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Six finalists shortlisted for design of old Royal Adelaide Hospital site when it's vacant

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A JUDGING panel has delivered its verdict on how the Royal Adelaide Hospital precinct should look - now it is up to you to have a say in our survey below.

Six finalists, chosen by a panel of architects and planners, have produced designs for the prime North Tce site, which will be vacant when the hospital is relocated further west, near West Tce, in 2016.

The six finalists came from 126 entries from around the world including 29 from SA, none of which made the final cut, and progress to stage II. [. \(https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2M57C3J\)](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2M57C3J)

The final three will be announced in December and share in \$300,000 prize money on a first, second and third basis not broken down by Govt - but there is no guarantee the State Government will use any of the designs for the site



Zuzana & Nicholas plan from Queensland

Public feedback will be taken into account when the jury selects the three winners, plus a People's Choice, but people polled by The Advertiser yesterday initially balked at some of the designs.

Some waiting at a bus stop outside the existing RAH were less than impressed, labelling the designs anything from "sterile highrise" to "Yatala (prison) in the city."

The judges unanimously short-listed submissions from teams in Victoria, Slovakia, Queensland, Colombia, New South Wales and Germany and the designs range from high rise - from the Nice Architects, of Slovakia - to one from Zuzana and Nicholas, in Queensland, which some outside the RAH likened to the Inverbrackie detention centre.



Ysalazam plan from Colombia

Deputy Premier John Rau encouraged public comments on the designs.

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"This is when the public can see the designs, comment on their merits and share ideas about the possibilities for the RAH site," he said.

"By early December we will have all of the information that we need from the community, interested parties and the design teams, to help form a new vision for the Royal Adelaide Hospital site."



Bondhag & De Rosa plan from Germany

The short-listed teams will work with a registered South Australian architect to develop their ideas.

Chair of the judging jury, Shelley Penn, said selecting finalists was not easy.

"It was a real challenge to select six short-listed teams from such a broad and innovative range of entries," Ms Penn said.



Nice Architects plan from Slovakia

"After a rigorous review process, the jury was unanimous in determining that the short-listed submissions offered a range of engaging possibilities and options for the site, and (the jury) is excited about seeing these ideas develop in Stage 2."

A public exhibition of the six proposals, plus all submissions from Stage 1 of the competition, is on display at the State Archives Building in Leigh Street, in the city, or online at

www.odasa.sa.gov.au/rahsite (<http://www.odasa.sa.gov.au/rahsite/>).

Government architect Ben Hewett said that an open ideas design process would stimulate creativity and innovation.





Slash's plan from Victoria

"This is a process similar to that which developed some of Australia's great sites, including Melbourne's Spencer Street Station," Mr Hewett said.

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Plans for the old Royal Adelaide Hospital precinct

1. Which artist's plan do you like most of all?

- Oculus plan from New South Wales
- Bondhag & De Rosa from Germany
- Zuzana & Nicholas plan from Queensland
- Slash plan from Victoria
- Nice Architects plan from Slovakia
- Ysalazam plan from Colombia
- NONE OF THEM - Back to the drawing board

Leave a comment - what led to your decision



Oculus plan from New South Wales

WHAT THE ADVERTISER'S VOX-POP SURVEY REVEALED

Gophal Singh, Yunta.

"The Colombian one is OK but they are all pretty awful."

Carlene Nola, Yunta.

"Nothing really grabs me."



The current exterior of the Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Cheryl Interona, Whyalla.

"One of them looks like an industrial graveyard. Can't say "

Mark Gurney, Millicent

"They are not great — this should be used for accommodation and teaching

Bettenna French, Davoran Park.

"The German one is OK but really ..."

Ken Brownfield, Smithfield

"None of them stand out."
