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VISIONEER BUILDERS WINS HIA VICTORIAN HOME OF THE YEAR

Visioneer Builders has been awarded one of the housing industry's highest recognitions, as HIA-CSR Victorian Home of the Year for its Middle Park Renovation/ Addition Project.

The winner was announced at the HIA-CSR Victorian Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Awards at Crown Towers before a crowd of hundreds of industry leaders.

Judged by industry professionals, the awards acknowledge the talent of designers, builders and building companies who plan and construct quality new housing and apartments, renovations and outdoor projects.

This imposing three storey residence, formerly three apartments, has been transformed into a gracious home and entertainment space.

With a second-storey observatory and rear pavilion, the luxurious renovation and addition acknowledges the home's history while incorporating every modern amenity.

Custom cream brick and dark-stained walls have been introduced to the imposing rear aspect of the home.

The street façade has been extensively restored to its former art deco grandeur, allowing this home to blend into its surroundings and match the feel of the neighbourhood.

With full home automation and extensive use of custom steel, timbers and stone, this 900m² home is at the cutting edge of technology and design.

The judges commented that "every room and space within the home had a wow factor" and "we actually wanted to clap and cheer in every room".

They also noted that the 'brilliant' quality of workmanship. "The builders' attention to detail was exceptional. The joinery was second to none. The execution was perfect".

HIA Victorian Executive Director Gil King congratulated the winners. "In a year where building activity in Victoria has come 'off the boil', it's wonderful to see that our builders are maintaining the very high standards we have come to expect", Mr King said.

"Victorian builders are first class in the design, workmanship and quality of new homes and renovations. HIA is delighted with the exceptional quality of entries this year. All winners and finalists should be proud to have reached the pinnacle of building standards demonstrated in these quality homes," he said.

"In an environment of uncertainty about the economic and regulatory future, our builders and designers have put these difficulties behind them and forged ahead with outstanding concepts, design, construction and finishings," said Mr King.

"It can be very easy to be distracted by the negatives, however it is evident from this year's entries our members have focussed on quality processes, outcomes and delivery", he added.

A full list of winners from the awards' night, held on November 9, is below.

Visioneer Builders will go on to compete against other Renovation/ Addition Projects from around the country at the 2013 HIA Australian Housing Awards, to be held in May in Brisbane.

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2012 HIA CSR Victorian Housing and Kitchen & Bathroom Award Winners		
CATEGORY	BUILDERS NAME	PROJECT
CUSTOM BUILT HOME		
Up to \$350,000	Monte Homes	Lalor
\$350,001 - \$500,000	Latitude 37 Homes	Aspendale
\$500,001 - \$700,000	Latitude 37 Homes	Ivanhoe East
\$700,001 - \$1 million	Excelcon Pty Ltd	Berwick
\$1 million - \$2 million	Visioneer Builders	Hawthorn
Over \$2 million	R & R Quality Homes	Bathumi
Overall Custom Built Home of the Year	R & R Quality Homes	Bathumi
DISPLAY HOME		
Up to \$250,000	MainVue Homes	Ivory IV432 in Point Cook
\$250,001 - \$300,000	Carlisle Homes	Orlando 35 in Epping
\$300,001 - \$350,000	Carlisle Homes	Vetra 47 in Clyde North
\$350,001 - \$500,000	Porter Davis Homes	Rochford 40 in Cranbourne
\$500,001 - \$800,000	Metrickon Homes	Hadley 39 in Clyde North
\$800,001 - \$1 million	Lockstar Homes	The Pisces in Mildura
Over \$1 million	Englehart Homes	La Provence in Balwyn Nth
Overall Display Home of the Year	Englehart Homes	La Provence in Balwyn Nth
Herald Sun home Magazine Readers Choice Award	Englehart Homes	La Provence in Balwyn Nth
RENOVATION / ADDITION PROJECT		
Up to \$300,000	Visual Builders Pty Ltd	Flemington
\$300,001 - \$500,000	Art Nouveau Homes	Hawthorn East
\$500,001 - \$700,000	Foy Construction	Carlton
\$700,001 - \$1 Million	S.D. Davies Builders	Malvern
Over \$1 Million	Visioneer Builders	Middle Park
Overall Renovation/ Addition Project of the Year	Visioneer Builders	Middle Park



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PROJECT HOME		
Up to \$400,000	J & J Carroll Builders – Hotondo Homes	Thurgoona
Over \$400,001	Canny Pty Ltd	Malvern
Overall Project Home of the Year	Canny Pty Ltd	Malvern
SPEC HOME		
Up to \$400,000	Vautier Developments Pty Ltd	Ocean Grove
Over \$400,001	Tucker Construction Company	Balwyn
Overall Spec Home of the Year	Tucker Construction Company	Balwyn
TOWNHOUSE VILLA DEVELOPMENT		
2 – 6 Dwellings	Glenneagles Homes Pty Ltd	Malvern
Over 6 Dwellings	Latitude 37 Homes	Pakenham
Overall Townhouse Villa Development of the Year	Glenneagles Homes Pty Ltd	Malvern
APARTMENT PROJECT		
	Central Equity Limited	Melbourne
PROFESSIONAL BUILDER AWARDS		
Small Builder/ Renovator	Hallbury Homes	
Medium Builder/ Renovator	Comdain Homes Pty Ltd	
Major Builder	Porter Davis Homes	
RESIDENTIAL BUILDING DESIGNER		
	First Impressions Projects Pty Ltd	
GREENSMART ENERGY EFFICIENCY		
	Genjusho Building - Design	Caulfield South
OUTDOOR PROJECT		
	Giovanni Mangano	Prahran East



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SMALL COMMERCIAL PROJECT (under \$2 Million)	Conscious Homes Australia Pty Ltd	Warranwood
SPECIAL PURPOSE HOUSING	Beleura Retirement Village	Mornington
CUSTOMER SERVICE	Boutique Homes	
MARKETING	Reuben Beazley Builder	
BUSINESS PARTNER OF THE YEAR	Kate Newman of Todd Newman Builders	
ALEC FULLER APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR	Beau Holloway	
KITCHEN PROJECTS		
NEW KITCHEN		
Up to \$25,000	Flair Cabinets	Albury
\$25,001 - \$40,000	Devlin Interiors	Coburg
Over \$40,001	Englehart Homes	Balwyn North
RENOVATED KITCHEN		
Up to \$25,000	Flair Cabinets	Rutherglen
\$25,001 - \$40,000	Mint Kitchens by Lifestyle	Vermont South
Over \$40,001	Individual Design & Construction	Eltham
Overall Kitchen Project of the Year	Individual Design & Construction	Eltham
BATHROOM PROJECTS		
NEW BATHROOM	Jasmine McClelland Design & Hometec Industries	Mentone
RENOVATED BATHROOM		
Up to \$40,000	Bubbles Bathrooms	Prahran
Over \$40,001	Bubbles Bathrooms	Prahran
Overall Bathroom Project of the Year	Jasmine McClelland Design & Hometec Industries	Mentone



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KITCHEN DESIGN	Royston Wilson of Royston Wilson Design	Toorak
BATHROOM DESIGN	Royston Wilson of Royston Wilson Design	Toorak
KITCHEN IN A DISPLAY HOME, HOME UP TO \$500,000	Carlisle Homes	Regency 47 in Clyde North
KITCHEN IN A DISPLAY HOME, HOMES OVER \$500,001	Verde Homes Pty Ltd	The Platinum in Camberwell
BATHROOM IN A DISPLAY HOME	Englehart Homes	La Provence in Balwyn North
OUTDOOR KITCHEN	Leongatha Kitchens & Bathrooms	Leongatha
LAUNDRY PROJECT	Individual Design & Construction	Lower Plenty