# REFLECTION TOWER TWO

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### A REFLECTION OF ITSELF

hat happens when a coastal residential development is hugely popular and sales are strong? In the case of Matrix, in partnership with Niecon, the answer is – build another one! Reflection on the Sea, built in 2005, was a dazzling performer which led to the birth of the equally stunning Reflection Tower Two, that opened in December 2008.

Queensland construction and project management company Matrix took responsibility for the \$63.5 million development, directing project, design and cost planning along with project and construction management, all the while ensuring skilled value management. Geoff Dunnett, Matrix's Gold Coast Manager for Reflection Tower Two says, "The project is a fantastic enhancement to the already impressive Matrix portfolio and is a continuation of another of our successful projects, Reflection on the Sea. Matrix site staff, subcontractors, consultants and suppliers all performed exceptionally throughout the duration of the project, and should be congratulated for the quality workmanship at Reflection Tower Two and the early finish of the project."

Reflection Tower Two has all the luxuries you'd expect from these highly consistent developers. Residents of the Tower will live in air-conditioned homes with cutting edge technology and stainless steel appliances and can make use of the 5-star facilities including a gym, sauna, Zen garden and big screen theatre. Most importantly, Reflection Tower Two apartments have floor to ceiling glass and large balconies which open residents up to the glittering coastline in front of them, with endless water views and scope to let the imagination run wild.

The apartments are modern and contemporary without losing the relaxed atmosphere of their natural coastal surroundings. Dunnett says, "Reflection Tower Two is a stunning addition to the Coolangatta coastline, incorporating a striking design with quality finishes and luxury features to create a truly superior development."

Sprawling over three busy street frontages, the Tower has 121 residential apartments, a ground floor retail precinct and three levels of basement parking. As the site is adjacent to the ocean it has a high water table which made excavation for the basement difficult. Matrix used a precast concrete basement retaining wall system over the three storeys; a first for the Gold Coast where precast over two storeys was the previous best. This pioneering work from Matrix has the advantage of faster construction and a premium quality finish.

Matrix aims to be a pioneer in all facets of their business. They have a leading graduate recruitment and apprenticeship program, with these newest employees given the strength of training needed to excel in the industry. Matrix takes environmental responsibilities seriously and over 75% of their management team are Green Star Accredited Design Professionals. They are dedicated to including Green Star initiatives in many of their future projects. Their initiative has gained them industry respect; business has grown by 40% over last 5 years purely through word-of-mouth and they are regular winners of Queensland Master Builder awards (QMBA).

Matrix has completed more than 200 iconic landmark projects totalling almost one billion dollars for a range of clients including The Beach Club, Zupps, Indigo and Samtay. They have provided their total building services to such iconic buildings as Aqua at Labrador, Nickelodean Central Dreamworld and Port Central at Port of Brisbane and are currently working on Milan at Main Beach, due for completion in mid-2008.

Matrix is privately owned and has served

Brisbane, the Gold Coast, Cairns, Townsville for 18 years. Their ability to tailor a project service to their client's needs has consistently ensured successful outcomes and their vast experience in pre construction services enables them to reliably create innovative project solutions.

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### STARS OF THE SCREEN

Civic Showerscreens and Wardrobes

Bursting onto the market in January 2007, Civic Showerscreens Showerscreens and Wardrobes is committed to excellence in their work, providing sleek, modern products for their clients.

Phil O'Connor, General Manager of Civic Group, initiated Civic's participation in the Reflection Tower project entrusting the job to an experienced team of four. Together they oversaw the installation of a combination of semi-frameless and frameless premium quality showerscreens and slimline frameless mirrors. The splashbacks (colourback glass) were opti-white and all wardrobe doors were mirror panelled, either in a frame or without. The project ensured an intense 10 months for the company but the results speak for themselves in their style and quality.

Civic Showerscreens and Wardrobes are busy on a number of new ventures, amongst them is One Macquarie St for Watpac at Teneriffe, Cotton Beach at Casuarina for Multiplex and Sierra Grand at Broadbeach for Amalgamated Construction.

Civic Glass and Aluminium

The other arm of the Civic Group is Civic Glass and Aluminium. Specialising in high-rise facades, this business is expert at giving a sleek and styled finish to any building.

They stamped their unique touch on Reflection Tower, enclosing the building in glass and aluminium. The shopping precinct was their particular focus completing all the windows, sliding and bi-fold doors. The area required rain protection and Civic were able to provide glazed awnings over the main entrances to achieve these aims with an eye-catching finish. Wayne

Richardson of Civic is particularly proud of the winter balconies used at Reflection Tower; suspended off the edges of the balconies, they virtually created a 'curtain wall' to stunning effect.

Current projects for this busy team are Southport Towers 2 and 3 (after completing Tower 1 last year) and the Dolphin Redevelopment for the Hilton Group in the centre of Surfer's Paradise.



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## E LEADING EDGE

it comes to Quality Handrails, experience is rything. Twenty years of reliable and service in the Southern Queensland region means this company has a strong reputation supported by superior

Versatility is the key to their success. They work regularly with Matrix and other developers on large scale construction jobs whilst also continuing in trusted partnership with home builders to complete smaller esidential jobs. Quality Handrails value their strong working relationships, regardin all jobs as significant, whether the brief is to provide all the balustrades and gates on a

Reflection Tower 2 ensured a busy 12 months for the installation team of brothers Brad and Chad Cooper, father and son Luke and Shane Alcorn and Tim Gates. To create the Tower's overall look of style and expert finish, the team provided the complete external balustrade configuration, louvre screens, pool fences and glass privacy screens. Working in conjunction with installers Pilkington (Nerang), they also provided the stainless steel and glass handrails for the sleek glass penthouse stairs. In this job Quality Handrails used the expert methods and quality i als that

has led them to their current project, Surfer's Manhattan building in Surfer's Paradise. This project involves a total refurbishment of the 30 storey high rise building; Quality Handrails are overhauling the railings system to deliver completely new rails and other aluminium fabrications. Further proof of this growing company's skill and expertise can be seen in their work on the Elysee building for Laing O'Rourke and a number of smaller high rises in the Tweed area.

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