

# People's Choice Award voting opens in RAH competition

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
The concept aims to reinvigorate the multiple blocks of sites on the site through a fully bonded and integrated approach to the design brief. The concept seeks to reinvigorate the site through a fully bonded and integrated approach to the design brief. The concept seeks to reinvigorate the site through a fully bonded and integrated approach to the design brief.

**KEY IDEAS**

- LARGER OPEN SPACES** - Create a series of open spaces including a central courtyard and a series of smaller courtyards.
- LANDSCAPE INTEGRATION** - Integrate the landscape into the building design through a series of courtyards and green spaces.
- AREA OF BUILT FORM: GREEN OPEN** - Create a series of built form elements that are integrated with the landscape.
- GREEN SPACES** - Create a series of green spaces that are integrated with the building design.
- PUBLIC ROOM** - Create a series of public rooms that are integrated with the building design.
- ROOF GARDENS** - Create a series of roof gardens that are integrated with the building design.
- ROOF GARDENS & GROUND PLANE** - Create a series of roof gardens and ground plane elements that are integrated with the building design.
- LANDMARKS** - Create a series of landmarks that are integrated with the building design.

RAH concept board by Zuzana & Nicholas (Queensland).

**Voting is now** open in the People's Choice Award for the Royal Adelaide Hospital (RAH) Site International Design Competition, with assessment of final submissions from the shortlisted teams now completed by the competition judges.

The six teams shortlisted in September 2013 – Oculus (NSW), Slash (Victoria), Zuzana & Nicholas (Queensland), Bondhag & De Rosa (Germany), Nice Architects (Slovakia) and Ysalazam (Colombia) – were chosen from 126 submissions spanning twenty-four countries. You can vote online until 9 December 2013, ranking all six concepts across the four criteria listed below.

From the outset, the competition aimed to set a benchmark in community engagement for a public space design competition, with the goal of “looking for a landmark precinct, not a landmark building,” according to Stuart Harrison in his ArchitectureAU discussion of the competition.

With that mind, an Open Ideas Marketplace was held in August 2013 to gather views and feedback from the public about their vision for the site, and stakeholders have been polled for their views. Reports on both these initiatives have informed the final submissions by the shortlisted teams, and are available to read online.

## People's Choice Award voting criteria

### Connected and integrated

- How well does it connect with the surrounding areas?
- The site needs to connect and enhance its parkland surrounds, the adjacent universities and support the East End Precinct and the city.
- The design needs to improve the way Adelaide fits together.

### Innovative and economically viable

- Does the design breath new life into the site?
- The site currently supports 470,000 out-patients, 80,000 in-patients and 4500 staff per year.
- The new design needs to demonstrate adaptive reuses, innovative new uses and bring a new

population to the site to ensure sustainability for the East End, the Greater Riverbank Precinct and the state.

**An inclusive place**

- Is this site a place you'd like to spend time?
- The site needs to create public open spaces and be a place for everyone.
- The design needs to make it easy for diverse community use.

**Cultural heritage**

- Does the design respect the history of the buildings and the site's cultural significance?
- The site is a key site along the cultural boulevard of North Terrace and within the Education and Culture Precinct of the Riverbank Precinct.
- The design needs to demonstrate best practice sustainable design, including adaptive reuse.

**Key dates**

- 18–20 November – jury deliberates
- 22 November – final design submissions released and People's Choice Award voting opens
- 22 November – RAH Site International Design Competition exhibition of entries opens
- 9 December – People's Choice Award voting closes
- 10 December – design competition, student competition and People's Choice Award results announced

**Competition jury**

Shelley Penn (chair, Australian Institute of Architects immediate past national president), Bob Nation (architect), Dr Catherin Bull (University of Melbourne), Timothy Hill (Donovan Hill), Tim Horton (architect), Marcus Spiller (SGS Economics & Planning), Catherine Slessor (*The Architectural Review*)

**Exhibition**

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