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Felixstow Reserve recognised for architectural excellence

Felixstow Reserve Redevelopment honoured with three awards at the 2019 South Australian Landscape Architecture Awards on Friday 26 July

The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) announced the winners of the 2019 South Australian Landscape Architecture Awards on Friday 26 July.

In 2019 there were 29 entries across categories including civic landscape, infrastructure, play spaces, parks and open spaces, cultural heritage, community contribution, urban design, gardens, small projects and future leader.

By recognising the best in landscape architecture, the 2019 South Australian Awards show the value of productive and collaborative partnerships, high quality design thinking, leadership and outcomes that have shaped our cities and neighbourhoods and realised the cultural, health, social and economic benefits of greener, open and more accessible public spaces.

Felixstow Reserve Redevelopment by the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters received three awards.

Cultural Heritage - Award of Excellence

Felixstow Reserve Redevelopment by City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, in association with ASPECT Studios, Kurna Nation, Cultural Heritage Association, Paul Herzich, Oxigen and Integrated Heritage Services

Cultural Heritage Association, Paul Herzich, Oxigen and Integrated Heritage Services

This meaningful, sensitive and thoughtfully considered reserve upgrade has been informed by an exemplary process to engage and collaborate with the Kurna community. The jury commends the project team for their approach to cross-cultural engagement and collaboration, which has clearly demonstrated the benefits of intentional and genuine reconciliation approaches to design. Felixstow Reserve is now an important and meaningful place for Kurna people as well as for the broader community to gain an appreciation and respect for Kurna cultural history.

Parks and Open Space - Landscape Architecture Award

Felixstow Reserve Redevelopment by City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, ASPECT Studios and Oxigen

Felixstow Reserve demonstrates best practice in contemporary design, incorporating considerations of site, water, community engagement and facilities. Together with the preservation and restoration of the natural environment and celebration of rich local history and living culture from a bi-cultural perspective, the jury commends the project team for delivering a great outcome for the Kurna and broader community.

Healthy Parks Healthy People SA Award

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The Felixstow Reserve project demonstrates exceptional application of all six principles detailed in [Creating Greener Places for Healthy and Sustainable Communities](#). Through careful consideration of connections with the River Torrens/Karrawirra Parri, the rich Kurna history of the site and vision for future communities, this is an exemplar project that highlights the power of transforming existing sites to shape greener communities in our State. The authentic engagement process is evident across multiple layers of the design processes and project outcomes and has been instrumental in creating a high-quality public open space. The project will provide a new



benchmark for developments along the River Torrens Linear Park corridor. The project team is to be commended for their leadership and the genuine, meaningful and holistic approach to creating an amazing place for people to explore, play, connect and learn.

The expert jury noted a common thread of the 2019 entries is a confidence in the role of a genuine, inclusive engagement process to contribute to meaningful outcomes for our communities and environments, without pre-determining what may come from cross-cultural or inter-generational engagement, and to open up space and time to allow for a shared design process.

“At the core of what we do is a healthy measure of optimism, the conviction that we are contributing to such things as quality of life, rich human experiences, building capacity, well-being and resilience, to outcomes that largely stretch far beyond the present, and thinking that reaches further than the confines of any site.

From thoughtful small-scale innovations and delightful garden sanctuaries, verdant and vibrant places, engaging inclusive play spaces and activated open spaces, to integrated landscape and building settings. From places that celebrate cultural diversity and heritage significance, to major infrastructure projects and urban design frameworks, and all that fits between. Through these entries, the ability of the landscape architecture profession to lead and influence greater benefits for our communities, environment and economy is unquestionable,” commented Grace Lin – Jury Chair.

“2019 should be recognised as a significant milestone for the landscape architecture profession and its continued economic, environmental and social contribution to South Australia, with an expansive range of inclusive, city shaping and climate friendly projects. As of this year, all award entries were required to acknowledge the Aboriginal Nation relevant to the project. AILA’s leadership group and all members are to be commended for adopting this approach towards recognition of Australia’s landscapes and the people of the First Nations.” said Daniel Bennett – AILA SA President.

The projects receiving an Award of Excellence and a Landscape Architecture Award at state level proceed through to the national awards, to take place in the Melbourne in October as part of the 2019 International Festival of Landscape Architecture.

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To view project details, citations and download high res images of the winning projects, visit:

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About the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA)

The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) champions quality design for public open spaces, stronger communities and greater environmental stewardship. With our members, we anticipate and develop a leading position on issues of concern in landscape architecture. Alongside government and allied professions, we work to improve the design, planning and management of the natural and built environment. AILA represents over 3,500 (and growing) members throughout Australia and overseas. The AILA South Australia Awards are a key vehicle for the promotion of the achievements and work of landscape architects in SA, and an opportunity to demonstrate to industry, business, government and the wider community the positive impact that landscape architecture has on South Australian lives. aila.org.au

About the Jury:

Grace Lin (Jury Chair) – Principal, Design at City of Adelaide

Peter Semple – Director, Peter Semple Landscape Architects, PSLA

Alex Lock – Senior Landscape Architect, TCL (Taylor Cullity Lethlean)



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Simon Bradley - Director - Infrastructure and Environment, City of Prospect
Richard Stranger – Director Planning & Design, Renewal SA



SUMMARY 2019 SA Landscape Architecture Awards Winning Projects

Category: Civic Landscape

Civic Landscape - Award of Excellence: Pridham Hall

Entrant Practice: JPE Design Studio with Snøhetta & Jam Factory

Precinct / Area: Adelaide

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: University of South Australia

Sponsors: Brickworks

Category: Civic Landscape

Civic Landscape - Landscape Architecture Award: Westfield Tea Tree Plaza

Entrant Practice: Outerspace Landscape Architects

Precinct / Area: Tea Tree Gully

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: Scentre Group

Sponsors: Brickworks

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Category: Community Contribution

Civic Landscape - Landscape Architecture Award: Acknowledgement of Aboriginal Country Signage

Entrant Practice: Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure

Precinct / Area: VARIOUS

Aboriginal Nation: VARIOUS

Client: Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure

Sponsors: City of Adelaide

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Category: Cultural Heritage

Cultural Heritage Award of Excellence: Felixstow Reserve Redevelopment

Entrant Practice: City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, in association with ASPECT Studios, Kaurna Nation Cultural Heritage Association, Paul Herzich, Oxigen and Integrated Heritage Services

Precinct / Area: Felixstow, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna, Spencer Region

Client: City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Sponsors: ODASA

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Category: Gardens

Gardens Landscape Architecture Award: Jones Residence

Entrant Practice: TCL (Taylor Cullity Lethlean)

Precinct / Area: Tusmore

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: Mark and Emily Jones

Sponsors: WE-EF LIGHTING

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Category: Infrastructure

Infrastructure Award of Excellence: City Bikeways - North South Bikeway

Entrant Practice: City of Adelaide

Precinct / Area: City of Adelaide

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna



Client: State Government of South Australia and City of Adelaide

Sponsors: ACO

Category: Infrastructure

Infrastructure Landscape Architecture Award: Aldinga Township Project

Entrant Practice: City of Onkaparinga

Precinct / Area: City of Onkaparinga

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of Onkaparinga

Sponsors: ACO

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Category: Parks and Open Space

Parks and Open Space Award of Excellence: Pelzer Park / Pityarilla (Park 19) Activity Hub

Entrant Practice: ASPECT Studios, City of Adelaide and The Office for Design and Architecture SA

Precinct / Area: City of Adelaide

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of Adelaide and The Office for Design and Architecture

Sponsors: Street Furniture Australia

Category: Parks and Open Space

Parks and Open Space Landscape Architecture Award: Felixstow Reserve

Entrant Practice: ASPECT Studios and Oxigen

Precinct / Area: Felixstow, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna, Spencer Region

Client: City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Sponsors: Street Furniture Australia

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Category: Play Spaces

Play Spaces Landscape Architecture Award: Hendrie Street Reserve - a great place for all.

Entrant Practice: City of Marion

Precinct / Area: Park Holme, City of Marion

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of Marion

Sponsors: Carey Gully Sandstone

Category: Play Spaces

Play Spaces Landscape Architecture Award: Hilton Memorial Gardens Playspace

Entrant Practice: WAX Design

Precinct / Area: Hilton, City of West Torrens

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of West Torrens

Sponsors: Carey Gully Sandstone

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Category: Small Projects

Small Projects Landscape Architecture Award: Virginia Grove Active Branding Project

Entrant Practice: WAX Design

Precinct / Area: Virginia Grove

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna



Client: Lanser Communities
Sponsors: WE-EF LIGHTING

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Category: Urban Design

Urban Design Award of Excellence: Lot Fourteen Master Plan & Protocols

Entrant Practice: Oxigen

Precinct / Area: Adelaide

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: Renewal SA, Government of South Australia

Category: Urban Design

Urban Design Landscape Architecture Award: Design King William

Entrant Practice: City of Unley with Communicate, Village Well and Outerspace Landscape Architects

Precinct / Area: City of Unley

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of Unley

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SUMMARY 2019 South Australia Specific Awards

Healthy Parks Healthy People SA Award:

Recipient: Felixstow Reserve

Entrant Practice: City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters, in association with ASPECT Studios, Kaurna Nation Cultural Heritage Association, Paul Herzich, Oxigen and Integrated Heritage Services

Precinct / Area: Felixstow, City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna, Spencer Region

Client: City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Sponsor: Department for Health and Wellbeing and the Department for Environment and Water through Healthy Parks Healthy People SA

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2019 AILA SA President's Award

RECIPIENT: Government of South Australia - Department for Health and Wellbeing and Department for Environment and Water

PROJECT: Healthy Parks Healthy People SA - Action Plan 2
2016-2021 Quality Green Public Space

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Category: Future Leader Award Graduate

Recipient: Oliver Johnson

Practice: Oxigen

Sponsor: The University of Adelaide

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Category: The Adelaide Review and AILA SA People's Choice Award

Recipient: Roy Marten Park

Entrant Practice: Outerspace Landscape Architects

Precinct / Area: City of Port Adelaide Enfield

Aboriginal Nation: Kaurna

Client: City of Port Adelaide Enfield

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