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Local design firm showcases award winning design flair

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Kelly Rush has been operating his architectural design firm Krush Architecture since 2010 and, although small in size, the practice has been punching well above its weight in the local design stakes, with a broad range of work from small residential homes through to large commercial projects already under its commercial belt.

o, when Miles Construction needed a new building to accommodate their growth, the building firm knew exactly who to go to.

The brief called for a professional office space split across two levels, suitable for use as a showroom to meet with clients and, although the interior brief was well planned, Kelly was able to utilise his expertise to formulate an exterior design that would align well with the dynamic local construction firm.

The resulting design at 106 Coleridge Street is sleek and contemporary, with primary colours juxtaposed against a modern charcoal façade.

"I had a good relationship with Miles Construction, having completed a number of commercial jobs for them previously," Kelly explains.

"For their new premises, they were after something different; something that would stand out. It was a tight and interesting site from an architectural perspective and, although only one elevation was visible





from the street, it allowed us the scope to do something different with the elevation to make it stand out on the site."

The partnership has proved a successful one, with Krush Architecture earning a Highly Commended –

Commercial/Industrial Architectural Design Award at the recent 2015 ADNZ | Resene Architectural Design Awards for the Canterbury and Westland regions.

Held annually, the awards celebrate the most innovative, creative and aesthetic architectural designs in the country, identifying stand-out local firms across new homes, interiors, alterations and additions and industrial design.

Although this year's ADNZ awards was the first awards the five year old design firm has entered, we're likely to see a lot more from Krush Architecture as the company plays its role in the design of the new Christchurch.

"We're really pleased, with the recognition," Kelly says. "I've loved architecture and design since school and I remember being in maths class scribbling house designs etc, so I always knew that was the path I was going to go down," Kelly says.

"Architecture offers an incredible opportunity to showcase creativity and flair." For more information on Krush Architecture find them on Facebook or visit www.krusharchitecture.co.nz