

Architecture by Hand and Mind: 60 years of architecture at UNSW



The 60th Anniversary of UNSW Architecture was celebrated with a large and happy gathering of architecture alumni on 21 October.

The evening commenced in Leighton Hall with talks from Professor Alec Tzannes, Dean of UNSW Built Environment, and Professor Iain Martin, Vice-President and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), followed by personal reflections from four generations of alumni including Felicity Stewart and Matthias Hollenstein (Directors, Stewart Hollenstein), Annie Tennant (Senior Development Manager, Public Domain and Public Art, Lendlease), Harry Stephens (Educator and Architect), and Professor Glenn Murcutt AO.

Professor Xing Ruan, Director of Architecture at UNSW, offered concluding remarks and briefly introduced the new curriculum, set to commence in 2016. The crowd then migrated to the Red Centre to view the exhibition *Architecture by Hand & Mind*, curated by Dr Ainslie Murray, which featured diverse contributions from 26 alumni practices.

Pictured top: Alumnus Professor Richard Johnson of JPW's model of ANZAC Memorial Hyde Park Sydney.

Pictured bottom: (L-R) Alumni Jimmy Lim and John Ladd-Hudson (photo by Ian Hobbs).



Dean's Message

As 2015 draws to a close, I would like to acknowledge our students who have recently graduated at UNSW Built Environment for their achievements and welcome them to our alumni community.

I also take this opportunity to extend my congratulations to the many alumni, students and staff who have been recognised with honours and awards for their outstanding contributions in their chosen field of endeavour throughout the year.

2016 is already shaping up to be another eventful year. I am delighted to announce that we have made an unusually large number of new academic appointments including three at professorial level. We welcome all our new academic staff and I wish them the very best at UNSW. Our three new professorial appointments are to: the inaugural Judith Neilson Chair in Architecture at UNSW, David Sanderson, the inaugural Anita Lawrence Chair in High Performance Architecture, Mattheos Santamoulis, and in the field of Urban Science and as Associate Director of the City Futures Research Centre, Chris Pettit. We particularly thank Judith Neilson and alumnus Associate Professor Anita Lawrence for their generous philanthropy to enable the named chairs to be created.

We are pleased to announce some key changes made to existing postgraduate degrees, the Master of Architecture and Master of City Planning as well as the introduction of a new degree. Our new degree Master of Urban Renewal & Housing is a program designed for all those looking to play a part in the equitable reshaping of Australia's cities.

As most of you would be aware after seven years' holding the privileged position of Dean of UNSW Built Environment, I have decided that it's time for me to pass the baton to a new custodian. The appointment of the new Dean will be announced in the New Year. To all the students, alumni, staff and colleagues of the Built Environment faculty, I express my deepest gratitude for your counsel, support and friendship. I am enriched for this experience and I look forward to returning my support by staying connected to UNSW and the faculty in the years ahead.

Finally, I take this opportunity to wish you and your families all the best for the holiday season.

Professor Alec Tzannes AM
Dean, UNSW Built Environment

2015 Industry Awards and Prizes

AIA National Architecture Awards

Congratulations to our alumni, friends of the faculty and supporters who received awards at the AIA Awards. Tzannes Associates, the architecture practice founded 30 years ago by the Dean of UNSW Built Environment, Professor Alec Tzannes AM, recently received the prestigious Australian Institute of Architects (AIA) award, the Lachlan Macquarie Award in the "Heritage" category for their work on the Irving Street Brewery, Chippendale.

UNSW Built Environment's Richard Johnson, Professor of Practice Architecture Studies and alumnus' practice received the Harry Seidler Award for their prestigious 50 Martin Place project.

The NSW Planning Institute Australia 2015 Awards

We congratulate UNSW Built Environment graduates who won NSW PIA award: Andrew Wheeler, Young Planner of the Year (UNSW Bachelor of Planning graduate); Emma Clinton, Outstanding Student Project Award (UNSW Bachelor of Planning graduate); Laura Schmahmann, Young Planner of the Year Commendation Award (UNSW Research Student).

Annual Watermark Travel Futures Competition

Congratulations to Joel Adler, Ella Sugo, Madison King, Alex Kowcz Rosinke and Vince Sriwattana, all UNSW Industrial Design students, who took out top awards in the annual Watermark Travel Futures Competition last month.

UNSW Graduate Lisa Hinde Named 2015 Future Green Leader

Lisa Hinde, Sustainability Analyst with JLL, has been named 2015 'Future Green Leader' by the Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA). "Lisa has made an extraordinary contribution to sustainability during her short career," says the GBCA's Chief Executive Officer, Romilly Madew.



Pictured (L-R): Jeff Oatman, GBCA; Paolo Bevilacqua, Frasers Property Australia; Lisa Hinde, JLL; John Richardson, Interface.

We congratulate all of our alumni on their 2015 successes and would love to hear from you. Please let us know your success stories by emailing bealumni@unsw.edu.au.

UNSW Built Environment announces postgraduate degrees



Are you looking to further your career?

We are pleased to announce some key changes made to existing postgraduate degrees, and the introduction of a new degree, Master of Urban Renewal and Housing.

Master of Architecture

We now offer Architecture PLUS. UNSW Architecture is distinctive. We offer well-rounded architectural education PLUS the choices of four distinctive streams of specialisation, each with a specific focus on how architecture responds to social and environmental challenges: High Performance Technology, Housing, Urban Conditions and Social Agency.

Master of City Planning

Master of City Planning replaces the Master of Planning. Building upon the strengths of its predecessor and enhancing the core qualities that underpin planning education at UNSW Built Environment, the new Master of City Planning represents a restructuring of our postgraduate degree to meet the needs and opportunities of our changing city and increasingly urbanised world.

New postgraduate degree announced: Master of Urban Renewal & Housing

Master of Urban Renewal & Housing is a program designed for all those looking to play a part in the equitable reshaping of Australia's cities. Hosted by UNSW Built Environment, this 1.5 year program plays into the growing centrality of urban renewal in debates on Australia's metropolitan future.

Pictured above: The Brewery Precinct at Central Park during Vivid Festival (photo by John Gollings)

For more information visit www.be.unsw.edu.au



RECONNECT for your chance to win a copy of Leisure Space

As a valued UNSW Built Environment alumnus, we want to make sure your email details are current and inform you of events, news, achievements and activities. Update your email contact details at UNSW Alumni before February 1, 2016 and you will automatically go in the draw to win a copy of '*Leisure Space: The Transformation of Sydney 1945-1970.*' Edited by UNSW Built Environment senior lecturers Dr Paul Hogben and Dr Judith O'Callaghan.

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UNSW Built Environment Research Centre News



Pictured above: (L-R) Oya Demirbilek, Rui Wang and Judith O'Callaghan

Academy Honours For Professor Bill Randolph

Congratulations to Bill Randolph who is one of eight UNSW researchers to be elected as a Fellow of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia for 2015.

Fellows are elected by their peers and are recognised for their distinguished achievements and exceptional contributions made to the Social Sciences.

New Published Book: '*Social Enterprise in the Construction Industry: Building Better Communities.*'

UNSW Professor Martin Loosemore has recently co-authored a new book '*Social Enterprise in the Construction Industry: Building Better Communities.*'

Through the lens of social enterprise, the book 'examines how the global construction industry can engage more effectively with the communities in which it builds. It addresses disadvantage and environmental degradation to leave a positive legacy for future generations.'

2015 Planning Institute of Australia (WA) Award For Excellence In Cutting Edge Research And Teaching

Congratulations to Senior Lecturer Christine Steinmetz for being

awarded the PIA (WA) Award for Excellence in the Cutting Edge Research and Teaching Category her book titled '*(Sub) Urban Sexscapes: Geographies and Regulation of the Sex Industry.*' This award recognises outstanding achievement in planning and scholarship and excellence in teaching.

Article Selected To Appear In Emerald Gems Publication

Congratulations to Professor Martin Loosemore on his article titled '*The politics of sameness in the Australian construction industry: Comparing operative & manager attitudes towards cultural diversity.*' being selected by Emerald to appear in '*Built Environment & Property Management-A Focus on Australia.*' This is a unique collection of articles that present the very highest level of scholarship in the field. Emerald is a global publisher linking research and practice to the benefit of society and has a portfolio of nearly 300 journals, more than 2500 books and over 450 teaching cases.

Major Research Equipment & Infrastructure Initiative (MREII) Awarded To Professor Chris Pettit

Congratulations to Professor Chris Pettit who has been awarded \$130,000 for equipment supporting the establishment of a portable geographical visualisation and virtual reality lab. The Geographical Visualisation and Virtual Reality Lab will be a portable state-of-the-art tactical facility supporting multidisciplinary, collaborative research and decision-making across a number of application domains including: urban science, environmental hazards, geography, geology, and climate science. The lab will enable researchers to explore and enhance understanding of big and complex datasets in the aforementioned disciplines. With the ability to visualise 3D and 4D datasets, the lab will support data driven collaborative place-making analysis, and the modelling and simulation of natural and built environment future scenarios.

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