

The 7th LIAS Awards of Excellence 2017: Celebrating the Landscape Community of Singapore

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The Landscape Industry Association (Singapore), an organisation for local landscape professionals and companies, recently announced the winners of the seventh edition of the LIAS Awards of Excellence 2017. Organised biennially, the award aims to honour the industry's *crème de la crème* and recognise the ongoing efforts in the local landscaping community. This year's awards were divided into seven categories – Implementation, Maintenance, Design And Build, Playground, Garden Retail/ Wholesale Outlets, Green Wall and Overseas Project.

Evaluation Criteria

Implementation

- Overall finished appearance of the project
- Level of difficulty in implementation
- Quality of plant materials
- Craftsmanship and quality of finish
- Standards of maintenance
- Installation techniques
- Execution of construction details
- Plant selection e.g. species diversity, contribution to faunal biodiversity, sustainability of plants, use of native plant species
- Conservation efforts & environmental sustainability

Maintenance

- Overall appearance of the project
- Cleanliness of landscape
- Standards of maintenance
- Condition of plant materials/plant beds
- Arboriculture practices and standard
- Degree of difficulty/challenges to maintain
- General condition of lawn areas
- Plant species diversity and contribution to faunal biodiversity
- Sustainability of plants
- Environmental sustainability

Design And Build

- Achieving design objectives/brief
- Overall impression of the project
- Overall design
- Overall finish quality
- Plant selection
- Hardscape
- Ease of maintenance and sustainability

Playground

- Overall impression of the project
- Overall layout
- Attention to safety standards of play equipment and surfacing
- Overall finish quality and workmanship
- Quality of maintenance and upkeep
- Accessibility to users of all abilities

Garden Retail/ Wholesale Outlets

- Effective use of space
- Originality and impact
- Quality of plants and/or merchandise displayed
- Visitor facilities, circulation and accessibility
- Signages and merchandise information
- Cleanliness and neatness of outlet

Green Wall

- Overall design and impression
- Plant selection
- Maintenance
- Environmental Sustainability and Benefits

Overseas Projects

- Overall design and build
- Green wall

Best of Category Winners

IMPLEMENTATION

Residential

Name Cairnhill 9 **Award Recipient** Eco Garden Pte Ltd
Location Singapore **Location** Singapore

The Mace is a celebration of the site's antiquity where abundant landscapes of nutmeg plantations once dominated the hill. With the concept of the landscape based on a dynamic harmony of plantation linearity and the interwoven curves of the nutmeg mace, this forms the thrill of imaginative experiences with the creation of interlocking spaces. Cultivating the essence of nutmeg, emerges the diversity of spaces complemented with the wonderful sense of tranquillity and genuine ambience of hotel and residential living within this prestigious estate.



The Mace with its lush, harmonious landscape celebrates the historic nutmeg plantation that once dominated Cairnhill

MAINTENANCE

Residential

Name Leedon Residence **Award Recipient** Plantwerkz Pte Ltd **Location** Singapore

Situated on an expansive 4.9-hectare site, Leedon Residence is one of the largest freehold residential developments in district 10. Complete with a 50m-lap pool and kids' pool, tenants can lounge at the bespoke poolside cabanas, work out at fitness corner within the forest walk, mingle with others while surrounded by nature in its various courts and landscape gardens designed in a contemporary style suited to reflect a modern lifestyle.



Leedon Residence reflects the true spirit of urban greening with its contemporary take on landscape design



The Kranji Marshes conservation area promotes the rich history of agriculture, aquaculture and horticulture industries that once thrived in the area.

IMPLEMENTATION

Public and Urban Spaces

Name Environmental Improvement Project at Kranji Marshes **Award Recipient** Landscape Engineering Pte Ltd **Location** Singapore

Kranji Marshes is a marshland located in the neighbourhood of Sungei Buloh reservoirs. It is jointly developed in collaboration with Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA), National Parks Board (NPARKS) and Water Resource Agent of the Public Utilities Board (PUB). Dubbed as the largest fresh water marshland in Singapore, it is home to more than 54 species of butterflies, 33 species of dragonflies and 170 species of birds. The Marshland is estimated to occupy an area of 56.8 ha. Kranji Marshes serves as a rest hub for the Round Island Route (RIR) and is also a conservation area, promoting Kranji's rich history.

MAINTENANCE

Public and Urban Spaces

Name Marina Gardens Drive at Gardens by the Bay
Award Recipient Tropic Planners & Landscape Pte Ltd
Location Singapore

Approaching the Gardens by road, it is easy to be awe-struck by the stretches of colour and impact of feature plants flashing past our sight. As we slow down and appreciate the details, it is easy to understand the challenges and care needed to keep these stretches looking their best. While most streetscape plants are trimmed mechanically into hedges and boxes, the plants here are selectively pruned, individually cared for and allowed to take their natural forms. The golden rain trees set the tone for unique planting scheme along the verge; special attention is given to ensure they receive the best nourishment and treatment. The main entrance is an integral part of the garden, giving visitors a prelude to the exciting gardens ahead and a lasting memory when they leave.



The Marina Gardens Drive is surrounded by lush foliage on both sides



The landscape for the Residence @ Berrima Road Landscape was designed to be a private hidden tropical garden scene

DESIGN AND BUILD

Small Projects

Name Residence @ Berrima Road **Award Recipient** Esmond Landscape and Horticultural Pte Ltd
Location Singapore

The architecture and landscape of the house are of an Asian tropical design concept with its wooden ceiling and a unique entrance to the house. This provides an opportunity to create a lush tropical pathway to the main door of the house. With an age old *Plumeria "Alba"* at the main gate that leads along the passage with *Heliconia marginata*, *Musa* and other tropical plants to welcome their guests to this exotic surrounding. The patio is draped with the creeper *Vernonia elliptica* along the roof that partly expose the garden with two mature trees, *Dalbergia oliveri* and *Bucida molineti*. The poolside is planted with a variety of trees to represent the diversity of this garden as well as to provide privacy to the family. The second level overlooks beautiful greenery grown on the car porch and patio roof. This landscape was designed to be a private hidden tropical garden scene.

Gold Award Winners**Implementation – Residential**

- Cairnhill 9 by Eco Garden Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- The Glades At Tanah Merah by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd
- Bubble Tanks and Waterwalls at Concourse Skyline by Landscape Engineering Pte Ltd

Implementation – Non-Residential

- Enabling Village by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Oasia Hotel by Tropical Environment Pte Ltd

Implementation – Public And Urban Spaces

- Environmental Improvement Project at Kranji Marshes by Landscape Engineering Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Understory at Gardens by the Bay by Tropic Planners & Landscape Pte Ltd
- Rain Garden, Lorong 8 Toa Payoh by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd

Maintenance – Residential

- Leedon Residences by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Costa Del Sol by Goodlandscape Pte Ltd
- Tree House by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd

Maintenance – Non-Residential

- Cactus Garden at Changi Airport T1 by Mao Sheng Quanji Construction Pte Ltd

Maintenance – Public And Urban Spaces

- Marina Gardens Drive at Gardens by the Bay by Tropic Planners & Landscape Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Gardens by the Bay (Bay South 3) by Swee Bee Contractor Pte Ltd

Design And Build – Small Project

- Residence @ Berrima Road by Esmond Landscape & Horticultural Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Mimosa Walk by Living Décor (S) Pte Ltd

Greenwall

- Vertical Greenwall @ Stevens Road Residence By Mandala Landscapes

Playground

- Underwater Themed Aquatic Playground - Splash @ Kidz Amaze (SAFRA Punggol) by CT-Art Creation Pte Ltd (Best of Category)
- Destination Park Marine Cove-East Coast Park by CT-Art Creation Pte Ltd

Retail, Nursery And Wholesale Space

- Garden Center @ 15 Bah Soon Pah Road by Hua Hng Trading Co Pte Ltd
- Plantwerkz Nursery by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd

Silver Award Winners**Implementation – Residential**

- Bartley Residence by Scenic Landscape Pte Ltd
- The Tembusu by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd
- Greenwood Mews by City Garden Pte Ltd
- Leedon Residence by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd
- Skyville at Dawson by Prince's Landscape & Construction Pte Ltd
- Skyline 1 by Prince's Landscape & Construction Pte Ltd
- Hillsta by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd

Implementation – Non-Residential

- Mapletree Business City 2 by Tropical Environment Pte Ltd
- Como Dempsey by ISS Hydroculture Pte Ltd

Implementation – Public And Urban Spaces

- Proposed Development of Coney Island, Singapore by G. T. H. Engineering & Construction Pte Ltd

Maintenance – Residential

- The Minton by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd

Maintenance – Non-Residential

- CapitaGreen by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd
- The Metropolis by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd
- BCA Academy by Tropic Planners & Landscape Pte Ltd

Design And Build – Small Project

- Wilby Road House by Nyee Phoe Flower Garden Pte Ltd

Open

- One Canberra Executive Condominium by MCC Land (S) Pte Ltd
- The Nautical by MCC Land (S) Pte Ltd

Playground

- Happy Park at Waterway Point by Playpoint (Singapore) Pte Ltd
- Dulwich College by Playpoint (Singapore) Pte Ltd

Bronze Award Winners**Implementation – Residential**

- 3 Orchard-By-The-Park by Plantwerkz Pte Ltd
- Gramercy Park by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd

Oversea

- Le Nouvel, KLCC by Nature Landscapes Pte Ltd

Merit Award Winners**Implementation – Residential**

- Waterbay by ISS Hydroculture Pte Ltd

Greenwall

- Mixed Development @ 15 Cairnhill Road by Uniseal Singapore Pte Ltd
- Capitol by Tropical Environment Pte Ltd

Oversea

- Cinemaxx Junior by Playpoint (Singapore) Pte Ltd