

DESIGN & DEVELOPMENTAWARDS
2022





Jill Garner

Victorian Government Architect

Jill took the helm of the Office of the Victorian Government Architect in 2015, stepping into the role as a public advocate for architecture and design after more than twenty years in practice.

As an architect, her practice - Garner Davis - has received numerous industry awards for delivering sensitive, crafted public and private work. As a design advisor and advocate in government, she strongly promotes the value of contextual, integrated design thinking and a collaborative approach across design disciplines.

Jill has taught at both RMIT and Melbourne University in architectural design, theory and contemporary history. She is one of the first graduates of the innovative practice-based Masters by Design at RMIT and is a past board member and examiner for the Architects Registration Board Victoria.

In 2018, Jill chaired the national Committee for the Venice Architecture Biennale. She is a Life Fellow of the Australian Institute of Architects and in 2021 she was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia, recognizing her distinguished service to architecture, education and professional associations.





Heather Cunsolo

Cr Heather Cunsolo is a Gateway Ward councillor and has a vision for unity in the community. With a background in architecture, small business and mediation, Heather looks forward to the Design and Development Awards continuing to build bridges between residents, designers, businesses and Council. Heather has experience in bringing people together to see vibrancy in the City's streets and the beautification of public spaces. As the City of Port Phillip grows, she is also keen that the Awards continue to support and celebrate quality property development as an example to the industry.



Andy Fergus

Andy Fergus is an emerging urban designer and design advocate, passionate about working with communities, ethical developers and government to create successful places. And holds a number of concurrent roles as Head of Urban Design at Assemble Communities, Director at Andy Feraus Desian Strateay, Co-director of Melbourne Architours and Advocacy Lead at Urban Design Forum. Andy is passionate about design education and building the capacity of the community to more effectively engage in and shape the quality of the built environment.





Weian Lim

Weian Lim is the founder and director of WALA, an emerging Melbourne-based studio that provides architectural, interior and design services with a specialised focus on residential developments in heritage settings. Notably, WALA won the Heritage Category in the 2020 City of Port Phillip Design Awards for Downside-Up House. Weian is a proponent for design excellence, and for good design that is playful yet socially and environmentally responsible. He has also shared his experience and knowledge in design studios at the University of Melbourne and Monash University.



Christina Sirakoff

Cr Christina Sirakoff is a Lake Ward Councillor, resident and highly active community member. Christina brings local perspective about the importance of the City's vibrant streets and protecting and enhancing heritage homes and streetscapes. She is keen to see improvements in apartment and unit development in the city, particularly with regards to open space and liveability.

As a first-time participant and design awards juror, Christina looks forward to sharing her love of good design and the added value it brings to the community.





Mai Lu

Mai is acting Head of City Design at the City of Port Phillip where she oversees advice on complex public space and built form projects. Mai has worked in the private, public and education sectors and thrives on this collaboration within the design industry. Her experience is instrumental to improving design processes that deliver for the Port Phillip community.

Mai enjoys coordinating a talented and skilful team, and working closely with resident, business and government stakeholders.





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