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## **Brisbane builders set new standards at 2024 Housing & Construction Awards**

From idyllic island-style living to cutting-edge healthcare facilities, Brisbane builders raised the bar on quality craftsmanship and innovative techniques at the 2024 Housing & Construction Awards.

The event saw a sellout crowd gather at the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre on Friday 19 July for what's long been regarded as the industry's night of nights.

AMD Quality Constructions swept the pool with five Award wins, including the prestigious *Xact Accounting House of the Year Award* and *Individual Home from \$3 million up to \$4 million* for stunning canal-side home *Sternlight*. The Victoria Point-based builder also bagged *Individual Home from \$1.5 million up to \$2 million* for grand acreage home Four Barns, and *Individual Home from \$2 million up to \$2.5 million* for Hamptons-inspired abode Anchorage. The AMD team rounded out the night by taking out *Medium Density up to 3 storeys – 2 to 5 dwellings* for The Oxford, an exclusive collection of five apartments at Taringa.

RYCON Constructions also made it a triple, winning the *BUSSQ Building Super President's Award*, *Foundation Technologies Best Use of Sloping Sites Award*, and *Best Residential Kitchen* for the breathtaking Brisbane River-side renovation, *Dutton Park Queenslander*.

Also in the Major Awards category, John Holland took home the *Professional Certification Group Project of the Year Award* and the gong for *Health Facilities over \$20 million* for the vital community healthcare project, *Logan Hospital Expansion Project – Stage 1*.

In the Individual Awards category, inspirational builder and interior designer *Claire Perham* from Axiom Construction Group won the *HBA Legal Women in Building Award*. Claire, husband Jay and team also celebrated *Home Renovation Project from \$450,000 up to \$600,000* for their impeccable renovation, Avalon, at Gordon Park.

The *Skill360 Apprentice of the Year Award* honoured dedicated Penelope Homes team player *Rhys Gray*, while renowned Queenslander aficionado *Brett Fowler* of Saltash Homes won the *Rising Star Award*.

Master Builders Deputy CEO and Awards Ambassador, Sue-Ann Fresneda, congratulated the winners across all 63 categories.

“Our Housing & Construction Awards are the jewel in the crown of our annual calendar of events, honouring not just the residential and commercial projects, but the people who make the industry so special,” Sue-Ann said.

“Amid labour shortages, a 40 per cent jump in the cost to build in the last three years, and an avalanche of regulatory change as we work to build the homes and projects our communities need, our sector is facing its fair share of challenges right now.

“However, as we know, the industry is nothing if not resilient – and the calibre of the entries we've seen this year are testament to that.

“Our judging panels were very impressed by the outstanding projects and homes put forward this year, marvelling at their ingenuity and craftsmanship, and reinforcing the stellar reputation of the builders and tradies behind them.

“Whether a winner or not, everyone who entered this year’s Awards is a valued member of the Master Builders family, and I couldn’t be prouder of everything they continue to achieve.”



### **Major Winners**

#### ***Winner of the 2024 Brisbane Xact Accounting House of the Year Award – AMD Quality Constructions for Sternlight***

Evoking the feeling of being on your own island, Sternlight is a masterclass in the merging of elevated design aesthetics, flawless construction, and livability. The sliding doors to the outdoor living space embrace the dual canal frontage beneath a striking butterfly roof, elevating the sense of grandeur in the open-plan space. Victorian Ash ceilings add warmth and flow, while the impeccable attention to detail paid by AMD Constructions and the client is evident, with our judges hailing the craftsmanship as second-to-none.

#### ***Winner of the 2024 Brisbane BUSSQ Building Super President’s Award – RYCON Constructions for Dutton Park Queenslander***

Perched on the banks of the Brisbane River, this stunning renovation blends the classic allure of the original 1920s Queenslander with contemporary comfort and style. Our judges praised RYCON Constructions for mastering the partial demolition and construction on a challenging sloping site requiring materials to be brought in via barge, and meeting heritage considerations. The home boasts the finest finishes, including stunning floor-to-ceiling windows, breathtaking kitchen, timber cathedral ceiling, and a riverside infinity pool – the perfect symphony of past and present.

#### ***Winner of the 2024 Brisbane Professional Certification Group Project of the Year Award – John Holland for Logan Hospital Expansion Project – Stage 1.***

The John Holland team earned high praise from this year’s judges, who hailed the level of construction detail on this complex project as nothing short of exceptional. The 5-level vertical expansion was crafted above the live emergency and paediatric departments with no disruption, while several other departments including the kitchen were refurbished in existing buildings. The panel also commended the team’s seamless integration of hi-tech services for patient care, and pivoting to complete works on time during COVID, and a flooding event.

## All Brisbane Winners

### Major winners

- BUSSQ Building Super President's Award – RYCON Constructions for Dutton Park Queenslander (Dutton Park)
- Professional Certification Group Project of the Year Award – John Holland for Logan Hospital Expansion Project - Stage 1 (Meadowbrook)
- Xact Accounting House of the Year Award – AMD Quality Constructions for Sternlight (Cleveland)

### Individual winners

- Skill360 Apprentice of the Year Award – Rhys Gray from Penelope Homes
- Rising Star Award – Brett Fowler from Saltash Homes
- HBA Legal Women in Building Award – Claire Perham from Axiom Construction Group

### Specialty winners

- Best Residential Bathroom – Clarendon Homes for Bowral 450 (Greenbank)
- Best Residential Kitchen – RYCON Constructions for Dutton Park Queenslander (Dutton Park)
- Best Residential Swimming Pool – Water and Mortar Constructions for Banksia Beach (Banksia Beach)

### Housing awards

- Display Home up to \$400,000 – Brighton Homes Queensland for Cosmo 24 (White Rock)
- Display Home from \$400,000 up to \$600,000 – Coral Homes for Lisbon 293Q (Spring Mountain)
- Display Home from \$600,000 up to \$800,000 – Hudson Homes (Qld) for Viridian 32 (Upper Kedron)
- Display Home over \$800,000 – Clarendon Homes for Bowral 450 (Greenbank)
- Individual Home up to \$400,000 – Transpire Constructions for CUSTOM - BURRUM (Ripley)
- Individual Home from \$400,000 up to \$550,000 – Bellevue Design and Construction for Bailey's House (Salisbury)
- Individual Home from \$550,000 up to \$700,000 – McLachlan Homes for The Lochinvar Project (Upper Kedron)
- Individual Home from \$700,000 up to \$850,000 – Munro Designed Homes for Windward (Newport)
- Individual Home from \$850,000 up to \$1 million – Munro Designed Homes for Havana (Ormiston)
- Individual Home from \$1 million up to \$1.5 million – Matt Walters Construction for The M & M House (Wavell Heights)
- Individual Home from \$1.5 million up to \$2 million – AMD Quality Constructions for Four Barns (Thornlands)
- Individual Home from \$2 million up to \$2.5 million – AMD Quality Constructions for Anchorage (Cleveland)
- Individual Home from \$2.5 million up to \$3 million – Batspac for Grece (Holland Park West)
- Individual Home from \$3 million up to \$4 million – AMD Quality Constructions for Sternlight (Cleveland)
- Individual Home from \$4 million up to \$5 million – Graya Construction for Casa Espri (Hamilton)
- Individual Home from \$5 million up to \$10 million – Graya Construction for Scorpia (Hamilton)
- Home Renovation Project from \$300,000 up to \$450,000 – BC Davis Constructions for Highside Jacaranda (Annerley)
- Home Renovation Project from \$450,000 up to \$600,000 – Axiom Construction Group for Avalon (Gordon Park)
- Home Renovation Project from \$750,000 up to \$1 million – SE Building Solutions for Project Gordon (Gordon Park)
- Home Renovation Project from \$1 million up to \$2 million – Papst Building Group for CASA BLANCA (Bulimba)
- Home Renovation Project over \$2 million – PPI Property Group for Airlie (Pullenvale)
- Medium Density up to 3 storeys – 2 to 5 dwellings – AMD Quality Constructions for The Oxford (Taringa)

- Medium Density up to 3 storeys – over 5 dwellings – Brighton Homes Queensland for Ashford Residence (Everton Park)
- Truecore Best Use of Steel Frame Housing Award – Coral Homes for Sacramento 318Q (Spring Mountain)
- Foundation Technologies Best Use of Sloping Sites Award – RYCON Constructions for Dutton Park Queenslander (Dutton Park)
- Excellence in Home Sustainability & Innovation – Walter Design & Development for Ultra-Marine P20-19
- Residential Trade Contractor of the Year – iFab Steel for Triple Helical Staircase (Bulimba)

### Construction awards

- Education Facilities up to \$10 million – Corella Construction for Harmony East Brisbane (East Brisbane)
- Education Facilities over \$10 million – BESIX Watpac for Brisbane Grammar School STEAM Building (Spring Hill)
- Health Facilities up to \$20 million – Apollo for Mater Health Hub, Springfield (Springfield)
- Health Facilities over \$20 million – John Holland for Logan Hospital Expansion Project - Stage 1 (Meadowbrook)
- Sporting Facilities – Buildcorp Group for National Rugby Training Centre, Ballymore (Herston)
- Tourism and Leisure Facilities up to \$10 million – Rohrig QLD for Camp Hill Hotel (Camp Hill)
- Tourism and Leisure Facilities over \$10 million – Cavcorp for Total Fusion Platinum (Newstead)
- Community Service Facilities – ADCO Constructions for Kaggarabah (Eight Mile Plains)
- Community Accommodation for Specialist Disability, Aged Care and Nursing Homes – Hutchinson Builders for The Green Tarragindi Retirement Village (Tarragindi)
- Retail Facilities up to \$5 million – Kyson Commercial for Guzman Y Gomez Cleveland (Cleveland)
- Retail Facilities over \$5 million – Rohrig QLD for The Brook Hotel (Mitchelton)
- Commercial Refurbishment/Renovation up to \$5 million – Buildcorp Group for Suncorp Stadium Members Area Refurbishment (Milton)
- Commercial Refurbishment/Renovation from \$5 million up to \$15 million – FDC Construction & Fitout (QLD) for UQ Materials Characterisation Foxtail Lab (Indooroopilly)
- Commercial Refurbishment/Renovation from \$15 million up to \$30 million – Kane Constructions (QLD) for Catherine's House for Mothers, Babies and Families (South Brisbane)
- Commercial Refurbishment/Renovation over \$30 million – Buildcorp Group for 123 Albert Street, Brisbane - Tower Repositioning (Brisbane)
- Commercial / Industrial Building up to \$5 million – Cavcorp for CavHQ (Newstead)
- Commercial / Industrial Building from \$5 million up to \$15 million – Tomkins Commercial and Industrial Builders – RSEA for Brisbane Airport (Brisbane Airport)
- Commercial / Industrial Building from \$15 million up to \$30 million – Total Construction for Store Local Berrinba (Berrinba)
- Commercial / Industrial Building from \$30 million up to \$50 million – Hansen Yuncken for Vaxxas Biomedical Facility (Hamilton)
- Commercial / Industrial Building over \$50 million – Wiley & Co for Automated Marshalling Conveyor System and Boning Room Trim Management System (Riverview)
- Commercial Fitout up to \$5 million – Apollo for ISQ Office Fitout (South Brisbane)
- Commercial Fitout from \$5 million up to \$10 million – FDC Construction & Fitout (QLD) for GPT Space & Co (Brisbane)
- Commercial Fitout over \$10 million – Buildcorp Group for Australian Retirement Trust Head Office (Brisbane)
- Residential Building (high-rise over 3 storeys) up to \$20 million – Graya Multi-Res for Canvas (Bulimba)
- WorkCon Residential Building (high-rise over 3 storeys) from \$20 million up to \$50 million Award – Mosaic Construction for The Patterson by Mosaic (Toowong)

- Residential Building (high-rise over 3 storeys) over \$50 million – Hutchinson Builders for Rendu Towers by Ozcare (Newstead)
- SiteForce Recruitment Commercial Trade Contractor of the Year Award – Parker Precision for Yarrabilba Hotel (Yarrabilba)

## **ENDS**

### **Images**

Further images of major, individual and specialty award winners are available via [Dropbox](#). Images of other winners available on request. Please note: all images may only be used for media coverage relating to the Housing & Construction Awards 2024 and must not be archived or used for additional purposes, as this is in breach of our entrants' agreement.

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