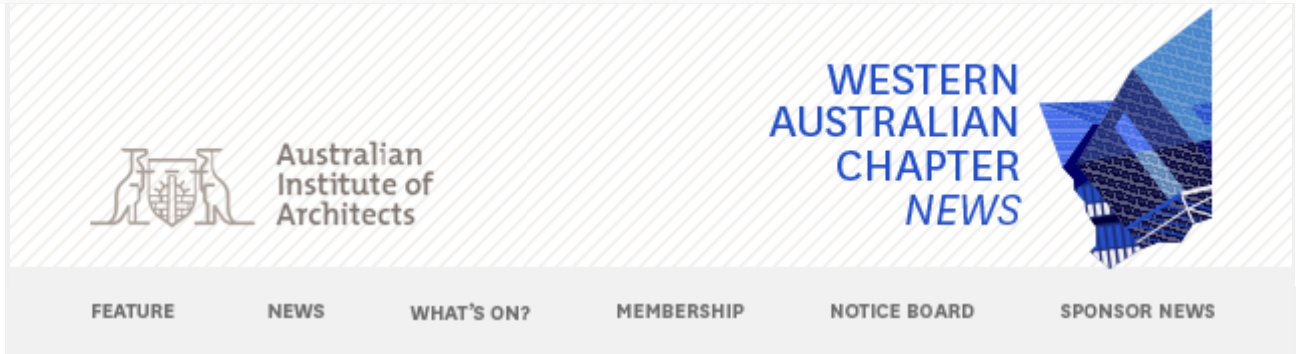


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### *From the CEO*



I know I don't need to remind you that there is just under two weeks until the election. But before you head for the polling booths, I can advise that the Institute has been surveying the major parties on the key issues relevant to the profession. In next week's e-news we will be publishing the results of the survey sent to Labor, the Coalition and the Greens on the Institute's policy priorities. It is hoped that these results will clarify the various positions on issues relevant to our profession and help inform your decision on election day.

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### *Feature*



### Open House Perth volunteer call out

Open House Perth is back and looking for enthusiastic people who are passionate about our city to help deliver this year's OHP 2013 event.

We are looking for volunteers for the event weekend on 2/3 November to assist with Front-of-House, In-House and Intra-House roles at the 60 plus buildings, studios and other events that will be part of OHP 2013.

Be part of this exciting event and help celebrate architecture and design in Western Australia by volunteering [online!](#)



### 2013 RIBA International Award for Architectural Excellence

JCY Architects and Urban Designers are pleased to announce that they are the recipients of a 2013 RIBA International Award for Architectural Excellence for the Fitzgerald Street Social Housing Development.

Congratulations!

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## News



### Acumen Content Review Panel established

Chapter councils and state practice committees will shortly be asked to provide nominations to the newly-formed Acumen Content Review Panel after National Council approved the formation of this group at its recent meeting. Based on a recommendation by the Acumen Content Review Group, the Review Panel, comprising five member representatives, will provide advice to the Institute on appropriate Acumen content.

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### **Kings Square Architectural Design Competition**

This competition, which is endorsed by the Australian Institute of Architects, is for the design of new buildings comprising, civic chamber, offices, library and visitor centre for the City of Fremantle and for the urban design of Kings Square in which the buildings will sit.

The development will be part of the City's Kings Square Project that is being conducted under an agreement with Sirona Capital, in which particular requirements for the design, staging and funding are to be accommodated.

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## *What's on*



*Spirit of Place - Student tickets reduced!*

**Thu 5 - Sat 7 Sep**

SONA members - \$80

Student non-members - \$100

The inaugural Queensland regional conference looks at the unique opportunities commonly available to architects practising regionally, responding to the unique 'Spirit of Place'.

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*Kevin Mark Low - Buy one ticket, bring a friend for free!*

Following his role as a keynote speaker for Spirit of Place in Cairns, Kevin Low will be touring nationally as the next

International Speaker Series.

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*National Architecture Awards 2013*

**Thu 7 Nov**

Sydney Opera House  
The National Architecture Awards recognise and celebrate outstanding achievements and excellence in architecture. Join us for the unforgettable night-of-nights of the Australian architecture profession. Tickets

on sale soon!

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*Colorbond Steel Student Biennale*



*Neville Quarry Architectural Education Prize*



*The William J Mitchell International Committee Prize*

Stage One entries are now open for the Biennale, now in its 25th year, which represents the profession's recognition of quality in design by students of architecture.

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Entries are [now open](#) for the 2014 Neville Quarry Architectural Education Prize, which recognises the significance of architectural education in the promotion and improvement of the built environment.

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The William J Mitchell International Committee Prize is awarded annually in recognition of a significant contribution to architecture internationally. Entries close 5 Sept.

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### Grand Designs - An Evening with Kevin McCloud

In this premiere two hour event Kevin McCloud will look back on the architectural and human stories that have most fascinated him over his long involvement with the show; examining the challenges and pitfalls of designing and building your dream home.

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### DIA Awards 2013

DIA Awards submissions open Monday Monday 26 to Friday 30 August (4.00pm close)

Silver Thomas Hanley  
Suite 89, City West Centre  
102 Railway Parade, West Perth  
(entry via laneway off Plaistowe Mews)

Entry Criteria & Forms available [here](#)

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### HR Plus

HR Plus is an architectural human resources and industrial relations information service that gives A+ members and Graduate members access to expert advice. In addition, Wentworth Advantage provides informative articles for our members. These are published on Acumen. This month [Crackdown on bullying - new law.](#)

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### Your blueprint for green

Knauf is excited to announce the certification of ten of its major plasterboard products to GreenRate Level A by Global GreenTag. This enables the most efficient and affordable design of systems for any sustainable building project.

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### 2013 WoodSolutions Timber Study Tour

Germany, Austria, Switzerland - a week of inspiration, information and fun in December for only \$3850\*. Join other industry professionals to visit landmark projects and meet some of the people behind them. Institute members receive a 10% discount for bookings prior to 31 Aug.

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### High tech roof helps Aussie team win

A prototype high-tech solar roof has helped a team of students from the Illawarra region win an international competition to build the most energy efficient house. Team UOW Australia won the Solar Decathlon China 2013 competition.

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