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2013041039 Mater Hyde Park Consulting Suites: Stephen de Jersey Architect

Located comfortably within an existing hospital campus, this building contributes to the suite of buildings and vocabulary of the precinct. A clearly thought building that is clearly thought through, as well as being suitably flexible and robust – well suited to the rigours of a regional hospital. It is pleasing to see architecture of this calibre being produced regionally.

2013041181 TYTO Cultural Precinct: lahznimmo architects + architects north

The Cultural precinct is the third project in the Tyto master plan that makes the ambitious gesture to connect with the town centre of Ingham. Although obscuring the wetlands beyond the two buildings, the plan invites the public directly into its generous covered area that serves as a common foyer for the two buildings and a welcoming and shaded space.

The planning makes for interesting spaces on the edge of a pedestrian street and the resulting internal spaces, particularly the community library are open and engaging. The refined detailing of materials and forms that reference the cane region give the buildings a civic expression for the Ingham context.

2013041524 JCU Eddie Koiki Mabo Library Townsville: Brewster Hjorth Architects

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An onerous and challenging commission - the Birrel library is one of Australia's most significant university buildings of its era as well one of the Queensland's most important buildings. The found interior space had become cluttered and out of date and required a careful conceptual and strategic reconsideration to ensure that it was serving its users and

the university in a more contemporary way. Using some of the language of the building, The designers have endeavoured to create an environment that is in keeping with the building form as well as resolving some complex servicing issues.

2013041873 3rd Battalion The Royal Australian Regiment (RAR) Precinct Lavarack Barracks Townsville: BVN Donovan Hill in association with Conrad Gargett Riddel

A continuation and development of the architecture of this important defence project, the architects have created a robust urban plan and architectural language and approach that is well suited to the climate and the defence force. A clearly thought through design strategy and parti has resulted in buildings that will stand the test of time and are pleasant to use. Logical orientation, good light management and air flow opportunities have resulted in workplaces that demonstrate best practice. A competent result from a competent design team.

2013042607 Mater Pimlico Training Facility: Stephen de Jersey Architect

Stephen De Jersey Architects have anchored the corner of this site with a new building that responds and contributes to the vernacular of the Mater hospital. Using a modest budget wisely the project team have delivered a building that is efficient and carefully considered with the ability to provide more space at a later stage. Through a clear understanding of the dynamics of the hospital campus as well as the adjacent buildings this building extends its influence beyond its own site to enhance the sense of legibility of the campus.

2013043369 Caneland Central Shopping Centre: Lend Lease Design

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The Canelands shopping centre in MacKay represents a successful transformation and reimaging of a regional shopping Centre in a regional centre. Referencing local built form, materiality as well a clever use of natural light the interiors are light, bright and inventive. Exceptional energy savings and a real connectivity to the riverside park, this building has made a substantial contribution to the city. Terrific artwork completes the storey.

2013046915 Cloncurry Community Precinct: RPA Architects

The brief for this project is a story of contemporary regional Queensland, which has generated a major rejuvenation of a shire hall and council chambers for an iconic town. It reflected the council's vision to provide a landmark facility for its district that reflects the ambition of its population.

RPA have resolved an extensive and complex brief by providing a series of spaces that are effective for their purpose and complement each other so that the whole complex can work together as a community destination.

Importantly the buildings respond to the significant existing chambers and hall and are considered in dealing with the harsh local climate.

2013047310 New Shire Offices Flinders Shire Council Hughenden: Tippett Schrock Architects

The rebuilding of the shire offices incorporates a Health and Aged Care Centre and consolidates the operations of the Flinders Shire Council whilst also acting as an emergency shelter. A lightweight steel framing system is used in the structure, floor and walls to mimic the predominant elevated single storey building stock in Hughenden and to deal with the uniquely reactive soil substrate.

The planning of the building addresses the function and aspect of its various uses. A variety of contemporary lightweight and durable materials are composed to create a pleasing streetscape and presence in the town.

2013047776 Bwgcolman Palm Island Children and Family Centre: Project Services – Department of Housing and Public Works QLD Gov.

The Bwgcolman Palm Island Children and Family Centre is a great example of how Architects and architecture can contribute to a process beyond a role as designer and manager.

Designed and built in a cultural, political and budgetary context which had significant challenges, it was determined through considered research and local knowledge that a modular building system should be used. This approach not only responded to the remoteness but also the tropical climate and site conditions.

The project and its community required extensive consultation with the numerous stakeholder groups moved the architects beyond their traditional role as designers and

become advocates and facilitators. The collaboration with a well respected local artist has allowed the building to be well respected and highly valued by its community.

This modest but important community teaching and caring space is a well resolved solution to a range of demands. More importantly, it is a great example of the complexity of the demands architects confront, with what may be considered a simple brief. It is also a reminder of significance of the contribution of the profession can bring to our clients and community beyond design skills.

2013048830 Flinders Street Revitalisation: Cox Rayner Architects

The revitalisation of Flinders Street in Townsville demonstrates a close, sustained, committed, collaboration between all of the participants – from Architect, Landscape architects, graphic designers, engineers, builders and client stakeholders. The total project has been carefully crafted – from the overall master plan through to the bespoke detailing and consistent custom design elements. This has resulted in an overall streetscape made of a specific moments that heighten the sense of place and movement through space in this important regional city. It is apparent that the Flinders Street Revitalisation Project has been borne out of adversity and is a testament to the leadership of all of the participants and the determination of the stakeholders to achieve a transformational outcome.

Regional Commendations:

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Walter and Oliver Tunbridge Award for Building of the Year

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