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SAFETY A PRIORITY AT MASTER BUILDERS AWARDS

Construction site safety and a commitment to good occupational safety and health (OSH) management practices is a big area of focus for WA builders.

To showcase some of the best practices in site safety and the initiatives builders are undertaking to reduce the number of incidents, Master Builders has introduced an Excellence in Workplace Health & Safety Award. This prestigious award is supported by the Mark Allen Memorial Trust Fund and will be presented at the Master Builders-Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards in July.

Master Builders Executive Director, Michael McLean, said the Excellence in Workplace Health & Safety Award promotes best practice OSH on building and construction projects across the whole of WA.

“This sought after award provides credibility to builders’ risk management strategies and performance, and ultimately reinforces what principal contractors are doing in their endeavours to achieve greater site safety,” Mr McLean said.

“Although there have been two tragic fatalities in our industry over the last six months with young workers falling from height, the construction industry has a good record when it comes to site safety. But more needs to be done to create a zero harm work environment,” Mr McLean said.

The Master Builders-Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards recognise the top WA commercial builders and their projects, based on the quality of their workmanship and construction excellence, and are now open for entry.

“We encourage all builders who have not already done so to enter these prestigious awards, because what better way to promote the outstanding contributions made by commercial builders in WA than recognising and celebrating their successes at an industry event,” Mr McLean said.

Other award categories presented at the awards include Multi-Unit Development, Health/Aged Care, Retail, Education, State Government, and Office Buildings.

The Master Builders-Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards are judged by an independent panel comprising representatives from the Australian Institute of Architects, Engineers Australia and Master Builders Association.

The winning projects will be announced at a gala dinner on Saturday, 22 July 2017 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Entries close Friday, 10 March and you can enter online at www.mbawa.com.

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