The City of Winchester Trust Awards - TrustNews June 10

The Trust has invited submissions for the 2010 Trust Awards. This year the categories include Landscaping, Public Art, Sustainability/Reduction of Carbon footprint as well as New Buildings, Refurbishment/Alterations and Landscaping.

The closing date for submissions has been extended until mid July to allow time to encourage as many entries as possible. A good number of entries have already been received but members may still suggest schemes that they would like to commend; there may be more hidden gems out there. In the first instance please contact the Secretary by email or telephone.

Shortlisting will take place by the selection panel in late July. Members will be given the opportunity to see all shortlisted schemes at the AGM and will have the opportunity to vote for their Members Award.

City of Winchester Trust Design Awards - TrustNews Dec 10

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The Entries and Awards

New Buildings

Trinity Centre	Award	Houseman Henderson
University Centre	Award	Design Engine
Waitrose + Doctors Surgery	Commendation	MBP Architects
Becks Mews, 108 Stockbridge Road	Commendation	Chaplin Farrent

1 Long Close, Stanmore; Emmaus Centre; Performing Arts Centre

Conversion/Refurbishment/Extension

Discovery Centre	Award	HCC Architects
Lighting in St Cross Church	Award	Seymour Bainbridge
Sparklers Sure Start, Winnall	Commendation	HCC Architects

8 St Thomas Street; 8 Fallow Field, Badgers Farm; Abbey Gardens Lavatories; Queen Elizabeth II Court; Scholars Chambers, Winchester College

Public Art

Discovery Centre Wall Hanging	Commendation	Alice Kettle
Collective Art at University	Commendation	Alice Kettle

The Kite Flyer, Parchment Street; Painted Bollards, The Square

Sustainability

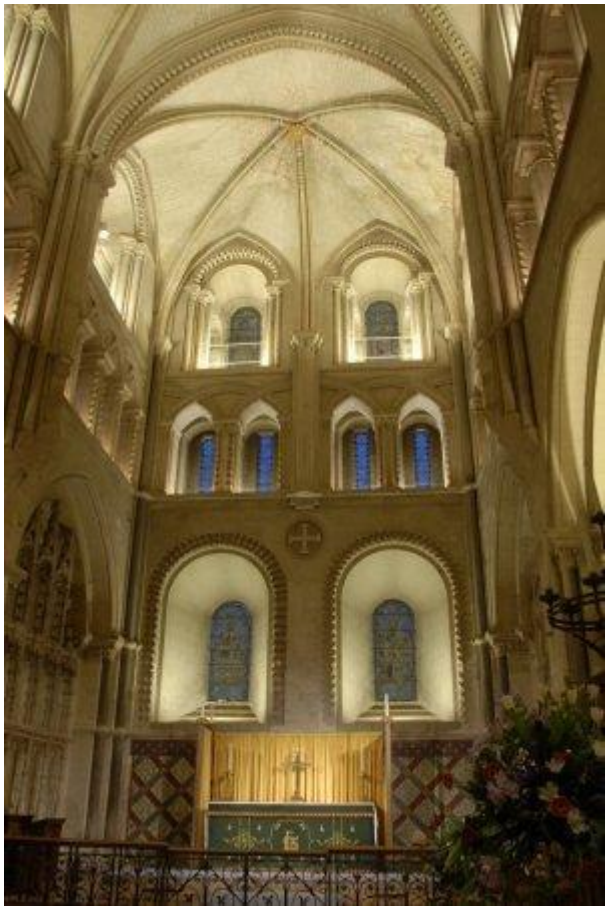
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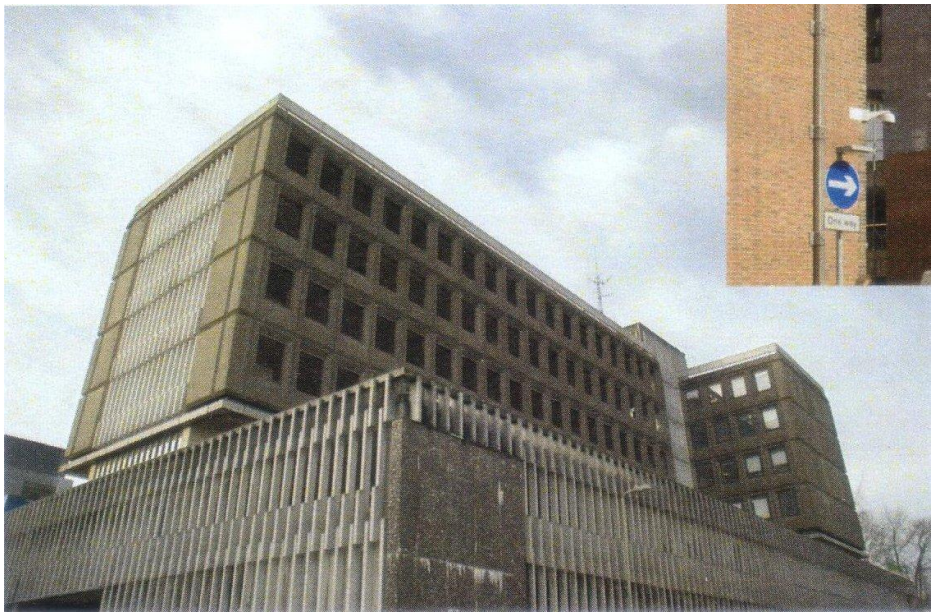
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	Trinity Centre
	University Centre
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	8 Fallow Field, Badgers Farm
	Abbey Gardens Lavatories
	Discovery Centre
	Lighting in St Cross Church
	Queen Elizabeth II Court
	Scholars Chambers, Winchester College
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Landscape	Memorial Garden Osborne School
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AWARD New Build
TRINITY CENTRE

Architect : Household Henderson, Winchester

Contractor : Wilding & Butler, Colden Common

Well designed despite the limited budget. The external elevations make a very positive contribution to the street scene; a good use of the site.





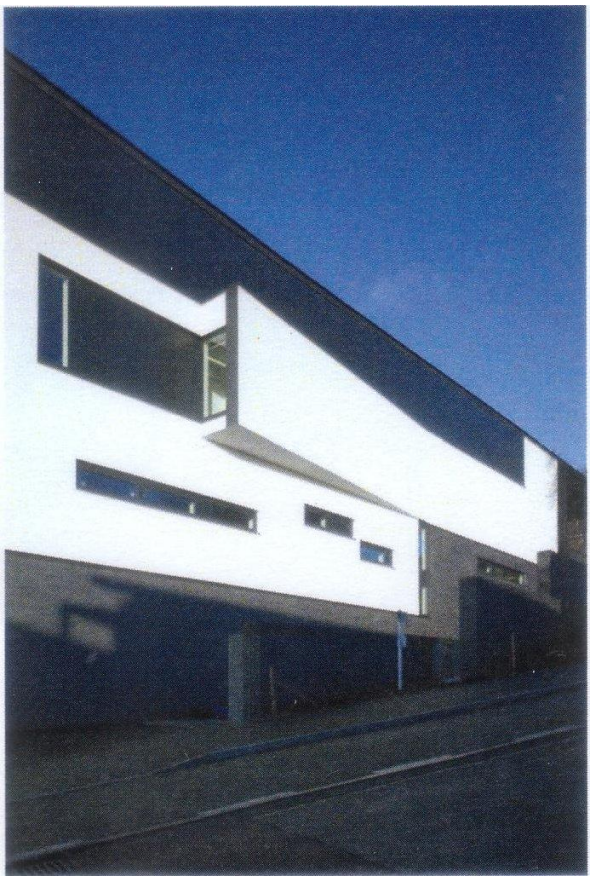
AWARD New Build
UNIVERSITY CENTRE

Architect : Design Engine, Winchester

Contractor : Geoffrey Osborne, Reigate

A demanding brief on a complex site, but the quality of this design shone through. This new building at the main entrance to the university campus has also created a sense of arrival, which was previously lacking.





COMMENDATION New Build
WAITROSE SUPERSTORE + DOCTORS SURGERY

Architect : MBP Architects, Hampton Wick

Contractor : Norwest Holst Ltd., Colden Common

So much better than most retail developments, and a good use of a tight site, but concern over weathering details. The interior design of the doctors waiting area was also commended.





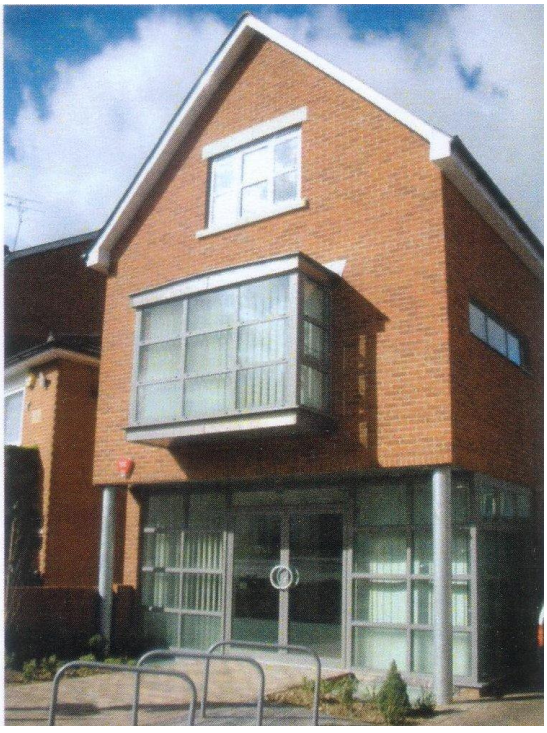
COMMENDATION New Build
BECKS MEWS, 108 Stockbridge Road

Architect : Chaplin Farrant Wiltshire, Winchester

Developer : Millgate (Winchester) Ltd

It was so encouraging to see some good spec housing in a field where mediocrity all too often prevails.





AWARD Extensions, Alterations and Refurbishment
DISCOVERY CENTRE

Architect : : Hampshire County Architects

Contractor : Mansell Construction Services Ltd, Southampton

This refurbishment respected Owen Carter's 1838 design for the Corn Exchange, whilst the extensions showed a skilful use of light and space without diminishing the original building.



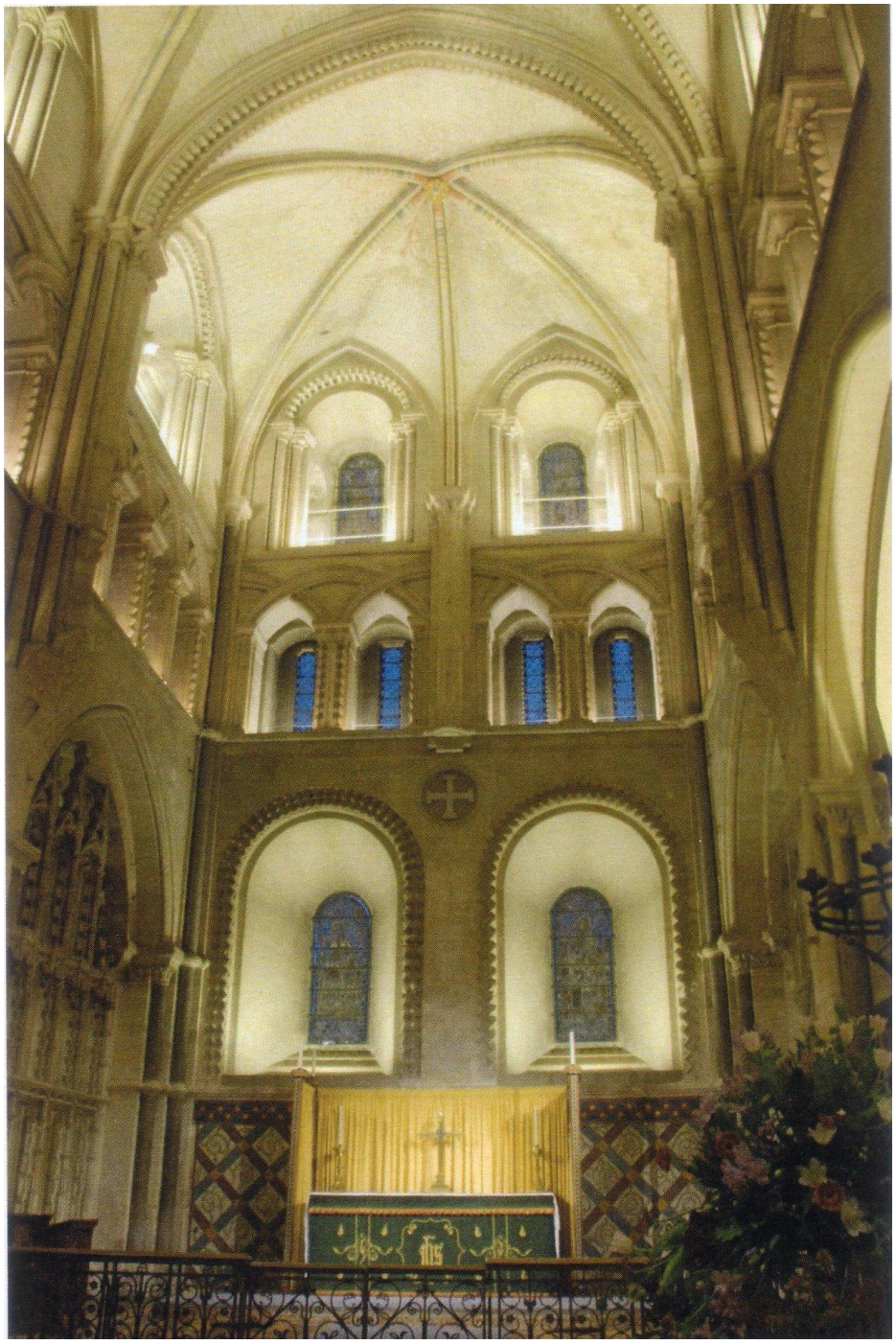
AWARD Extensions, Alterations and Refurbishment
ST CROSS CHURCH : NEW LIGHTING

Architect : Seymour Bainbridge, Winchester

Lighting Design : Light + Design Associates, London

Contractor : B. F. Keane + CBS Construction

The quality of this scheme was simply stunning!



COMMENDATION Extensions, Alterations and Refurbishment
SPARKLERS SURE START, WINNALL COMMUNITY CENTRE

Architect : Hampshire County Architects

Contractor : R V Dart and Son (Builders) Ltd., Romsey

Small, simply executed and achieved everything asked of it. Greater than the sum of its parts to make an important impact on the local community.



SUSTAINABILITY AWARD: Extensions, Alterations and Refurbishment
QUEEN Elizabeth II COURT

Architect : Hampshire County Architects (supported by Bennett Associates)

Contractor : BAM Construction, St Albans

Some concern about the mass of the building on its surroundings, but the interior design is most impressive. The impact on the working culture with open plan offices accommodating 75% more staff and a saving of 200K p.a. in running costs demonstrates just what a sound investment this should be in the long term. After much debate, the judges felt the environmental credentials were so important that the project should be given the Trust's Sustainability Award for 2010.

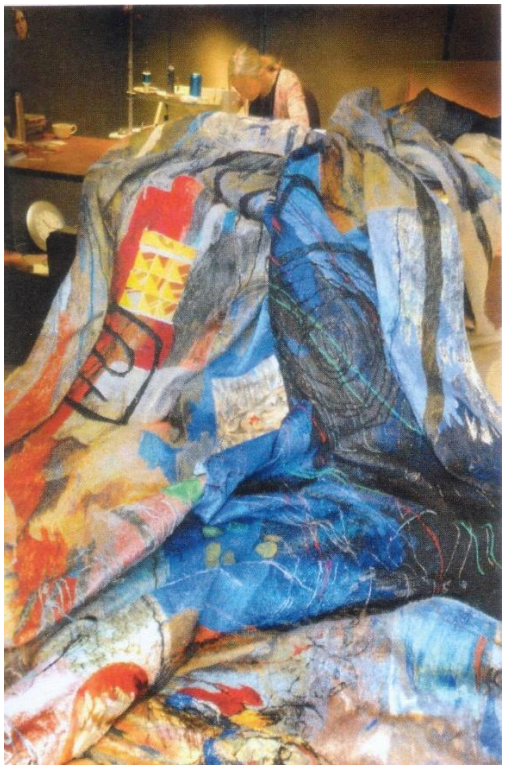


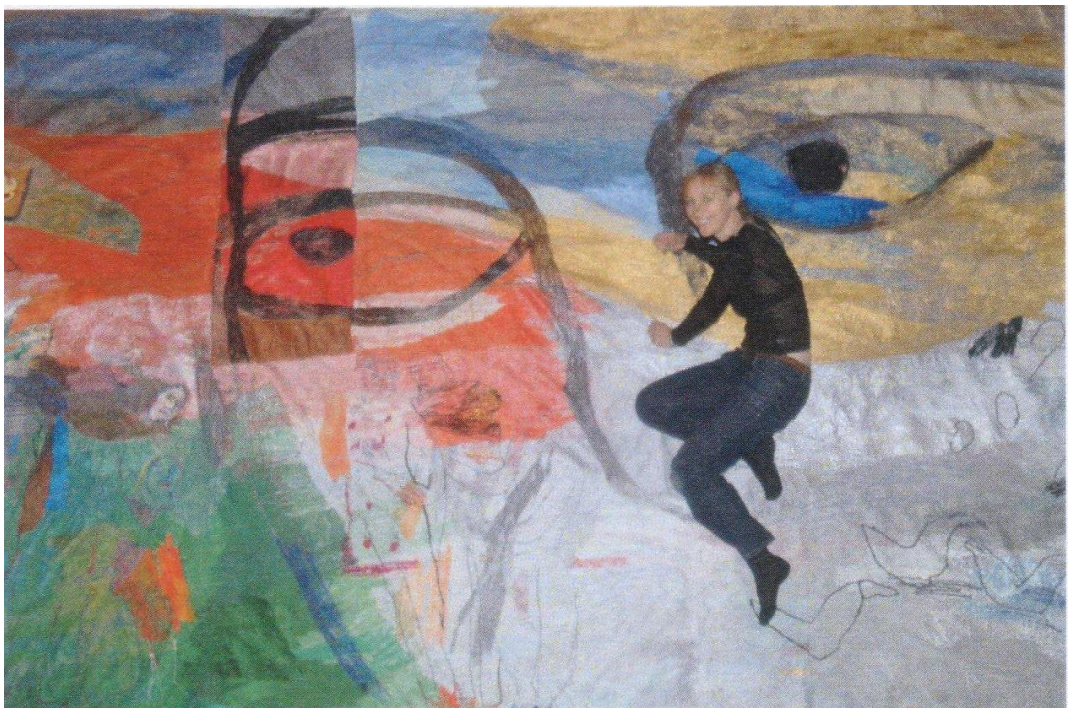
COMMENDATION : Public Art
LOOKING FORWARDS TO THE PAST

Artist : Alice Kettle

Client/Sponsor : Hampshire County Council

A vibrant and courageous wall hanging; a leap of faith to make a great impact both in the Discovery Centre and from the street outside, but some of the jury felt that the delicate nature of the textile layering was in danger of being lost in the huge scale of this embroidery.





COMMENDATION : Public Art
A COLLECTIVE OF ART WORKS ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

Wisdom & Lar by Alice Kettle

King Alfred Topiary Statue by Wadham Trading Co

Dancers by Lucy Unwin

Stained Glass Library Staircase by Sasha Ward + others commissioned in recent years

The Friends of Art at the University are to be commended for their ongoing sponsorship of sculptures, wall hanging, paintings and photographs over several years, and the contribution these pieces make to the university campus.





