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Thinking outside 'The Cube' in Wodonga wins Zauner Regional Master Builder of the Year

The innovative Wodonga Art Community Centre, or The Cube as it is known, was last night named best commercial construction in Victoria winning Zauner Construction Regional Master Builder of the Year (Commercial).

More than 550 people celebrated the Excellence in Construction Awards, at the Palladium, Crown, which recognise leading commercial builders in Victoria.

Chief Judge Mort Mitchell said the task of choosing a regional winner was difficult because of the exceptional quality of the work.

"The Cube has a major significance to the community as an arts, culture and social hub for the local residents," Mr Mitchell said.

"This project was chosen because of its sheer versatility and the quality and drama of the architecture and building work," he said.

The Cube has the capacity to 'open up' into an outdoor venue. It opened in August 2012.

"It embodies a good community project," Mr Mitchell said.

Zauner Construction is a family owned business that has been in operation for 50 years, specialising in major commercial and industrial construction.

The other entrants for this year's Regional Master Builder of the Year (Commercial) were:

- KGB Constructions for American Hotel, Echuca.
- Lyons Construction for Kardinia International College Inquiry Centre, Bell Post Hill.
- CM & HM Banks Pty Ltd for the Advanced TAFE Building 3 Redevelopment, Bairnsdale.

Master Builders Executive Director Brian Welch said this year's entrants were of exceptional quality and epitomised the quality of work in the regions.

"Zauner Construction's Cube is a state-of-the-art venue bringing entertainment to local residents. It will be a cultural hub for years to come hosting local and international musical, comedy and theatre events," Mr Welch said.

"Zauner were chosen as the cream-of-the-crop from a group of first-rate construction projects right across the state.

"These entrants are a testament to the commitment to quality epitomised by regional Master Builders."

Zauner Constructions will represent Victoria in the Master Builders Australia National Excellence in Building and Construction Awards to be held on 16 November in Canberra.

(Full list of winners below. Interviews and more photos available upon request.)

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2013 Excellence in Construction Awards Winners

Master Builder of the Year

APM Group (Aust) Pty Ltd
Centre for Catholic Leadership, East Melbourne

Regional Builder of the Year

Zauner Construction
The Cube (Wodonga Art Community Centre), Wodonga

Best Specialist Contractor

HBS Group Pty Ltd
Melbourne GPO Façade Restoration, Melbourne

Specialist Contractor's Collaboration Award

S & B Lamble Pty Ltd

Best Sustainable Energy Project

Equiset Construction Melbourne Pty Ltd
990 La Trobe Street, Docklands

Excellence in Fitout

Equiset Construction Melbourne Pty Ltd
990 La Trobe Street, Docklands

Excellence in Construction of Industrial Buildings

Cockram Construction Limited
CSL Behring Cell Culture Facility, Broadmeadows

Excellence in Health & Safety

Cockram Construction Limited
Costco, Ringwood

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings under \$3M

Buildcept Pty Ltd
Volkswagen, Ringwood

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$3M - \$5M

S.J Weir (Ballarat) Pty Ltd
Ballarat Grammar 'Centre for Early Education', Wendouree

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$3M - \$5M

Buildcept Pty Ltd
Dreman Building, Melbourne

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$5M - \$10M

FDC Construction and Fitout (Vic) Pty Ltd
Treasury Wine Estates, Southbank

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$10M - \$15M

Kane Constructions Pty Ltd
Epworth, Richmond

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$15M - \$20M

Watpac Construction (Vic) Pty Ltd
Hume Global Learning Centre, Cragieburn

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$20M - \$30M

APM Group (Aust) Pty Ltd
Centre for Catholic Leadership, East Melbourne

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$30M - \$80M

Kane Constructions Pty Ltd
Victoria University Construction Futures, Sunshine

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings over \$80M

Watpac Construction (Vic) Pty Ltd
Melbourne Park Redevelopment – Eastern Plaza, Melbourne

Special Commendations

Specialist Contractor's Collaboration Award

Thiess Contractors Pty Ltd

Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings \$20M - \$30M

McCorkell Constructions Pty Ltd
Camberwell Grammar School – The Wheelton Centre, Canterbury