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Accolades & Qdos

The pick of the bunch in Qld

Queensland Design on Show (otherwise known as Qdos) has drawn its 2009 winners from an impressive selection of talent. Australian designer Jason Bird of LuxxBox scooped four awards in the Three Dimensional category, including Gold for his 'Brainwash' espresso stool in zinc and powdercoated steel (pictured above), and 'Phase' – a tri-form pendant with complex geometric patterns.

Gold winners also included architects Arkhefield, who received two awards in the Interior Design section. Their stunning new residence, Elysium Lot 153, and their lighting for 82 Eagle Street, Brisbane, mark a defining moment for Queensland's architectural design community.

As an annual awards program, Qdos spans several design disciplines and is an important voice for creative excellence in Queensland.

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Art Outdoors

Artist range takes creativity outdoors

Sydney ceramic artist Cameron Williams and sculptor Hopi Steiner are the creative minds (and hands) behind Robert Plumb's latest Artists Collection.

Creating accessible gallery-grade pieces, Williams and Steiner inject art into everyday outdoor settings with pots, planters and lights.

Each piece in the artist-designed and commissioned range takes six weeks from order. Clients can also work with the artists to adapt the design to their preference.

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Web Addiction

Websites no longer a luxury

When marketing your brand an impressive homepage is essential and, with web design services such as Picaholic, it's become increasingly easy to tackle.

Launched in Sydney in 2006 by Almira Pizovic and Avishai Ungar, Picaholic caters to creative types looking to establish a web presence.

Only the most basic of computer skills are needed, with Picaholic taking care of the rest. Using the web design service you can design a sophisticated, configurable flash website, complete with hosting and tech updates.

You can find lots of Picaholic inspiration on sites like spruceliving.net and cyndiart.com.

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In Full Bloom

Top Tenner goes from strength to strength

It's been an illustrious year for Christina Waterson's multi-disciplinary art, design and architecture studio. Product development, exhibitions and a website launch culminated with the release of The Bloom Series, exhibited with Small Australian Projects in Brisbane late last year. A piece from the series is pictured left.

Selected as one of *DQ's* Top Ten designers for 2009, Waterson's work explores the relationship between nature, structure and geometry, using interactive recyclable materials.

Watch out for Waterson's public artwork commission in Brisbane, a large sculptural extension of The Bloom Series in collaboration with Urban Art Projects.

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Lights that Excite

Private residence sees new light

A dynamic use of lighting has brought new character to a private residence in Carlton, Melbourne, thanks to architectural lighting and design company Dean Phillips.

Linear T5 fluorescent lamps were dynamically cantilevered at angles from the ceilings of the house. T5 fluorescents were hung at regular perpendicular angles from overhead surfaces, and a super-long

tubular lamp was suspended horizontally through the internal volume.

Working in collaboration with Denton Corker Marshall architects, Dean Phillips designed and engineered the luminaire suspensions, and custom developed the lamps for each space.

Through their innovative product and installation work on a range of international projects, Dean Phillips places Australian light manufacturing on the map.

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