—ranging from the President's Award to the Professional Development Award—celebrate those who have made a profound impact, both within the BDAA and in the broader design world. These recipients exemplify what it means to be a leader in design: committed to excellence, passionate about growth, and dedicated to fostering a culture of creativity and innovation. Their efforts ensure that the future of Australian design will be as dynamic and resilient as ever.

To our 2024 Luminaries, we offer our deepest congratulations. Your work, leadership, and vision serve as an inspiration to all, and your dedication to the craft is a vital part of the BDAA's ongoing success. As we honour your achievements today, we also look to the future, knowing that your contributions will continue to shape and elevate the world of building design for years to come.



WINNER

President's Award



Linda Morrison

Linda has been a pillar of strength and reliability within the BDAA for many years, serving as our longest-standing staff member. As Administration Officer, her exceptional professionalism and dedication have set a high standard. Linda's effective communication with members, the public, and industry partners has made her the trusted voice of the BDAA.

This year, Linda's contributions were pivotal in the successful rollout of our new Association Management System. Her deep understanding of our operations and hands-on involvement were crucial to its success. Linda consistently goes above and beyond, demonstrating care and commitment that benefits everyone at BDAA.

On behalf of the entire association, we extend our profound gratitude to Linda for her invaluable contributions and look forward to many more years of collaboration.



WINNER

Most Engaged Member of the Year



Shane Vaughan

Shane has exemplified what it means to be an engaged BDAA member over the past twelve months. His active participation on BDAA platforms and throughout the community has been outstanding. Shane has not only initiated valuable conversations but has also consistently contributed to ongoing discussions, making him a clear standout this year.

We sincerely thank Shane for his dedication and commitment to the BDAA membership community.



WINNER

Professional Development Award



Cristian Gonzalez

Cristian Gonzalez has undertaken an exceptional amount of CPD throughout the year, which is a true testament to his commitment to education and professional growth. His dedication to continuous learning not only enhances his own expertise but also reflects the broader importance of staying current in our ever-evolving industry.

By prioritising education, Cristian Gonzalez sets a strong example of how ongoing professional development is crucial for maintaining high standards and delivering excellence in our field. His efforts underscore the value of lifelong learning as a cornerstone of both personal and professional success.



WINNER

Rising Star Award



Holly Rickard

Hailing from South Australia, Holly Rickard has shown exceptional talent and dedication in her dual roles as a building designer and licensed builder. Within the BDAA community, Holly has made a significant impact by sharing her expert knowledge and consistently demonstrating her skills and commitment to excellence.

Her unique blend of expertise and passion makes her a standout figure in our community. We are eager to see her continued growth and success, and we proudly congratulate her on this well-deserved recognition as the Rising Star of the Year.



WINNER

Practice of the Year



Prime Design Tasmania

Prime Design Tasmania, the winner of Practice of the Year, exemplifies excellence across a diverse range of projects—from simple renovations to custom homes and large multi-residential developments. A key factor in their success is the commitment to continuous improvement, evident in their innovative 'Sketch to Permit System,' which expertly navigates the complexities of building regulations and council approvals.

The vast majority of the team at Prime Design are proud members of the BDAA, showcasing the firm's dedication to providing the best learning opportunities for all team members. This focus on education not only benefits the individuals involved but also enhances the overall performance of the business and the quality of service provided to their clients. Prime Design Tasmania's ability to consistently deliver high-quality residential and commercial projects has rightfully earned them this prestigious award, solidifying their reputation as a multi-award-winning practice setting a new standard in the industry.



WINNER

Volunteer of the Year
In Honour of Lara Begg



Gilbert Sayegh

Over the last few years, Gilbert has put in exceptional effort, dedication and many hours into the organisation, facilitation and coordination of the Greater Western Sydney Chapter (GWS). He has been a vital key to the success of GWS and sets the standard of what an Active, Consistent and Lively chapter can be.

Gilbert personifies the true spirit of volunteerism. We look forward to many others following in his footsteps and being inspired to volunteer as he has.



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Our Sustainability Journey So far

Sustainability is fundamental and integrated into everything we do — from our manufacturing processes to how we deliver our products to customers. We are continuously seeking better ways to reduce our carbon footprint and over the past years, we've made significant improvements by updating our processes, reducing factory emissions, and emphasising recycling, all the way from raw materials to packaging. It's a key pillar of our business strategy and will remain a central focus as we move forward, guiding our innovation and growth.

Our recently launched Zen indoor/outdoor collection is another example of our forward thinking. Produced using 316L stainless steel is an exceptional material choice for tapware design due to its remarkable resilience and corrosion resistance, even in harsh environments. From a product functionality point of view, this ensures longevity and prime performance of our "Zen" range even in coastal areas or places with particularly high humidity. Its inherent strength allows it to withstand daily wear and tear, ensuring that our tapware remains in pristine condition for years to come.

The material boasts a sleek and modern quality, which perfectly expresses the design philosophy behind the collection, with clean lines and polished finish elevating any bathroom space with its refined and minimalist aesthetic. At the same time, on top of the environmental benefits of the material itself, the exclusive use of lead-free components ensures that our products are safe for both our customers and the environment.

One of the key aspects of our sustainability agenda is our focus on longevity. By designing products that are durable and built to last – like the "Zen" collection – we help reduce the frequency of replacements and, ultimately, minimise waste. We also encourage the adoption of water-efficient solutions, which are critical in helping households and businesses conserve one of our most precious, life-giving resources.

