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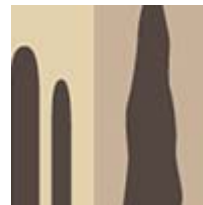


Welcome to the inaugural issue of the Institute's new look weekly e-newsletter which you will receive every Monday. The Institute is making some changes to the way it communicates with

members. This is a process that began a couple of months ago with the launch of [our new website](#), and now continues with a new approach to our e-communications. The Institute is streamlining its emails, decreasing the amount we send and reducing instances of doubling up and inbox clutter.

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From the Chapter



This week the Small Chapter Committee hosted a lunch with Ken Hungerford and Natalie Watson of ACT Metropolitan Certifiers talking to the new requirements for BA documentation for class

1 and 10 residential buildings. In particular they clarified the requirements and highlighted the problems with the current cottage construction in the ACT. The general feeling ranged from indignation to pragmatic acceptance of the new requirements whilst most conceding that the new measures will do little to improve the quality of residential buildings, although, value in sharpening up the standard of documentation submitted to certifiers for Building approval.

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Feature



Spirit of Place - Speaker Profile: Hua Li

Doing architecture, we are anticipating the future, but with our memory ... architecture belongs to a time, but it can also go beyond its time.

Architecture without style - Hua Li.

Hua Li is Principal at Trace Architecture Office (TAO), a practice he founded in 2009 in Beijing ...

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News

#SCRAP the CAP



Scrap the Cap

On Friday, the government announced that it was postponing the introduction of the proposed \$2000 per annum cap on tax deductions for work-related education expenses until 2015. The Institute has aligned with Scrap the Cap, an alliance of over 70 organisations, and will continue to lobby against its introduction.

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Women dominating the tradie scene

Canberra's all-female tradie group: bricklayer Susie Walsh, landscape and construction estimator Verity Alexandra, hydraulic consultant Rebecca Sweeting, structural consultant Kayleigh McNabb, project manager Gabrielle Ruiz and architect Cassandra Keller.

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Shared Services Procurement

The quarterly Shared Services Procurement Roundtable is an opportunity for Institute members to discuss a range of issues regarding ACT Government procurement practices and issues with key senior SSP representatives. David Clarke has been representing the Chapter on this Roundtable for some years, and is looking to broaden the attendance profile. If you have issues to raise and/or an interest in government procurement strategies, please contact David at dclarke@clarkekeller.com.au to arrange attendance.

Thursday 22 Aug at 2pm

Level 2 Annex Large Meeting Room

Venice 2014 - Call To Enter: Contemporary Unbuilt Projects

The Australian exhibition for next year's Venice Architecture Biennale is *Augmented Australia 1914-2014* by creative team felix._Giles_Anderson+Goad. Twenty-one unrealised Australian projects will be brought to life through 3D augmented models, images, voiceovers and animations. [Submit your unbuilt project](#) and be a part of Augmented Australia and the 2014 Biennale.

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What's on



Solar House Day

Solar House Day Lecture and Expo

How to build a climate appropriate house in Canberra

'Lessons from the past – information for the future'

Wed 14 Aug, 5pm-7.30pm

National Library of Australia

Speaker: Andreas Luzzi - LAROS

TECHNOLOGIES

FREE EVENT (Drinks and nibbles provided)

RSVP to act@architecture.com.au

Solar House Day tour

Come join us on a bus tour to view our region's best climate appropriate energy-efficient homes from the past to the present"

Sunday 18 August 2013 8.45 for 9am-12noon (lunch) 1pm-5pm

LAROS Technologies 2/5 Bodalla Pl, Canberra ACT 2609

URBAN STOPS

1. Thorn Place, Jigsaw Housing/Curtin
2. Wootton House, TT Architecture /Chifley
3. Wakool house, Trevor Lee Architect/Fadden

RURAL STOPS

1. Flannery House, Rob Henry, Philip Leeson Architect /Wamboin
2. Box House, Rob Henry Architect/Wamboin
3. Stone House, Strine Design/Bungendore
4. Bywong House, Jigsaw Housing/Bywong

Click here to register for the full day

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City To Lake Forum

Wednesday 7 August 5pm-7.30pm

ACT Chapter, 2A Mugga Way, Red Hill

Presented by Ian Wood-Bradley

City to the Lake is a transformational project being developed within the City Plan



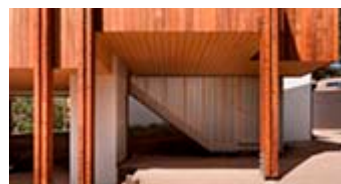
Lunchbox Session 2: Certification Hotspots

Wednesday 14 August, 12.30-1.30

ACT Chapter

Speakers: John Mihaljevic from Certified Building Solutions and Dean McPherson from AMC Projects

Let's cut through the red tape



2013 Contemporary Australian Architects Speaker Series

Wednesdays 4-25 September doors 5.30pm for a 6pm start

National Gallery of Australia, James O Fairfax Theatre

4 Sep - Glenn Murcutt

11 Sep - Clare Cousins, Clare Cousins Architects

18 Sep - Peter Maddison, Maddison

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and review the most common non compliances on projects and traps for young players from the perspective of a Building Certifier and Architect. RSVP toact@architecture.com.au

Architects
25 Sep - Renato D'Ettorre, Renato D'Ettorre
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Foundations

Dreaming of starting your own practice? Learn what it takes to get out of the clouds and into the director's chair. Seminar followed by a panel discussion and networking drinks. Learn *who* should start their own practice and get some tips for doing it right. [Limited spaces – book now!](#)



Dulux Study Tour 2014

The Dulux Study Tour is now in its seventh year and we are again inviting architectural professionals to submit entries for 2014.

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2015 National Architecture Conference – Call for Creative Director

The Institute is now seeking expressions of interest for the role of the Creative Director for the 2015 National Architecture Conference.

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Kevin Mark Low – International Speaker Series

Following on from his role as a keynote speaker for the 2013 regional conference *Spirit of Place* in Cairns, [Kevin Low will be touring nationally](#) as the next face of the renowned International Speaker Series.



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Grand Designs Australia

Grand Designs Australia is seeking projects for the

Marion Mahony Griffin Lecture 2013

Thu 15 Aug 2013 at 6pm

Symposium: Griffins' Canberra-100 years

Fri 16 Aug 2013, 12.45pm –

forthcoming series. The project must be a complete build, not a renovation or restoration. [Contact Emma Duncan](#) at Fremantle Media for more information.

The Shine Dome, Australian Academy of Science, Gordon Street
Speaker Caroline Pidcock
[Click here](#) to book.

4.30pm
The Shine Dome, Australian Academy of Science, Gordon Street
[Click here](#) to book.

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Knauf calling for an end to noisy restaurants

The Dine Hear campaign is encouraging restaurant-goers to nominate a favourite restaurant that can sometimes be just that little bit too noisy.

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Double Gym Built in Double-Time with Bondor

A new double gymnasium building at St Michael's College at the Adelaide Suburb of Henley Beach is reaping the benefits of Bondor Equitilt® architectural panels.

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