



Swanbury Penglase

#75 Things have been busier than ever in our new office on Gilbert Street with many exciting educational buildings reaching completion this quarter. Here's a recap of some of the A+ school projects we've been working on at Swanbury Penglase!

School's Out

With the fast-paced evolution of information technology in modern classrooms, new design opportunities and challenges are continually arising. In our office we engage in plenty of education-based projects and we enjoy developing contemporary spaces that can support evolving pedagogies in innovative learning environments.

The solution for each school is unique to the physical context and learning framework. Our projects are focused on creating rich and varied interconnecting built environments that can facilitate a wide range of learning activities to supplement the important role that is still played by traditional classrooms.

The recently completed Christian Brothers College Centre for Innovation is a good example of this approach. The project architect Associate Kon Michael worked closely with our BIM Manager Josh Budarick for this multi-disciplinary 'STEaM' building: to develop the distinctive 'wrap-around' geometric façade on Wakefield Street.



Christian Brothers College

Also recently opened is the new \$19.9M Pedare Christian College 'One Campus' Performing Arts, Junior School, Middle School and Gymnasium, managed by Director Simon Best. This project enabled the school to deliver a curriculum across all years from the one Surrey Farm Drive campus by incorporating Pedare's Junior School campus, previously located at Bicentennial Drive. Central to the project were principles of community inclusiveness, sustainability and technology, wrapped into a STEM-oriented outcome. The team's close relationship developed with the school was central to delivery of the integrated architectural, interiors and landscape solution.

Finally, we have the recently completed New Senior School STEM and Leadership Hub at Seymour College. This project involved a complete refurbishment and new extension to the Eastern Wing of the Abbie Building to create a dedicated facility for Senior School Learning. Delivering new Laboratories, classrooms, a Senior Learning Commons, film studio and edit suite along with a new Senior School Reception, this project has fulfilled the first stage in the redevelopment of Seymour's Senior Precinct and supports Seymour's ground-breaking Senior School program, *Independence*.



Pedare Christian College



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Seymour College

Office News

Commendations are due to the committed team who delivered the UniSA Cancer Research Institute building, picking up three awards at the 2019 South Australian AIA Awards held Saturday 29th June. The accolades being the Jack McConnell Award for Public Architecture, an Award for Interior Architecture and an Award for Sustainable Architecture. As winner of the named Award for Public Architecture the project goes forward for consideration at the National Awards held later in the year.

In July Swanbury Penglase was pleased to announce several new appointments including the elevation of Andrew Klenke to Director. Andrew leads the Heritage & Conservation team, this step further building Andrew and the team's profile in this space. We also offer congratulations to Paul Rawinski, promoted to Associate and Sarah Oliver and Jasmine Brooksby each promoted to Senior Interior Designer. Finally, we welcome another fresh UniSA graduate to the architecture team. Cameron Burfield joins our office after working with us in 2018 as a student intern. Welcome back Cam!

In travel news, Landscape Architect Marguerite Bartolo recently honeymooned in Europe following her wedding earlier this year. Her travels took her from her family's homeland of Malta to Ireland and while the team felt her absence, we trust she made the most of the time off.

Meanwhile in the Australian outback, Associate Director Matt Raven enjoyed his long service leave by going bush with his family. Travelling almost 25,000km over 100+ days he and the family experienced everything from snorkelling on the Ningaloo Reef to riding a bike around Uluru. Sporadic email updates featuring pristine turquoise oceans and waterfalls sparked envy as we battled the frigid Adelaide temperatures at home.

An exceptionally busy few months workwise was complemented with some competitive but friendly fun, our social committee delivering an evening of entertainment at the bowling alley in early August for 'Christmas in (almost) July' followed by dinner at the pub. Naturally the dress code of ugly jumpers was strictly adhered to!

Finally, on the 5th of September we formally celebrated our new space and 30th birthday with a launch party. It was a celebratory evening with good food and drinks enjoyed amongst our team, clients and friends in the new space. The highlight of the occasion was a traditional indigenous smoking ceremony to acknowledge the traditional custodians and cleanse the space.



Cameron Burfield



Margi's Honeymoon



MattR in the Outback



Smoking Ceremony



AIA Awards Dinner



Christmas in (almost) July

Staff Notes



Name: Matthew James

Position in firm: Interior Designer

Current projects: St Peters Girls School Science Building, St Peters Girls School Junior School Upgrades, St Catherine Upgrades & Australian Red Cross Blood Service - Administration Fitout.

What inspires you? Exploring. Seeing new things and discovering new places.

Design idol: Right now, Alex Valdman.

Fav building: Anything from Zumthor.

Design you wish you could take credit for: Any iconic Nike silhouette.

Pencil vs computer? Pencil/pen for sure.

Fav eatery: Meze Mazi.

Most treasured possession: My road bike.

Best thing about living in Adelaide: That's an easy one, the close proximity to the beach and Adelaide Hills!

Currently listening to: Four Tet.

First favourite song as a kid: Outkast - Hey Ya.

Motto in life: Let it go...

Fantasy (or next holiday destination): Spain (this October).

Superpower (if you could have one): Time travel maybe?

Growing up you thought you would be...? A graphic designer or product designer.

Memorable SPA moment: That's tough! Most days at Swanbury Penglase are memorable. However, celebrating Rebecca Hewett's wedding day with the team is definitely a highlight! Oh, and the 2018 Christmas Party!