

THE ROYAL AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS
CITATION FOR LIFE FELLOWSHIP – GREGORY BURGESS

Gregory Burgess is recognised as an architect of great distinction having developed a formidable body of built work and theoretical writings over nearly 3 decades. He has an enviable reputation both locally and internationally as an architect of great integrity and sensitivity.

His architecture is highly original, having embraced an almost primal sense of spirit of place and community. His office is unconventional in that it operates in a way reminiscent of the traditional atelier, in which a small number of highly talented people work together to produce outstanding results. He has also been a generous mentor to students, young graduates and emerging professionals as well as a great role model for the wider community.

Gregory Burgess has produced an astonishing volume of works for cultural organisations, religious bodies, galleries, local government, health facilities, education, exhibition design, urban planning / design and low and medium density housing, in both the public and private sectors. Much of that work has been recognised by awards from RALA and other professional bodies in Australia; he was also the recipient of the CAA Robert Matthew Award in 1997 and the RALA Gold Medal in 2004.

He has involved himself in teaching from 1980 to the present. His work has been widely exhibited and been the subject of publication in reviews and journals around the world. He has also participated in Government and Community forum, involved with Art and Design, Municipal Associations and is a Director of the Sophia Mundi Rudolph Steiner School at Abbotsford, Victoria.

Gregory Burgess is a consummate professional of great distinction, who has made an enduring contribution to the built form of the National Estate, that has set a very high standard in both interpretation and realisation of original building design.