



EDITOR'S NOTE

There's nothing quite like the buzz of earning an award, no matter what industry or profession you're in. And not just for the opportunity to bask in the commercial spotlight or the physical incarnation of that win - the award itself. But rather the opportunity - forced though it may be - to step back and recognise one's own achievements, in the most humblest of Kiwi ways of course.

With the fast pace of a contemporary commercial climate predicated on an 'onto the next' mentality, we're bounding from one project to the next and it can be difficult to step back and appreciate what we've achieved and where we've come - both personally and professionally.

The significance of each and every one of those individual projects isn't lost on the emerging city - whether it's a micro home or a mammoth commercial premises. A great journey is after all, just a series of putting one foot in front of the other.

It's a journey that has been captured in an array of awards this season - the House of the Year, the Architectural Designers New Zealand (ADNZ) Awards and the National Kitchen and Bathroom Association (NKBA) Awards. We've profiled a number of the winning projects from across the region.

Congratulations to all the architects, designers, builders and subtrades that tie them all together. It may just be one job before the next for you, but together they make up the new face of Christchurch and it's a pretty exceptional one at that.

So, if you're not going to pat yourselves on the back, we'll do it for you in the pages ahead. Enjoy!

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