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Multiplex Wins Top Construction Award... Again!

Multiplex has won the 2018 Bankwest Best Project in this year's Master Builders-Bankwest Excellence in Construction Awards for their construction of Optus Stadium and Stadium Park.

Located in Burswood, the Optus Stadium is a 60,000 seat multi-purpose world-class venue.

Designed with a 'fans first' philosophy in mind, the Stadium delivers an unrivalled experience for West Australians and other spectators.

Multiplex's scope also included delivery of the surrounding Stadium Park, offering year-round community facilities including parklands, nature play areas, restaurants, an amphitheatre and a pedestrian and cyclist network.

Master Builders' Awards judge, Mr Rod Mollett, congratulated the team from Multiplex on an exceptionally well-executed project.

"Construction of the Optus Stadium and Stadium Park was one of the most significant public infrastructure projects undertaken in Western Australia in recent years and Multiplex are to be congratulated for the high level of project management expertise applied and the quality of workmanship and finish achieved in the Stadium's delivery."

Mr Mollett described the Stadium as, "an outstanding, indeed iconic, example of such multi use arenas and provides Perth with a state of the art facility and the opportunity to attract major sporting and cultural events long into the future."

The Bankwest Best Project Award is presented to a project constructed over the past 12 months which has achieved excellence in quality of construction, project management, value for money, innovation and site management.

The Stadium project outscored fellow finalists Perkins Builders for the Bannister Downs Dairy in Boorara Brook, Doric Contractors for the Red Earth Arts Precinct in Karratha and Georgiou Group for the Aubin Grove Train Station.

Multiplex also won Awards for Construction on a Challenging Site, Best Government Building Over \$100 million and Best Public Use Building Over \$100 million for the Optus Stadium and Stadium Park Project and the Best Building Fit-Out \$50-100 million Award for the Telethon Kids Institute Fit-Out.

Master Builders Executive Director, Mr Michael McLean, said Multiplex deserved all of the accolades bestowed on its team for a truly outstanding construction project.

"Optus Stadium was a remarkably challenging project which required the builder to be "on the ball" from the excavation and piling stage right through to the sports arena lighting and installing the largest super-screens in the southern hemisphere."

“The Multiplex team of construction managers, consultants, specialist contractors, building workers and apprentices all excelled in delivering a first-class project which they should be extremely proud of.”

“It’s projects like these that showcase the capabilities of our great industry and provide clients and the public with confidence and enhance the infrastructure of our economy,” Mr McLean concluded.

“This is the 10th time in the Awards’ 29-year history that Multiplex has won this prestigious award,” Mr McLean said.

Other winners on the night included Built for Best Refurbishment or Renovation \$50 - \$100 million for the Intercontinental Hotel, Doric Contractors Pty Ltd for Best Retail Building \$50 - \$100 million for Marketlane Subi, PS Structures Pty Ltd for Best Industrial Building \$5 - \$10 million for the Pluslife - Perth Bone and Tissue Bank in Midland and McCorkell Constructions (WA) Pty Ltd for Best Historic Restoration or Renovation \$1.5 - \$5 million for the Fremantle Town Hall.

This year, the awards were held on Saturday, 21 July at a gala function at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre, attended by a record crowd of over 750 industry representatives and guests.

A list of all the award-winning projects at this year’s awards can be accessed via www.mbawa.com/awards-winners.

Multiplex will now compete against the best builders in all other states and territories at Master Builders National Housing and Construction Awards in Adelaide on Saturday 24 November.

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