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WA builder Gransden Construction wins 2015 HIA-CSR Australian Home of the Year

The 2015 HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards were unveiled tonight at the residential building industry's prestigious Awards ceremony at the Gold Coast Convention & Exhibition Centre.

The HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards are the ultimate platform to showcase the talents of the nation's top builders and designers. Winners are selected from state-based finalists, with awards in 21 separate categories (see full list below).

HIA-CSR Australian Home of the Year is the top accolade, and this year it has been presented to Western Australian builder Gransden Construction. The project also won the award for Australian Custom Built Home of the Year, partnered by Stramit Building Products.

The judges were impressed with the execution of the build and the material combination, and described this home as an exemplary masterpiece.

Other award winners are wide spread around Australia and include:

Giorgi Exclusive Homes from Western Australia won Australian Apartment of the Year, partnered by HIA Finance. The judges were impressed by the open-plan layout with unique double height ceilings to create an immense sense of space.

Mirvac Docklands from Victoria won Australian Apartment Complex of the Year, partnered by Toyota Fleet. The judges appreciated the facilities available to residents including a resident's lounge, business centre, herb and vegetable garden, and gymnasium.

BCG Constructions from Victoria won Australian Townhouse/Villa of the Year, partnered by NewHomesGuide.com.au. The townhouse boasts luxurious appointments with meticulous attention to detail. The eye-catching façade includes rusted coreten metal cladding and ironbark board.

Strongbuild from NSW won Australian Townhouse/Villa Development of the Year, partnered by Rheem Australia, for Norwest Central - a multi-residential project. The well-appointed homes boast quality fittings and fixtures.

Strongbuild also won Australian Special Purpose Housing Project of the Year, partnered by HIA Vehicles for the Arbour Retirement Village in Berry. Described as a unique country experience for all residents, each home reflects the attention to detail of a one-off, bespoke build.

Stonehaven Homes from Victoria won Australian Spec Home of the Year, partnered by Stratco Australia. The home appears single-storey from the street, stepping down to two levels at the rear. The judges said the steep site required an innovative design.

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Metricon Homes from South Australia won **Australian Display Home of the Year**, partnered by NewHomesGuide.com.au. Described as modern living at its best, 'The Chicago' provides a sense of style, comfort and high quality craftsmanship.

Spacemaker Home Extensions from Victoria won Australian Renovation/Addition Project of the Year, partnered by HIA Insurance Services. The judges applauded the spacious ground floor living area, which opens up to a north-facing alfresco - making for stylish year-round entertaining.

Crown Group from NSW won Australian Outdoor Project of the Year, partnered by HIA Insurance Services. The natural materials and elements of water were commended, transporting visitors from the busy city location to a peaceful Balinese-style resort.

Planbuild Homes from Queensland won Australian Project Home of the Year, partnered by OneSteel Reinforcing. Boasting quality finishes and attention to detail, Planbuild Homes has produced a striking five-bedroom home at a very reasonable cost.

Brindabella Bathrooms from NSW won Australian Bathroom Design of the Year, partnered by GWA Bathrooms & Kitchens. The reclaimed timber mosaic tiles are the key feature of this renovated bathroom, adding subtle warmth and pairing well with other tile choices.

Bubbles Bathrooms from Victoria won **Australian Bathroom of the Year**, partnered by GWA Bathrooms & Kitchens. The judges commented that the renovated bathroom is glamourous, well designed and beautifully executed.

JAG Kitchens from South Australia won Australian Kitchen Design of the Year, partnered by Laminex Australia. The same kitchen by JAG Kitchens also won Australian Kitchen of the Year, partnered by Laminex Australia. The workmanship in this kitchen is faultless. Bold architectural details and clever cabinet design add to the ambience and sophistication.

Adam Cocks from South Australia won the Jim Brookes Australian Apprentice of the Year, partnered by Stratco Australia. Adam has a clear vision for his career goals, which the judges felt certain he will achieve due to his dedication to the industry and problem solving skills.

Henley Properties Group from Victoria won **Australian Professional Major Builder of the Year**, partnered by Reece. Henley Properties Group is a leading Australian home builder; operating for more than 25 years. Henley has established themselves as a leader in new home design and innovation.

Latitude 37 Group from Victoria won Australian Professional Medium Builder / Renovator of the Year, partnered by Reece. Latitude 37 Group's core operating principles are outstanding client service, innovative high quality housing solutions and rigorous business management.

Ronald Young & Co Builders from Tasmania won Australian Professional Small Builder /Renovator of the Year, partnered by Reece. Ronald Young & Co Builders are one of Tasmania's most experienced residential building companies, with a professional and innovative business plan.





Rebecca Rossi from Western Australia won Australian Business Partner of the Year, partnered by BUPA HIA Health Plan. Rebecca is described as self-motivated and dedicated to ensuring her business operates at the very highest of standards.

HIA Managing Director Shane Goodwin said the HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards are the pinnacle of housing awards and reflect the increasingly diverse and competitive Australian housing industry.

"HIA is committed to recognising the outstanding achievements of our members. Each year a high calibre of entries is presented, reflecting the exceptional standard HIA members place on workmanship, innovation and design."

"This year, we have seen outstanding projects. HIA members have exceeded themselves in quality workmanship and design. It is my pleasure to congratulate each winner for the hard work and dedication they continue to display. From sustainable initiatives to incredible workmanship, these homes are remarkable and we are proud to call these winners HIA members."

HIA is Australia's peak building industry body representing more than 40,000 builders, suppliers and contractors involved in residential construction.

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

For images of the winning project visit: media.hia.com.au For further information please contact:

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2015 HIA-CSR Australian Housing Awards winners

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Partnered by HIA Finance	Western Australia
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Partnered by NewHomesGuide.com.au	Victoria
2015 HIA Custom Built Home Partnered by Stramit Building Products	Gransden Construction Western Australia
2015 HIA Display Home Partnered by NewHomesGuide.com.au	Metricon Homes South Australia
2015 HIA Outdoor Project Partnered by HIA Insurance Services	Crown Group New South Wales
2015 HIA Project Home Partnered by OneSteel Reinforcing	Planbuild Homes Queensland
2015 HIA Renovation/Addition Project Partnered by HIA Insurance Services	Spacemaker Home Extensions Victoria
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Partnered by Stratco Australia	Victoria
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Partnered by HIA Vehicles	New South Wales
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Partnered by Rheem Australia	New South Wales
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Partnered by GWA Bathrooms & Kitchens	Victoria
2015 HIA Bathroom Design Partnered by GWA Bathrooms & Kitchens	Brindabella Bathrooms New South Wales
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2015 HIA Jim Brookes Australian Apprentice	Adam Cocks
Partnered by Stratco Australia	South Australia
2015 HIA Business Partner	Rebecca Rossi, Ultimo
Partnered by BUPA HIA Health Plan	Constructions Western Australia