Setting the standards in concrete repair

Tough fixes win ACRA's concrete repair awards

Restore: 1.6 km of sewage tunnel, a logger's bridge in a remote mountain region, an art deco heritage theatre, a heritage seawall over 80 years old, five wharves in a major port, with CP.

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These are the projects that have challenged, and been overcome by, the winners of the ACRA Awards for Excellence for 2008.

The results were announced at a special presentation dinner attended by over 80 members

and their guests on November 6 at Sebel Pier One.

According to the judges even the merit awards show-cased an astonishing array of tough fixes, from silos to bridges to difficult restorations of a facade and a hotel in the heart of Sydney.

Indeed, say the judges, "The standard of the submissions was high and it was not easy to select the winners. The judges gave consideration to the overall project, its investigation, repair and protection solution, innovative and economic treatment of the structure and the appropriateness of the solution to the requirements of the client."

The judges were Warren Green, Izzat Consulting, Professor Ian Gilbert, UNSW, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, and David Morris, Port Stephens Strata Management.

Best of the best

- For Innovation: Metropolitan Restoration, SWOOS1
 Tunnel, Botany; a merit award to Maunsell AECOM, Lae Berth 3, Papua New Guinea.
- Projects <\$250k: Metro-

politan Restoration, Bombowlee Creek Bridge, Tumut; a merit award to Andersal Engineering, Rail Bridge "U", Port Kembla.

Projects \$250k to \$1m—residential or commercial:
Crest Restoration
Services, Civic
Theatre, Newcastle; a merit award to Preservation
Technologies, Kentbridge House, Sydney.
Project \$250k to

\$1m—industrial, marine or civil: Metropolitan Restoration, Rose Bay Seawall; a merit award to Metro-

Pipeline.
• Projects > \$1m—residential or commercial: a merit award to R M Watson, Crest Hotel, Kings Cross.

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Projects >\$1million—industrial, marine or civil: Savcor ART, East Swanson Dock, Port of Melbourne; a merit award to Maunsell AECOM, Lae Berth 3, Papua New Guinea.

- Long-term performance: A merit award to GHD, Ulladulla Fisherman's Jetty, NSW.
- Repair Industry Excellence Award: Savcor ART, East Swanson Dock, Port of Melbourne; merit awards to Buildcorp Asset Solutions, Clean Silos 1 & 2, Mt Thorley and to Crest Restoration Services, Civic Theatre, Newcastle.

Go with winners

The quality of entries in ACRA's awards program is proof that its members offer world's best practice in the care of concrete assets.

For a full judges' commentary, go to ACRAssoc.com.au.

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Engineering *Buildcorp *Central Systems *Consolidated Quality Projects *Costin Roe Consulting *Crest Restoration Services
*Diagnostech *GHD *HMS Civils *Hyder Consulting *Kladis Building Solutions *Mahaffey Associates *Maunsell Aust. *MDF
Group *Metropolital Restorations *Parchem Construction Products *Preservation Technologies *Remedial Building Services
Aust. *Remedial Concrete Works *Savor ART *Sika Aust. *Structural Systems (Remedial) *-IRM Watson *-Xypex Aust.