

The Griffin is a stunning residential development for Parkes in the ACT which includes spacious one, two and three bedroom apartments and penthouses with open-plan living areas, private terraces, elegant kitchens, stylish bathrooms, large podium gardens, indoor pool and sauna, gym, wellness centre and concierge.

Inspired by the holistic design philosophy of Walter Burley Griffin, The Griffin is a residential development like no other. Engaging with its surrounding natural landscape and only minutes to the city, the development is a refreshing architectural delight, that truly envelops the natural surroundings of Canberra.

Amalgamated Property Group began the planning and conceptual phases of The Griffin over five years ago. The site was first acquired in November 2017 and Amalgamated Property Group listed the luxury residences on the market in late 2019, with more than 95% sold by the end 2021. By May 2022, well before the construction process was complete, it had completely sold out. Unlike other mainstream developments, The Griffin is unique in the fact it is the first residential development to be built inside the Parliamentary Triangle, meaning it is blessed with extremely unique location features that have never been seen before. With 254 luxury apartments and penthouses across three buildings, each 8-levels, a mix of one, two or three bedrooms, up to 278m2 and over 50 plan types, The Griffin caters for all demographics. The site also encompasses an underpass to the park and the lake, creating three minute access to the water's edge and a stunning pathway rejuvenation, the entire Canberra community can enjoy.

In addition, there are also six retail units on the ground floor, facing Constitution Avenue and the heritage-listed Pavilion building, which is being repurposed into a premium dining destination. At The Griffin, every unit feels like a penthouse as the standard inclusions are of the utmost quality, and include engineered timber flooring, ducted heating and cooling, meticulously considered colour schemes, 30mm stone bench tops, internally ducted range hoods and bespoke joinery features that give the apartment interiors a luxurious and sumptuous feel.

In addition, in keeping with the principles and values of Amalgamated Property Group, the floor plans are efficient for liveability and energy consumption, designed to minimise wasted space, yet maximise natural light, storage and usable spaces. Michael D'Elboux, Development Manager, has been involved on The Griffin since conception and is passionate about its success, for both home owners and the community as a whole.

"The Griffin is a new addition to the prestigious and much loved 'Parliamentary Triangle', so throughout the development, we've ensured the project will stand the test of time, regarding both the design and aesthetics of the building," explained Michael.

"Every building enjoys views of something special, be it Lake Burley Griffin, Commonwealth Park, Mount Ainslie, the Brindabella's, Black Mountain Tower or the large podium gardens. It's also in a highly connected location, meaning commuting for work, education or social events, can be done so with ease"

"With respect to the Pavilion and The Griffin, we needed to ensure a successful harmony between old and new, particularly given the significance of the Pavilion in regards to Canberra's early history. The unique result is a brand-new premium development, in a 60-year old landscape setting," explained Michael.

Operating akin to a family, Amalgamated Property Group has fostered a work environment that enables precision and agility, giving buyers both reassurance and confidence. With numerous other projects in the pipeline, such as the prestigious development of ANZAC Park East on ANZAC Parade, Amalgamated Property Group continue to deliver outstanding products to the property development industry, time and time again.

Boasting a team of honest, approachable perfectionists, who go above and beyond on every project they work on, as well as 40 years of industry experience by their founder, Graham Potts, Amalgamated Property Group take pride in being accountable at every step of the design and construction processes. Furthermore, their level of care and commitment to quality extends deep within their team and processes. As a result, they've implemented an internal structure and unique approach to the development cycle, leading to consistent, reliable results and a lowly-geared balance sheet.

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With 70 employees and more than 20 years experience, Pacific Stone is a company that knows and understands the stone, tiling and waterproofing industry inside out.

Specialising in the supply of stone bench tops, Ceasarstone, Quantum Quartz, Essa Stone, Sile Stone, marble and sandstone throughout the Canberra region, Pacific Stone are at the forefront of smart and renewable manufacturing and are able to handle a variety of projects, ranging from small, domestic installations through to large-scale, residential or commercial projects.

As a result of their renowned reputation and their team of highly experienced and astute stone masons and tilers, Pacific Stone also recently worked on The Griffin. Consisting of 254 units, shared between three buildings, over eight residential levels, the team of 10 were responsible for the supply and installation of milestone kitchen bench tops, splash backs and all of the bathroom vanity tops.

Throughout the extensive installation process, a range of new materials and colours were supplied and utilised by Pacific Stone. Using Cosentino Silestone, 30mm, and three unique colour combinations, including Calcutta Gold, Pearl Jasmine and Charcoal Soap, the team worked quickly and efficiently to ensure the installation of both the bench and vanity tops was completed in a time and cost-effective manner, and that the outcome was one of excellence and first class quality.

In addition, the penthouse apartment (made up of two traditional units) included a range of new stone products. Some of these were the Quantam Quartz Carrara Quartz kitchen, laundry and pantry, as well as Pantheon and Rosso Lavendo Marble used throughout the bathrooms. A Scheme Grande Max Capraia Marble porcelain was also used for the kitchen's splash back, which once complete, created an outstanding and unique finished product.

The Pacific Stone team were also responsible for the installation of several stone features throughout the Lobby and the Omega Black Quartzite Leather finish, on the landing of the main entry stairwell in the foyer. Finally, eight columns, made from Chambered Grey Limestone, within the building's lobby,

were additional stand-out features the team

Understanding the importance of quality installation as part of the building or renovation process, Pacific Stone worked closely together with Chase Group throughout the project, to ensure there were minimal challenges or disruptions throughout and that the job was completed in their usual professional manner. In addition, their close relationship with stone and tile suppliers means that despite the extensiveness of The Griffin project, their top quality products were delivered in a timely manner, without delays or issues. Furthermore, their attention to detail across the work they completed resulted in outstanding workmanship and a formidable finished product.

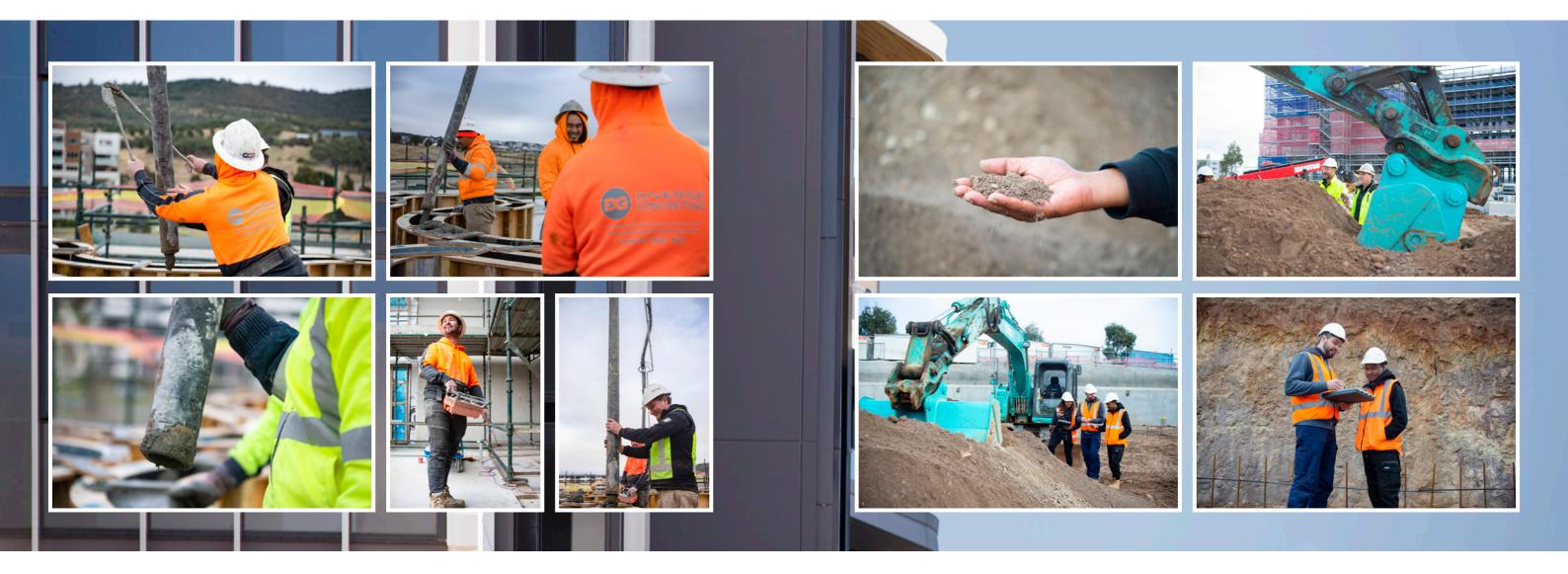
Given the fact each project differs from the next and has its' own unique sets of challenges, Pacific Stone advise the best possible way to undertake the job, ensuring a tailored, quality result that gives any project they complete an edge over their competitors.

Currently working on the installation of both kitchens and bathrooms for DKSN Tiling Package and the installation of the kitchen and bathroom tiles, on the Huntington Waterfront Residential Apartments in Newcastle, Pacific Stone continues to forge their path in the industry as one of the nation's go-to suppliers for all kitchen bench top and bathroom vanity needs and products.

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Below Diverse Concreting completed the structural concrete pumping, placing and finishing all of the concrete on the project.



With more than 20 years of experience, Diverse Concreting is Canberra's premiere provider of concrete pumping and concreting services. With their strong knowledge of concrete pumping, placing and finishing, as well as rectification, clean-up and project closure, their extensive services were recently used for The Griffin Parkes residential project in Canberra.

With an astute team of 20, Diverse Concreting was responsible for the installation and completion of the structural concrete pumping, placing and finishing all of the concrete, as well as a range of landscaping works for the project.

Diverse Concreting undertook larger than normal pour sizes, drawing on their expertise within the industry, the team were able to handle the load, with minimal patching and fixing required, maintaining compliance with health and safety and upholding their commitment to safe environmental practices.

Tony Sergi, General Manager of Diverse Concreting, said that their standards of work are always above and beyond other commercial Pump, Place and Finish companies, both in Canberra and interstate. "We stand out from our competitors on every level, from management of our staff, through to how we conduct our daily operations, the service and maintenance of our gear and finally, to our post pour servicing and rectification," Tony said. "We have processes in place for all aspects of pumping, placing and finishing concrete and our clients are never left with any issues that were associated with the project before commencing work."

Diverse Concreting also have the ability to run multiple projects, regardless of associated project challenges, including geographical location and human resources availability, and their highly experienced team ensures that the best quality workmanship is delivered time and time again.

Currently working on a range of projects, such as the Canberra Hospital expansion project, (Multiplex) and Molonglo Falls and Del Ray (Chase), Diverse Concreting continue to bring their expert team and know-how to every job.

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Given their comprehensive 28 years of experience and understanding of the engineering industry, ACT Geotechnical Engineers have earned a solid reputation within the Australian construction industry. Providing a range of engineering solutions that benefit residential, commercial and industrial developments, they were recently involved on The Griffin, Parkes, residential development.

Throughout the various stages of development, a small team was responsible for the geotechnical investigation of the site, prior to construction, as well as various inspections and certification of piles and footings of the building during the construction phase.

Jeremy Murray, Director and Senior Geotechnical Engineer, said the geotechnical investigation on The Griffin, Parkes, project comprised drilling deep cored boreholes across the site, which enabled them to develop a comprehensive geotechnical model.

"We were able to use the geotechnical model to provide accurate geotechnical parameters that would allow optimal design for structural aspects of the project, including footings, shoring walls, excavation costs, and dewatering. This allowed the builder to have a smooth earthworks operation and save time and money on substructure design and excavation.

"ACT Geotech were also responsible for supervising and certifying substructure elements during construction and were able to provide quick, accurate, and practical recommendations to any issues that arose during the earthworks phase of the project," Jeremy explained.

Given ACT Geotech's vast experience of similar projects in Canberra, as well as an astute team of 13 geotechnical engineers and engineering geologists, they have the largest and most experienced geotechnical consultancy in the ACT and southern New South Wales, as well as having a Sydney office to service the Sydney metro area. This allows them to service their clients needs in a timely and professional manner, swiftly dealing with any geotechnical issues that arise, to ensure the smooth-running operation of any project. "Our role is to not just tick boxes, but to actually give advice that is practical, efficient, and cost-effective for any project," Jeremy said.

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Family owned and operated since 2008, JSC Concreting is a Canberra-based company, with a plethora of experience and 'can-do' attitude. Renowned throughout the ACT for their excellent service and quality assurance, JSC specialises in concrete pavements, including kerb and gutters. They also provide concrete slabs, driveways, paths, vehicle entries and cross overs, and their specialist equipment provide the logistical back-up every project deserves.

Recently involved on The Griffin Parkes project, the team from JSC provided all of the external concrete works, such as concrete pavements, in and around the building.

"Our job at The Griffin ran really smoothly for two reasons," explained Josh Small, Company Director. "Firstly, we do this type of work on a daily basis and have a plethora of experience and secondly, we have a reliable team of staff that are always capable of the work, no matter how big or small the project size."

In fact, due to the extensive growth of the company, JSC are now able to provide bulk haulage services, with their truck and dogs, as well as earth moving, with a number of bobcats and excavators, ranging from 1.5 to 14 tonne.

With their attention to detail and deliverance of quality services every time, JSC have worked on a range of iconic developments and ACT government projects, and are looking forward to their next challenge.

"It was an absolute pleasure to work alongside Chase Group and have the opportunity to build our ever-growing portfolio on such a prestigious residential development," Josh said. "We're looking forward to continuing our participation in building Canberra's future."

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Central West Waterproofing have over 23 years of extensive industry experience, high quality workmanship, premium products and outstanding customer service. Servicing the Central West of New South Wales, the Hunter region, the Central Coast and the ACT, their professional team are able to service all of your waterproofing needs, ranging from Commercial, Industrial and Civil

Given the fact they tailor their approach to specifically suit a particular project, using only the highest quality products and applications, they were recently involved on The Griffin, Parkes project.

Joseph Harlan, Estimator and Contract Administrator from Central West Waterproofing, said that their team were responsible for the supply and installation of external waterproofing to all areas, ranging from podium slabs, balconies and the roof. "This project was unique in that the three buildings share a single basement and as a result, the entire 3,000m² podium slab had to be waterproofed to avoid leakage," Joseph said.

"It also included all types of waterproofing applications, such as 'spray applied' to the podium, 'liquid applied' to other areas and 'torch applied sheet membranes' to the roof areas," he said.

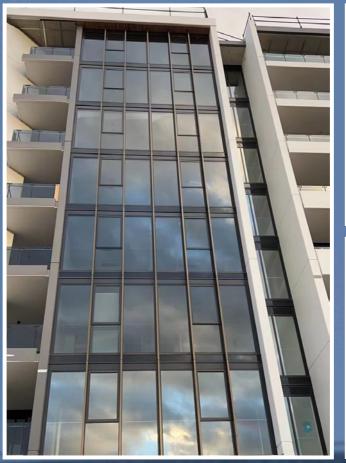
"It all ran smoothly though as Chase Group, not only had a great management system, but also went the extra mile and specifically requested items that increase the lifetime of the waterproofing product applied for the work we undertook," he said.

Taking pride in the professional outcomes Central West Waterproofing deliver across the construction, building and architectural sectors, they have also worked on a range of renowned projects, such as 'W2' from Chase, DKSN Cape Apartments from BLOC, Pacific Cape Residence by Richard Crookes Construction and Oaks Crown Stage Two, from Milin Builders.

With their outstanding reputation and commitment to maintaining the highest quality of work, at a competitive price, Central West Waterproofing are the number one waterproofing solutions provider.

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Formed in 1997, Fire Safety Science provides a comprehensive range of specialised activities, such as Fire Engineering and Building Surveying, to the building and property industry.

Using a performance based building code, Fire Safety Science are continually researching the application of this cutting-edge technology, across all projects they work on. As a result, they provide outstanding customer service and business development skills, initiating new building development opportunities and building on existing facilities.

Given their expertise and know-how within the industry, Fire Safety Science also carried out the fire engineering report, assessment and identification of non-compliance issues associated with The Griffin.

Brian Lucas, (M.App.Sc. Fire Safety Design) Director of Fire Safety Science, said within their extensive fire engineering report, they performed a range of assessments on the residential building.

"Some of these assessments included a report on the buildings fire control systems position, the requirement for smoke doors in residential corridors, an assessment of the basement levels egress distances and the distance between alternative exits in basement levels," Brian explained. "Throughout the thorough assessment process, we also identified a number of non-compliance issues that needed to be remedied."

However, given Fire Safety Science's fundamental understanding of the factors and physical processes that govern the growth and spread of fire, as well as the performance of active and passive fire systems, Brian was able to provide The Chase Group with innovative, cost-effective solutions to ensure fire safety requirements were met.

"There were a total of eight non-compliance issues identified in the Executive Summary, however, with the assistance from ACT Fire and Rescue, these were all resolved and the proposed methodologies I put forward were all approved," Brian said. "As a result, our 'can do' attitude has resulted in the implementation of performance based design and a successful result overall."

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With an emphasis on exemplary product quality and outstanding customer service, SEM Windows are the leading experts in the provision of residential and commercial windows and doors.

SEM Windows' solid management team, who have been together since the company first began, as well as their years of industry expertise, is the reason the company is continuing to grow to meet growing market demands and their ever-expanding clientele.

"We adhere to a 40% product and 60% service rule, so basically, whenever a client calls, we are always first onsite," said Ben Chen, Operations Manager of SEM Windows. "We specialise in both residential and commercial windows and doors, across a broad range of budgets. Some of our products include timber revealed residential windows, subhead and subsill commercial windows, thermally broken systems, shopfronts and curtain walls."

"We also design, manufacture and install aluminium windows and doors across a range of commercial and domestic projects," Ben said.

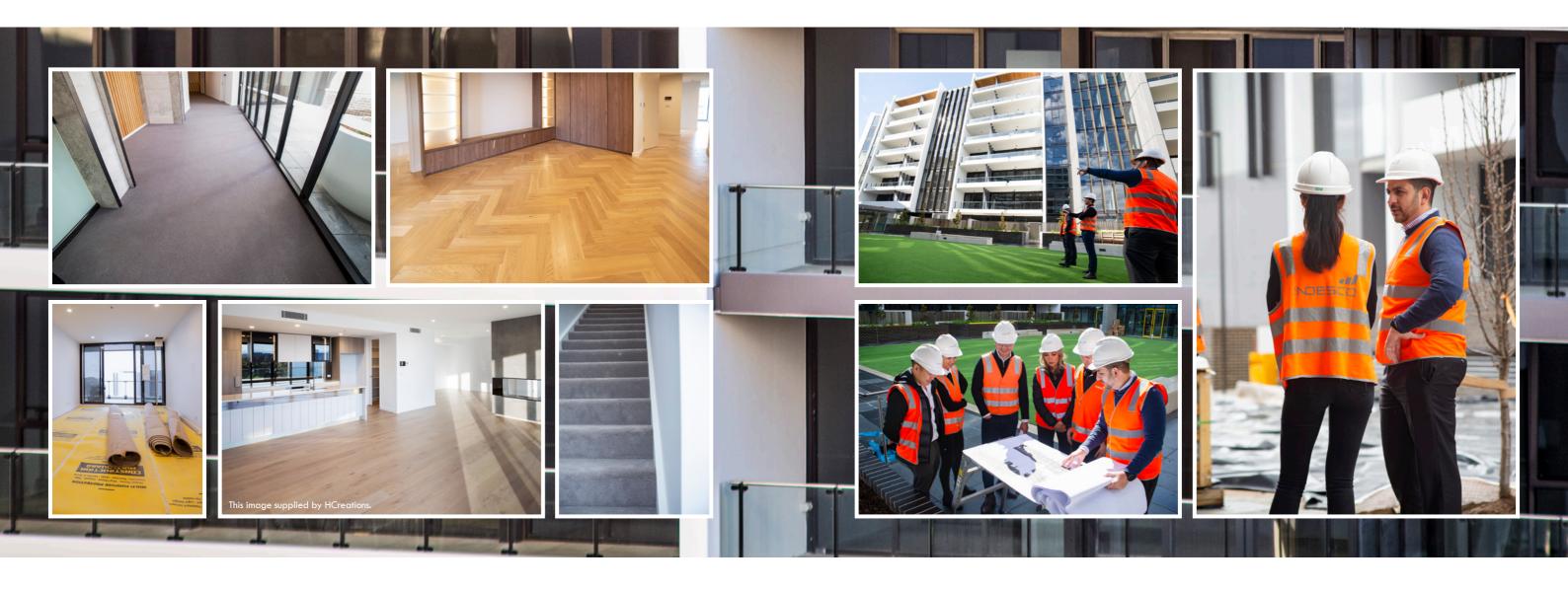
Given their integrity and dependability, SEM Windows were responsible for the glazing of all windows and doors, including all decoration fins and ground floor windows. Redesigning the standard system of typical fins, SEM Windows delivered an architecturally enhanced range for The Griffin at a low cost rate. Additionally, the team fulfilled their extensive responsibilities within the required timeframe, despite the challenges they faced throughout the scope of the project.

"Unfortunately, this project was smack-bang in the middle of COVID, where we faced country-wide lockdowns, shipping import increases and material shortages. Although we had to pay extra for delivery and materials, our positive attitude and commitment to the project meant that we were still able to deliver our services and products on time for CHASE," Ben said.

"Just knowing that we continued to persevere through these hard times for CHASE was enough to see us through and reinforced our strongly held belief that the customer always comes first," Ben concluded.

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Below Morgans Group supplied and installed flooring to all units, corridors and aym for The Griffin.



Since 1977, Morgans Group have been providing solution oriented outcomes to their range of clients, delivering meticulous results and quality assurance. Specialising in commercial flooring supply and installation, post construction cleaning, labour hire, carpet and general office cleaning.

Given their decades of experience in the provision of quality carpet and flooring installation, the Morgan's Group were the ideal company to complete The Griffin. Understanding all flooring needs from the inside out, the Morgans Group were engaged to supply and install flooring to all units, corridors and gym for the project.

The astute team from Morgans Group were able to complete the job in a timely and efficient manner. If challenges arose with product or supply, the team were able to provide solutions quickly with a 'can-do-attitude', to ensure everything ran smoothly. Their strong, long-term relationships with their suppliers, allows Morgan's Group to continually meet any client's projects deadlines and demands.

Morgans Group also completed an initial post construction clean, involving industrial vacuum to all floor area surfaces, extensive dusting and wet dusting of all horizontal surfaces, shelving, cabinetry, fixtures

and fittings, scrub and mop all tired floors, and cleaning of all toilets, showers, and kitchens. Upon conclusion of work from all trades, Morgans Group completed a final 'sparkle' clean, so the property is ready to hand over to the new purchaser pre-settlement in perfect condition.

"We pride ourselves on the close relationships we have forged with all our clients and suppliers. The work we completed at The Griffin was just another example of why we stand out from the competitors and have a high retention rate of clients – we have the expertise, capacity and capability to deliver any project, regardless of the size," said Damien Murphy, Managing Director of Morgan's Group.

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With a wealth of knowledge in civil, infrastructure, structural, and traffic design, Indesco deliver quality design solutions to every project they manage. Integrating a range of industry knowledge and technical skills, the team at Indesco work closely with stakeholders, partners and contractors to overcome complex issues that often arise throughout the development stages, effectively managing risks and achieving outcomes that exceed client expectations.

With expertise across a range of fields, such as project and risk management, feasibility studies and project evaluation, Indesco believe that collaboration with the client is the key to quality engineering outcomes. Given their reliability and reputation across industries, Indesco also recently carried out structural engineering services for The Griffin.

Consisting of 254 residential units, along with commercial tenancies, The Griffin building is comprised of three, 8-storey towers, each with a common podium and three levels of basement.

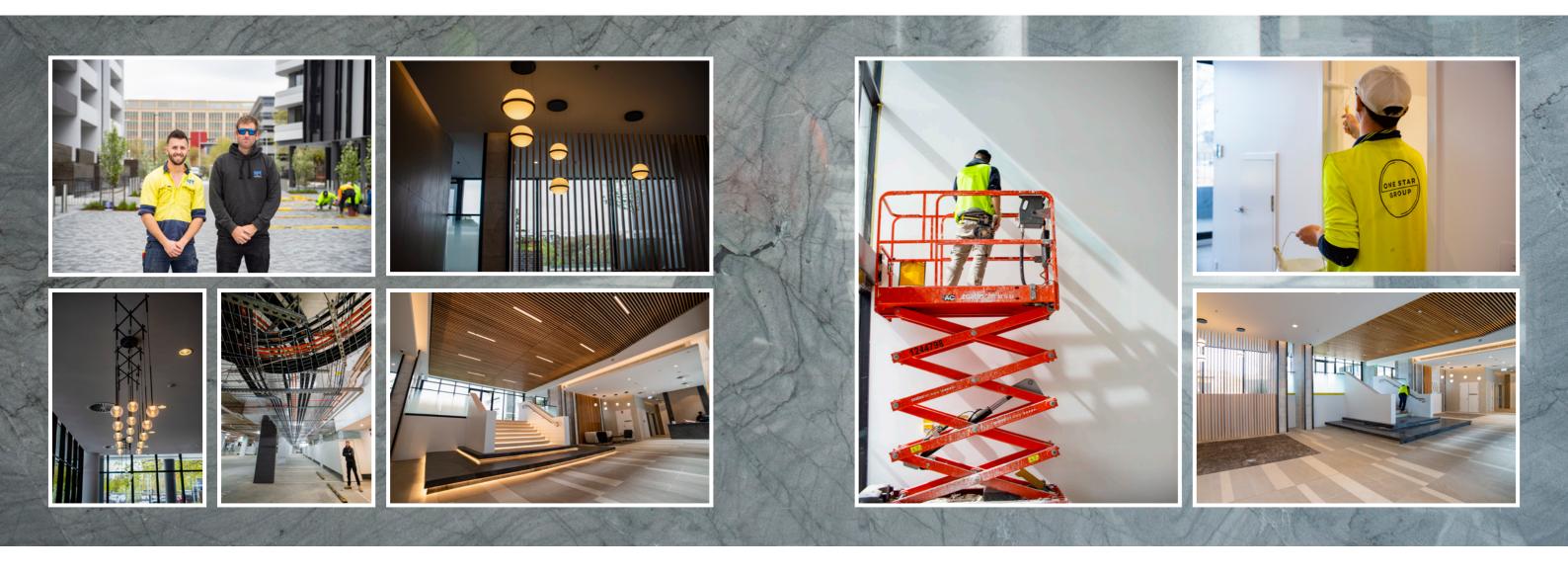
From the initial stages of development, Indesco's engagement involved driving a concept, with efficient post-tensioned slab spans, whilst maintaining vertical alignment and eliminating structural transfers.

As a result, an efficient and economical structure, with proven buildability, was created and experienced during construction.

Given their integrated knowledge across various aspects of construction and infrastructure, Indesco's scope of works included a range of other services for Chase Group, such as structural feasibility studies, value engineering, lateral analysis and stability design. In addition, they carried out pre-cast design, pre-cast shop drawing documentation, foundation and shoring design. Understanding the importance of clear consultation and communication, Indesco were able to deliver their services in both a timely and effective manner that not only met the client brief, but also ensured the construction stages of the development ran smoothly.

Priding themselves on their core values of transparency and integrity, Indesco continue to strive for design excellence and a culture of innovation, delivering quality outcomes and professional services to every project they complete.

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Steve Pattrick Electrical (SPE) is one of ACTs most experienced electrical companies. With more than three decades of success and growth, Steve Pattrick Electrical is focussed on the innovative delivery of electrical, mechanical, civil, security and access control services throughout ACT and New South Wales.

With extensive experience across various trades, and inhouse engineering team, SPE is well positioned to undertake highly technical and secure projects, including the capacity to manage works from design to execution.

SPE were Recently engaged by Chase Construction on The Griffin Apartments.

Made up of a collection of residences inspired by the holistic design philosophy of Walter Burley Griffin, the extensive development consists of 254 units, shared between three buildings, over eight residential levels and overlooks the renowned Lake Burley Griffin.

As one of the only companies who specialise in Electrical and Mechanical services in developments such as The Griffin, Matt Parker, from SPE, said that from late 2019, up until the recent handover, SPE were involved across all aspects of this iconic project.

"With a focus on high quality products, fixtures and fittings, we designed and constructed all of the electrical, access control and CCTV systems. In addition, we carried out all of the mechanical services for the project, including Basement and Pool HVAC systems," Matthew said. "This was a significant project for SPE because of the iconic nature of the development."

SPE were faced with a number of challenges throughout the project. "Given the scale and bespoke nature of the development, a high level of management and documentation was required to execute our works," said Matthew.

"However the biggest challenge we faced was the COVID-19 pandemic, which significantly affected our productivity and material procurement."

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One Star Group is a leading commercial painting contractor based in Canberra, who have been delivering a full range of painting services to high density residential and commercial projects since 2013.

Given their renowned reputation for getting the job done, in both a time and cost effective manner, as well as their commitment to listening to their clients in order to provide the best quality outcomes, One Star Group was also recently involved on The Griffin, project in Canberra.

Responsible for painting 250 of the residential units, including the corridors, gallery and lobby of The Griffin, the team of 20 painters worked efficiently within the apartments, creating optimal and aesthetically pleasing outcomes.

In addition, a polished venetian plaster finish was used throughout the gallery and lobby, which created not only a stunning, smooth surface and look, but also an eco-friendly and highly durable result.

Steve Cho, Managing Director of One Star, said that although The Griffin project was an extensive undertaking, they managed to attain the necessary resources and supplies, to ensure the project was delivered on time.

"COVID presented us with a few challenges, such as minor supply issues and labour shortages and unfortunately, the painting industry is completely reliant upon labour resources. However, we were able to work around all of these issues and managed to complete the project in a timely fashion," Steve said.

"Although this was one of the largest projects we've worked on to date, it was our third time working alongside and coordinating with the Chase site team, so it was a highly enjoyable 10 months," he said.

Currently also working on the 82W Apartment for BLOC and the Hume Data Centre for Hindmarsh, One Star Group are continuing to grow and expand their business, bringing their painting know-how and expertise to the forefront of commercial and residential projects throughout the Australian Capital Territory.

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