



From the CEO



I hope you have all had a good start to the year. For the Institute, 2014 begins on a positive note, with fantastic new premises for our Melbourne-based operations and our NT Chapter. In Victoria, 41 Exhibition St was purchased by the Institute in 1996 and housed the Institute's Melbourne offices until the end of 2011. Two years ago, construction began on the site and launched the largest capital works project the organisation has ever undertaken.

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Feature



2014 National Architecture Awards

Entries are now open in all chapters for the 2014 National Architecture Awards. To enter the awards click [here](#), where you should find all the information and supporting documents you need to submit your entry.

This year there are a number of changes to awards categories, which are a result of a review into the awards categories by the Awards Categories Working Group. The group included National President Paul Berkemeier, Immediate Past President Shelley Penn and four Institute members. The group consulted with chapters, 2013 awards jurors and issued an open comment to all members. It is expected that the group will continue its work until July to review the awards categories in depth and consider further changes to be implemented in the 2015 Awards. The key changes to the 2014 Awards Policy can be found [here](#).

What's on



Waterproofing in Buildings- Preventing leaks and law suits by design

Presented by: Ross Taylor, Building Repair and Waterproofing Consultant (Ross Taylor and Associates), this interactive seminar looks at the legal exposure of architects to the increasing problem of water related defects in new buildings.

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2014 Australian Achievement in Architecture Awards

Thu 20 Mar, Tasmania

Join us at the beautiful Peppermint Bay in Tasmania for the 2014 Australian Achievement in Architecture Awards which recognise and honour the accomplishments of individuals who contribute to society through architecture and the built environment. Tickets on sale soon!

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Making 2014

Book now for a 20% early bird discount (until 6 March). Also, the earlier you book the more you will also save on flights and accommodation. We have a number of hotels available at a special rate for delegates and we're tweeting any specials we come across too (#making2014).

Bringing the kids?

We are looking into design workshops to entertain the kids while you're at the conference. If you think this is something you'd be interested in please let us know via

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News



Volunteer in Venice

Applications close Tue 31 Jan

Don't miss your chance to be a part of the world's largest gathering of architecture. If you are interested in assisting in Venice, now is your opportunity. For more information on volunteering please [click here](#). To apply for a volunteer position, please complete the [online form](#).



Inspire 2013

Inspire 2013 is now available to buy from [Architext](#). This is the fourth in the ten-volume series that presents an unfolding, inspirational visual survey of the Institute's Awards from 2010 to 2019, charting the best in peer-reviewed Australian architecture through the course of a decade.

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2014 Dulux Colour Awards

The 2014 Dulux Colour Awards are now open, welcoming architects, designers, specifiers and students to showcase their creative use of colour in both residential and commercial design.

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Bondor's InsuLiving Home Delivers 'Real Life' 9.5 Star Energy Rating

One year after an Aussie family of four moved in, Bondor's InsuLiving™ prototype house has passed the human test with flying colours, achieving an incredible 9.5 star 'real life' energy rating. Built by Bondor to showcase its InsuWall® and SolarSpan® thermal building products, the stylish home in Burpengary QLD originally achieved an 8-star 'as designed' energy rating, easily surpassing the Australian Building Code's current minimum of six stars.

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AWS Designer Notes - Rosebud Home

This sleek, architecturally designed home is located in Rosebud, a seaside town on the Mornington Peninsula, Victoria. The project started out as a replacement building for fibro shack, which has grown into an architecturally inspired, carefully designed home. James Goodlet of Altereco Design was chosen to ensure the clients dream home came to life. Watch the video [here](#).

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