

News Release: 28 October 2009

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RIBA Yorkshire announces winners of 2009 White Rose Awards for architecture

Two public buildings in Hull take the top honours in the 2009 Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) Yorkshire White Rose Awards. **Hull Truck Theatre** and **Queens Centre for Oncology & Haematology** were announced as winners by Sunand Prasad, immediate past president of the RIBA in front of a packed audience from the architecture industry at an awards ceremony which took place tonight [Friday, 30 October] at Leeds Town Hall.

The Building of the Year is:

Hull Truck Theatre - Wright and Wright Architects, London

The Client of the Year is:

Queens Centre for Oncology & Haematology, Hull - HLM Architects, Sheffield

The winners of the RIBA Yorkshire White Rose Awards for Architecture have been selected in three levels; gold, silver and bronze. They are:

GOLD

- **The Hull Truck Theatre - Wright and Wright Architects**
- **Queens Centre for Oncology & Haematology, Hull - HLM Architects**

SILVER

- **Pad 55, Spire View, Pickering - Bramhall Blenkharn, Malton**

- **Castleford Bridge - McDowell & Benedetti, London**

BRONZE

- **Charles Street Car Park, Sheffield - Allies and Morrison, London**
- **De Grey Court, York - Rivington Street Studio Architecture, London**
- **One Brewery Wharf, Leeds - DLA Architecture, Wakefield**
- **Creative Arts Building, Huddersfield - Darnton Egs, Leeds**

The Small Project Award is for projects with a contract value of less than £250,000. The 2009 winner is:

Porters Lodge Interpretation Centre, Fountains Abbey, Ripon - Woodhall Planning and Conservation, Leeds

Two schemes were acknowledged as deserving the Award for Conservation this year, they are:

Gold

The Royal Hall, Harrogate - Burrell Foley Fischer LLP, London

Silver

Leeds City Museum - Austin-Smith Lord, Manchester

Recognising excellence in public realm and communal space design, the Landscape Architecture Award is presented in partnership with Landscape Institute Yorkshire & Humber Branch.

The 2009 winner is:

The Restoration & Enhancement of **Shibden Park , Halifax - Golder Associates, Leeds**

Highly Commended: **Queens Centre for Oncology & Haematology, Hull - HLM Architects**

Presented by Integreat Yorkshire and rewarding sustainable architecture, the Sustainable Futures Award was given both to:

- **The Hull Truck Theatre - Wright and Wright Architects**

- **Pad 55, Spire View, Pickering - Bramhall Blenkharn**

Emma England, Regional Director of RIBA Yorkshire stated: “It’s really exciting to see how the different Yorkshire towns and cities are developing, with clients investing in good quality architecture. This year Hull has made its mark with two outstanding, yet completely different building types. Its Queens Centre for Oncology & Haematology is particularly impressive, as it is a very rare example of an excellent piece of architecture being achieved through a notoriously difficult PFI procurement process. Overall, the winners this year led the way in a region which, more than ever, has demonstrated its commitment to investment in sustainable public buildings.”

The RIBA Yorkshire White Rose Awards are supported by Ibstock Brick which has supported the Awards since they began in 1986.

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Editors Notes

1. The Awards aim to highlight the excellent work produced by architects and their teams; to demonstrate the importance of good quality architecture and urban design in contemporary society; to show how good architecture is integral to the economy of the region. The White Rose Awards were established in 1986.
2. The short-listed buildings were visited by a panel made up of RIBA Yorkshire Councillors, lay assessors, previous award winners and other respected architects in practice. This year, the architects were able to accompany the jury to explain their designs and answer questions. This is in compliance with new RIBA award policies. The landscape award was judged by both RIBA and Landscape Institute members.
3. The White Rose Award 2009 judging panel consists of:
 - Robin Machell, West and Machell (chair)
 - Geoff Ward, Stephen George and Partners and Chair of the RIBA Yorkshire
 - Claire McDonald, DSDHA
 - Richard Motley, Integreat Yorkshire
 - Ken Smith, Ibstock BrickIn the process of short listing this also included:

- Kevin Grady, Leeds Civic Trust
- Catherine Blanshard, Leeds City Council

4. RIBA Yorkshire White Rose Awards 2009 are sponsored by:

- Ibstock Brick - main sponsor since 1986
- Buro Happold
- WYSA (West Yorkshire Society of Architects)
- Sustainable Futures Award presented by Integreat Yorkshire
- Landscape Architecture Award in partnership with Landscape Institute supported by City Squared and Johnsons Wellfield

5. The winner of the RIBA Yorkshire White Rose Awards 2008, Building of the Year was Information Commons, University of Sheffield by RMJM Architects, London. Winners of the Yorkshire Client of the Year 2008 were the staff and pupils of Sharrow School, Sheffield, designed by Sheffield Design & Project Management, Sheffield City Council.