

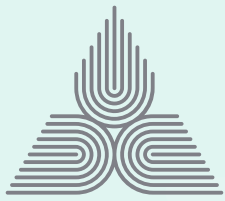


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Image Above| 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Infrastructure
Reimagining Tarralla Creek
by GHDWoodhead
Wurundjeri Woiwurrung Country
Photo by David Hannah

Cover Page| 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Parks and Open Space
Kensington Wama / Kensington Gardens Reserve
by ASPECT Studios, Southfront, The City of Burnside
Kurna Meyunna Yerta
Photo by Dan Schultz



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Acknowledgment of Country

AILA **acknowledges** and respects Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples across Australia as the Traditional Custodians of the lands, waters, seas and skies.

We **recognise** their unique ability to care for Country and their deep spiritual connection with Country.

We **honour** Elders past, present and emerging, whose knowledge and wisdom will ensure the continuation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, and the values which uphold them.

Image | 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture UN/EARTH. Tour supported by Christie Barbecues Willunga Basin Cultural & Ecological Regeneration Tour Led by Karl Winda Telfer, Burka, Mullawirra Meyu and Dr Gavin Malone, Cultural Geographer and Visual Artist.
Photo by Yan Chen

President's Report

Shaping the Future of Landscape Architecture

Dear Members,

As we reflect on the evolving nature of our profession, I'm proud to share progress on several key initiatives that the Board has directed AILA to pursue. Our collective goal is to ensure that AILA is 'fit for the future', aiming to be the leading voice for the built environment. To position AILA's growth, we must be efficient, effective, and resilient in the face of change. We are focused on diversifying our income streams, operating as one cohesive organisation, evolving our membership and registration, and restructuring our committees for greater impact.



Ben Willsmore
AILA President

Fit for the Future: Embracing a Long-term Vision

The term 'Fit for the Future' reflects our ambition to create a resilient, forward-thinking member organisation. But what does that really mean?

It means we are not just reacting to current challenges but are proactively preparing for what's on the horizon. As the Board, we are starting to look at a 10-year horizon, considering the long-term trends that will impact our profession, our members, and the communities we serve. Climate change, urbanisation, technological advances, and evolving public expectations are just a few of the factors that will shape our work.

Planning with a 10-year vision allows us to ensure that AILA continues to lead and support the profession as these changes unfold. We want to be ready for the opportunities and challenges of the future, aligning our resources and energy in a way that ensures we remain relevant and impactful in shaping the built and natural environments. We are actively assessing how we can future-proof our strategies, our services, and the value we offer to our members, partners and society at large.

Becoming Efficient and Effective: Focusing on What Matters Most

To be 'effective', we need to prioritise the important things that have the biggest impact on the profession, drive the profession forward and support our members in meaningful ways.

Our key areas of focus include:

- **Advocacy:** ensuring that landscape architecture is recognised as a critical contributor to addressing some of society's most pressing issues.

- Education: supporting the next generation of landscape architects and ensuring that our members have access to high-quality professional development.
- Member Engagement: fostering a vibrant and connected membership community.
- At the same time, we are working on becoming more 'efficient'. This means streamlining our processes, refining our systems, and seeking synergies with other organisations to maximise the impact of our resources. We are collaborating more closely with industry partners, government bodies, and educational institutions to leverage opportunities and reduce duplication of effort. By focusing on efficiencies, we can do more with less and ensure that our members get the most value from their involvement with AILA.

Diversifying Income: Building Financial Resilience

As we look toward the future, one of the key strategic priorities is to diversify our revenue base. The Board are conscious that a significant portion of AILA's revenue comes from membership fees. Over the past four years, we've successfully reduced membership revenue as a proportion of total income from 70% to 60%. Our goal over the next 5 to 10 years is to reduce this further to 30%, making us less reliant on member fees.

This strategy is crucial for the long-term sustainability of AILA. By expanding and growing our revenue streams, we can fund more programs, invest in innovation, and support members in new and exciting ways. We are exploring new partnerships, grants, sponsorship opportunities,

and revenue-generating programs that align with our mission and provide value to our members and the broader community.

One AILA: Strength in Unity

'One AILA' is a concept that reflects our commitment to providing a single AILA member experience regardless of where you are in the country. We can achieve this by working collectively as one unified organisation, providing a range of accessible services and standards of events or activities, while still celebrating the diversity and unique strengths of our individual chapters. It's about ensuring that we all pull in the same direction, guided by a shared vision and purpose to achieve a national impact.

We want to encourage creativity and flair at the chapter level, where local issues and opportunities can be addressed in innovative ways. By working as one, we can amplify local initiatives to our collective voice and achieve greater scalable impact. This balance between unity and diversity is what makes AILA strong, and we are committed to fostering this approach moving forward.

Committee Restructure: Maximising Volunteer Time

Our committees are the lifeblood of AILA, powered by the passion and dedication of our members. To ensure that we are maximising this precious volunteer time and their expertise, we have undertaken a review and a restructure of our committees.



Image | 2023 Board Dinner (Left to Right) Ben Stockwin, Jasmine Ong, Cia Flannery, Andy Sharp, Ben Willsmore, Peta-Maree Ashford, Katie Earle

We want to ensure that our committees are aligned with our strategic priorities and that their efforts are focused on delivering outcomes at a national and state level.

The restructure considers opportunities to consolidate effort and ensure that every volunteer's time is spent in ways that make the greatest impact. We want a committee structure where members can make a positive contribution regardless of their stage in their career, or availability of time.

We also want to ensure greater clarity between national and state groups, to avoid duplication or confusion, to ensure that our committees are empowered to deliver real change for the profession.

Acknowledging Our Staff: A Shout-out to the Team

Lastly, I want to take a moment to acknowledge the incredible work of our staff. They have embraced change and adapted their ways of working to continue to support our membership with passion and dedication.

Their hard work, creativity, and commitment to AILA's mission are truly inspiring. From managing day-to-day operations to supporting strategic initiatives, our staff are an essential part of what makes AILA such a strong and dynamic organisation.

Thank you to each and every one of you for your ongoing support and engagement. Together, we are shaping a vibrant and sustainable future for landscape architecture.

Warm regards,

Ben Willsmore, AILA President

On behalf of the AILA Board (2024)

Jasmine Ong	Vice-President
Andy Sharp	Director
Katie Earle	Director
Cia Flannery	Secretary
Peta-Maree Ashford	2023 President



Image | 2023 AILA President's Annual Meeting

CEO's Report

As we reflect on the 2023/24 year, I am proud of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) and the remarkable strides we've made in driving forward our mission to create great places that support healthy communities and a sustainable planet. This year has been one of growth, resilience, and transformation, as we continue to champion the landscape architecture profession across Australia.

Our commitment to sustainability, member support, and advocacy has been underpinned by AILA's Strategic Plan, which continues to guide our efforts. This year, we've seen significant progress in delivering on our key pillars of Sustainable AILA, Membership, Education, Advocacy, and Profile.

Financial sustainability remains at the heart of everything we do. This year presented some key challenges to me, the AILA board and the broader AILA team. The uncovering of a systemic error in our accounting systems meant that we posted an unexpected loss and reduced our retained earnings. We have, however, corrected the error and implemented safeguards to ensure it does not repeat. We have also set an ambitious, yet achievable target surplus for 2024/25 to rebuild our reserves to ensure we are fit for future.

Sustainability is more than just financial. Through strategic partnerships and increased collaboration with government and industry, we've advanced our efforts to shape a more sustainable future for the profession. From providing thought leadership on climate-positive design, to supporting projects that enhance biodiversity, and embedding indigenous knowledge of working with Country, AILA's role as a sustainability leader has strengthened.

We have also continued to listen and respond to our members, enhancing the value proposition of AILA membership and ensuring that our programs reflect the needs of a growing and increasingly complex profession. Our professional development offerings have expanded, including new resources for early-career professionals and enriched Continuing Professional Development (CPD) opportunities, to keep our members at the cutting edge of landscape architecture. We look forward to the recommendations from the membership committee coming from the national membership and registration roundtables to make AILA membership inclusive of all landscape architects, regardless to role, sector or title. We will also focus on ways to make the institute and profession more welcoming and supporting the next generation of landscape architects as they find their feet in the world of place making.



Image | Ben Stockwin at the 2023 AILA National Awards Ceremony

This year also marked important steps toward having landscape architect registration recognised and more valued than ever by our members, government and stakeholders alike. Registration continues to be a cornerstone of our advocacy efforts as we develop the mechanisms to have landscape architects recognised as design and build practitioners or equivalent in all jurisdictions, demonstrating the critical role of landscape architects in the built environment.

On the education front, we remain committed to sustaining and bolstering landscape architecture programs across Australia. We are proud to have supported the academic community and future professionals through our Be a Landscape Architect campaign, impacting more students than ever before, including former BALA alumni enrolling this year in Landscape Architect courses. We still need to do more and look forward to developing closer and pragmatic ties with our accredited programs, ensuring that AILA's educational initiatives remain robust and impactful, and a domestic pipeline of graduates is secured.

As we look ahead, our focus on advocacy will only intensify. The role of landscape architects is being recognised at all levels of government, and we are proud to see the profession gaining the respect it deserves in the broader built environment sector and the communities we serve. We have seen the benefits of partnering with other design institutes at a local, state and federal level pay dividends through initiatives such as Parliamentary Friends of Australian Urban Design and the launch of the Qld Olympic design manifesto, 'Green Pathways, Gold Places'.

Finally, the profile of landscape architecture continues to grow. Through various campaigns and initiatives, AILA has reinforced its position as a leader in shaping resilient and thriving communities. We have strengthened connections with our partners, expanded our reach, and promoted the critical importance of our profession. The 2024 AILA awards program received an unprecedented amount coverage, including mainstream daily newspapers and prime time news features. Anecdotally, I often hear that the name of AILA and landscape architects are more prominent than ever before.

I would like to make special acknowledgement of the staff of AILA, they are truly a 'dream team', and I am constantly in admiration of the collegiality, commitment and willingness to grow as our operating environment changes. What makes these people exceptionally adapt is their ability to do this in a virtual environment. Once again, thank you super stars.

In closing, I would like to also extend my heartfelt thanks to our members, partners, committee members, chapter executives and AILA board who have been instrumental in AILA's successes this year. Together, we are shaping a brighter future for landscape architecture and the communities we serve. I look forward to continuing this journey with you all in the year ahead.

Warm regards,

Ben Stockwin

Chief Executive Officer

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects



Image1 (Left to Right) Ben Stockwin and Andy Sharp at 2024 ACT Awards



Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Infrastructure
The Drying Green
by McGregor Coxall with the City of Sydney and Regal Innovations
Gadigal people of the Eora Nation
Photo by Simon Wood Photography

Strategic Plan Summary

Vision + Mission

The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) leads a dynamic and respected profession: creating great places to support healthy communities and a sustainable planet.

Strategic Values

Our values are imbued in everything we do and are the lens through which we operationalise this plan.



Strategic Pillars

1. Sustainable AILA

- AILA has a financially stable base from which to develop and meet our strategic objectives
- AILA continues to review and improve its Governance framework
- AILA has a safe, supportive and growth oriented culture

2. Membership

- AILA understands and is responsive to the needs of its members
- The value proposition for AILA membership for all Landscape Architects is growing
- AILA registration is sought after by Landscape Architects and valued by stakeholders

3. Education

- Australia's landscape architecture programs, and student and academic communities are sustained and bolstered
- AILA's CPD program meets the needs of a growing and dynamic profession

4. Advocacy

- The role of landscape architecture is understood and respected by all levels of Australian government

5. Profile

- The role of landscape architecture is understood and respected by built environmental professionals and the communities in which we live

Sustainable AILA

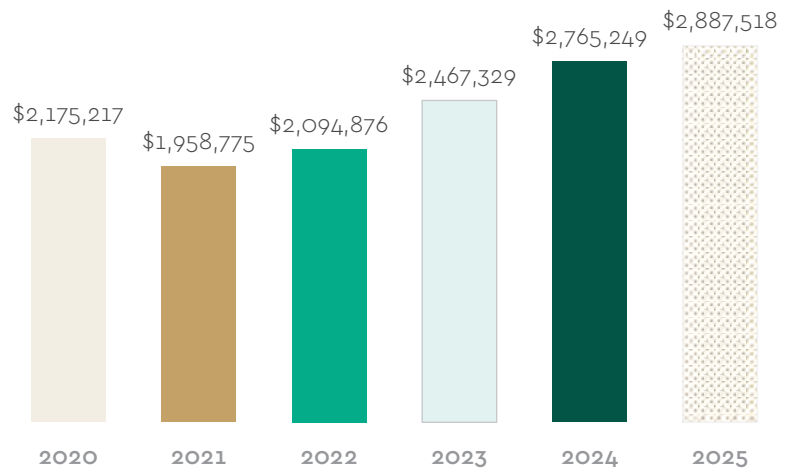
This past year, The Australian Institute of Landscape Architects (AILA) has remained focused on laying a strong and sustainable foundation for the future, despite the challenges presented by a shifting economic environment. Central to this effort has been an ongoing review of our governance structures, aimed at better aligning the work of our chapter executives and committees with our national committees and Board. This is part of our commitment to making AILA future-ready, ensuring that our systems, processes, and operations are effective and efficient. The Committee Restructure Working Group is set to continue this vital work throughout 2024/25, with findings to be presented to the Board after extensive consultation and workshopping.

During the year, we welcomed a new director, Cia Flannery, to the Board, while Ben Willsmore was reappointed for a second term. They joined continuing directors Andy Sharp, Katie Earle, and Jasmine Ong, to make up the Board of five.

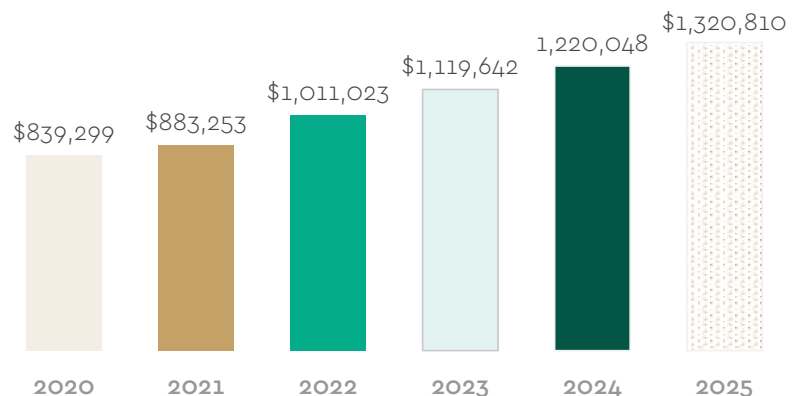
A significant milestone in 2023/24 was the continued implementation of the 'One AILA' operational strategy. This approach has allowed us to unify our national assets while retaining the flexibility to support chapter-led initiatives, creating a truly integrated and collaborative structure. The success of this strategy is a testament to the dedication of our chapters, committees, and staff, who have worked together to elevate the profession. By focusing on a more defined set of key activities, we can maximise the impact of our collective efforts, especially the invaluable time and contributions of our volunteers.

Despite the broader economic climate, with inflationary pressures significantly impacting our operational costs, AILA's revenue streams have demonstrated resilience. Membership growth remained strong, and there was a marked recovery in event-related income. This highlights the enduring value our members place on AILA's offerings, even in uncertain times.

Revenue



Membership Income



Sustainable AILA

A key component of AILA's long-term financial strategy is diversifying revenue streams to reduce reliance on membership fees as our primary source of income. We've already made progress toward this goal, with membership now representing 61% of our total revenue in the 2024/25 budget, well down from previous years. Our long-term vision is to further reduce this to 30% within the next 5-10 years by expanding and growing other revenue sources.

During the year, AILA identified and addressed an error in our financial systems, which had led us to overestimate income in previous years. The result was a write-down of approximately \$130,000 in bad debts, leading to a reported loss of \$20,835 for the financial year. While this loss represents just 0.55% of our operating budget, it does impact our retained earnings, which have been drawn down over two years of strategic investment. To rebuild member equity, AILA has set a prudent and achievable budget target of a \$170,000 surplus for 2024/25, aiming to restore reserves above \$200,000.

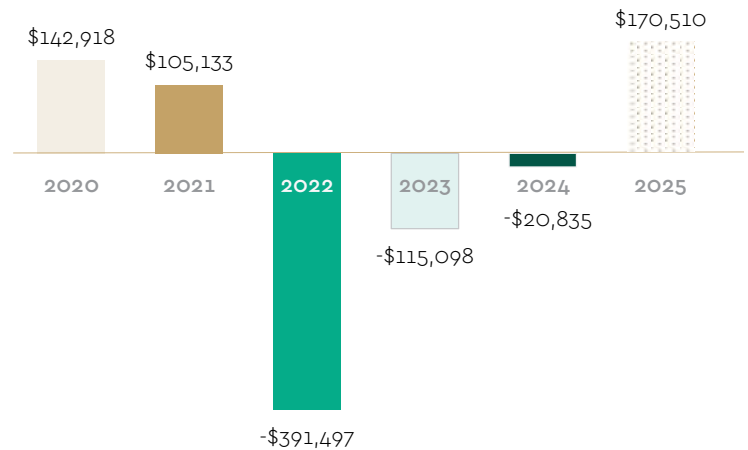
We want to assure our members that the financial systems error has been fully rectified, with additional safeguards and checks now in place to prevent any recurrence. Over the year, we also sought independent financial advice from multiple source to ensure that we are operating in line with best practices and CEO and Directors within their fiduciary duties.

The fact that AILA has been able to respond swiftly and effectively to these challenges reflects the fundamental sustainability of our business model. Our continued growth across all areas of the organisation reinforces the confidence we have in our future.

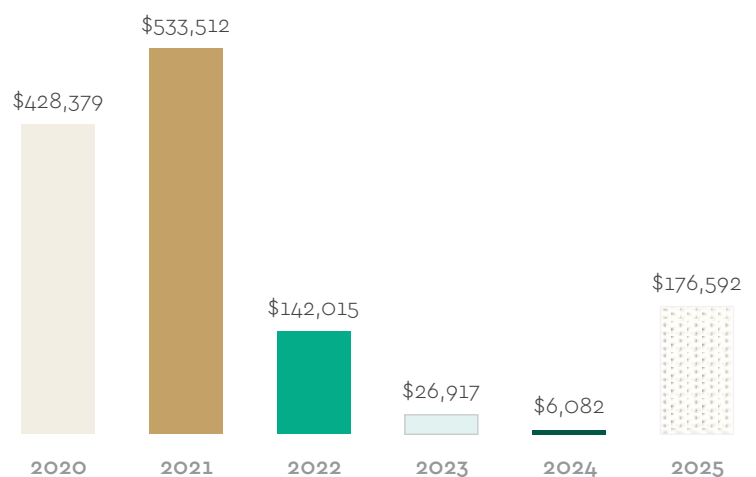
Looking ahead, the Board is fully committed to restoring and strengthening our financial position while enhancing the value we deliver to members. With a forward-looking budget for 2024/25, we will continue building on AILA's legacy as we approach our 60th anniversary in 2026.

Transparency, governance, and a strong member focus remain the pillars of AILA's journey, and we are excited to continue shaping the future of landscape architecture together.

Profit and Loss



Retained Earnings



2023-24 Overview

101
FY 2023

Events Held

157
FY2024

6,463
FY2023

Registrations

10,464
FY2024

41
FY2023

Online

100
FY2024

60
FY2023

In Person

57
FY2024

\$698,430
FY2023

Events Value

\$846,304
REVENUE FY2024

\$1,119,642
FY2023

Membership

\$1,220,048
REVENUE FY2024

-\$115,098
FY2023

Net Loss

-\$20,835
FY2024

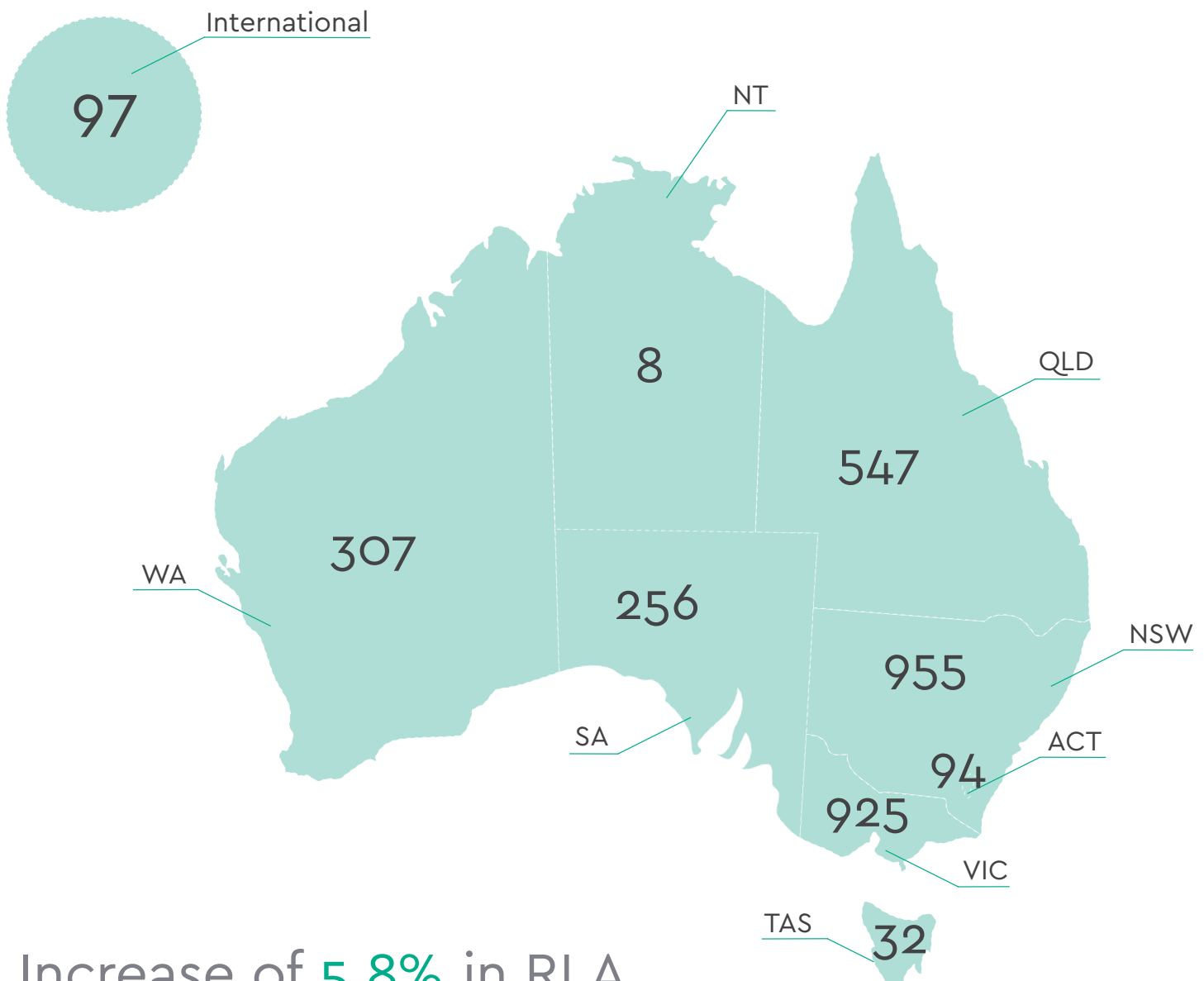
\$26,917
FY2023

Retained
Earnings

\$6,082
FY2024

AILA Membership

FY2024 **3221**
AILA MEMBERS



Increase of **5.8%** in RLA members from FY2023

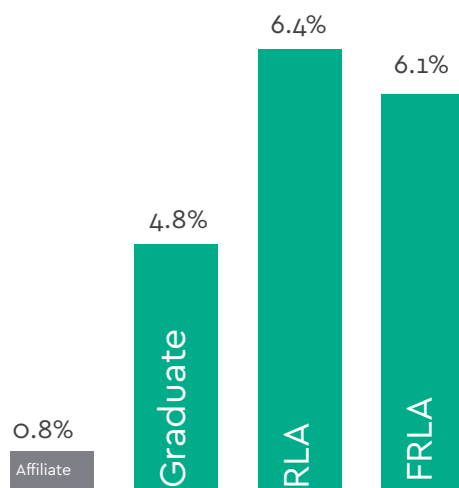
Note: the map above includes all categories of AILA: RLA, FRLA, HF, Affiliates, Graduates, Applicants, Students, Retired Members and Members on Leave.

Members & Fellows

” AILA Membership provides “weight” to the critical mass of our profession which, in turn, helps give credibility to our industry and the views expressed by AILA to the public and fellow professional groups. It helps provide funding to support education of our younger members.

AILA MEMBER

Growth FY2024



Note: the above chart excludes students and applicants.

About Membership

2022/23 2023/24

1879 1999
RLA, Fellow, Honorary Fellow

123 124
Affiliate

229 240
Graduate

704 738
Student

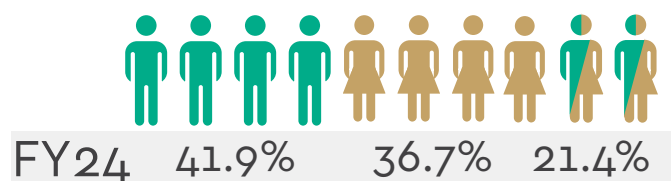
3.03% since FY2023

FY 24 REGISTERED LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT (RLA) NEW APPLICATIONS GROWTH FROM FY 2023

136 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN 23/24

132 APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN 22/23

Membership by Gender



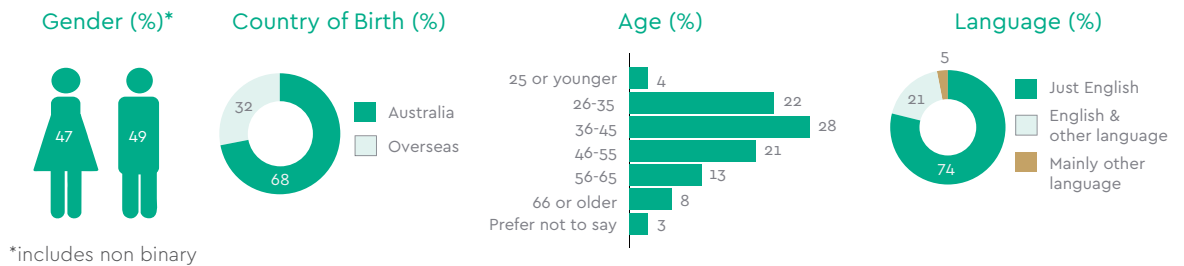
Member Sentiment Survey

It provides me with credibility, a network of peers, and the ability to contribute to the improvement of the profession to be better equipped to provide appropriate stewardship of Australian landscapes



AILA Member Survey Respondent

The survey was sent to all AILA members with 585 members participating.



Snapshot 2023: *AILA is regarded as professional, active and future focused.*

Who pays for AILA Fees?

80%
plan to renew their membership next year

89%
Employer pays/
Reimburses me

AILA activities and services

The activities and services most important to AILA members:

TOP 5:

1

Raises the community profile of landscape architecture
95%

2

Advocates to State Government
94%

3

Advocates to Federal Government
91%

4

Ensures the profession has a media presence
87%

5

Landscape Architecture registration program
86%

Education

Information was tailored to my classes specific needs in terms of upcoming assessment. Andrew spent a lot of time preparing the information and making sure it was relevant to student needs. He was very accommodating and students responded well to his presentation.

QLD Geography Teacher on BALA

Education is a diverse strategic pillar for the organisation. It includes the broad strategic initiatives that engage with, and respond to, the tertiary education sector (including accreditation processes), Be a Landscape Architect (BALA) campaign and the provision of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for members. Due to the large remit of strategy and policy required to progress the education pillar, there are two committees that work alongside the Board and CEO.

[The Education Committee \(EC\)](#) is charged with advising Board and CEO on matters of policy and its implementation in regards to matters of Landscape Education, Accreditation and Research. [The CPD Committee](#) ensures landscape architects are provided with appropriate CPD to enable them to maintain competencies required for ongoing registration and for the practice of landscape architecture through all stages of their professional career.

EDUCATION SECTOR

The release of the white paper from the inaugural [2023 Education Summit](#) earlier this year underscored the valuable discussions that can emerge when program leads, industry

and selected members come together to collaborate. 2024 continued to be a challenging year for the education sector, with most accredited landscape architecture programs looking to bolster student numbers.

Consistently, higher numbers of prospective students (ratios from 1:20 to 1:25) are choosing degrees in the allied fields of architecture and interior architecture instead of landscape architecture.

The more recent decision by the Federal government to create caps on international student numbers poses a threat to the tertiary sector and many programs. Whilst the BALA campaign provides some visibility for prospective students, the EC is committed to broadening the organisations strategic approach to improve visibility and positioning of landscape architecture. The EC have committed to commencing a review of the accreditation policy (now 10 years old), enhancing employability of graduates, strengthening industry-academia links, and developing a national standard of

Image | AILA Geography Teachers Association of Victoria Annual Conference August 2023, depicted Lex from TCL
Photo by: AILA



Education

competency in accordance with AQF7, 8 and 9 outcomes. It is hoped the national standard of competency will improve clarity for graduate employers and advertised position descriptions, as well as enhancing several components of the accreditation policy.

CPD FRAMEWORK

In June 2024, AILA proudly launched its new Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Framework, designed to support landscape architects in maintaining and enhancing their professional skills. The updated framework offers more flexibility and a broader range of learning opportunities, ensuring that members can tailor their CPD activities to align with their career goals and interests. With an emphasis on accessibility and relevance, the framework introduces new categories of learning, including digital and interactive options, making it easier for members to fulfill their CPD requirements.

BALA

Be a Landscape Architect (BALA) is an AILA initiative for Landscape Architects to engage with school aged students via their teachers/career advisors. The program aims to build awareness of the profession of landscape architecture via presentations and activities with schools.

We now have almost 70 BALA Ambassadors across the country who have been through the induction process and are seeing increasing levels of engagement at a chapter level. The Education Committee Chair, Sara Padgett Kjaersgaard worked closely with Sally Bolton and Melanie West, to develop a re-fresh of the BALA website.

In 2023-2024 financial year, school visits have been supported by presentations at geography teacher conferences, career expos, promotions in Career Advisor communications, school engagement in local projects and site tours of landscape architect-led projects across Australia. With AILA and BALA Ambassadors involved in 40 events and activities. This diversity of approaches within the BALA has enabled AILA to achieve the targeted objective of 100 schools nationally.

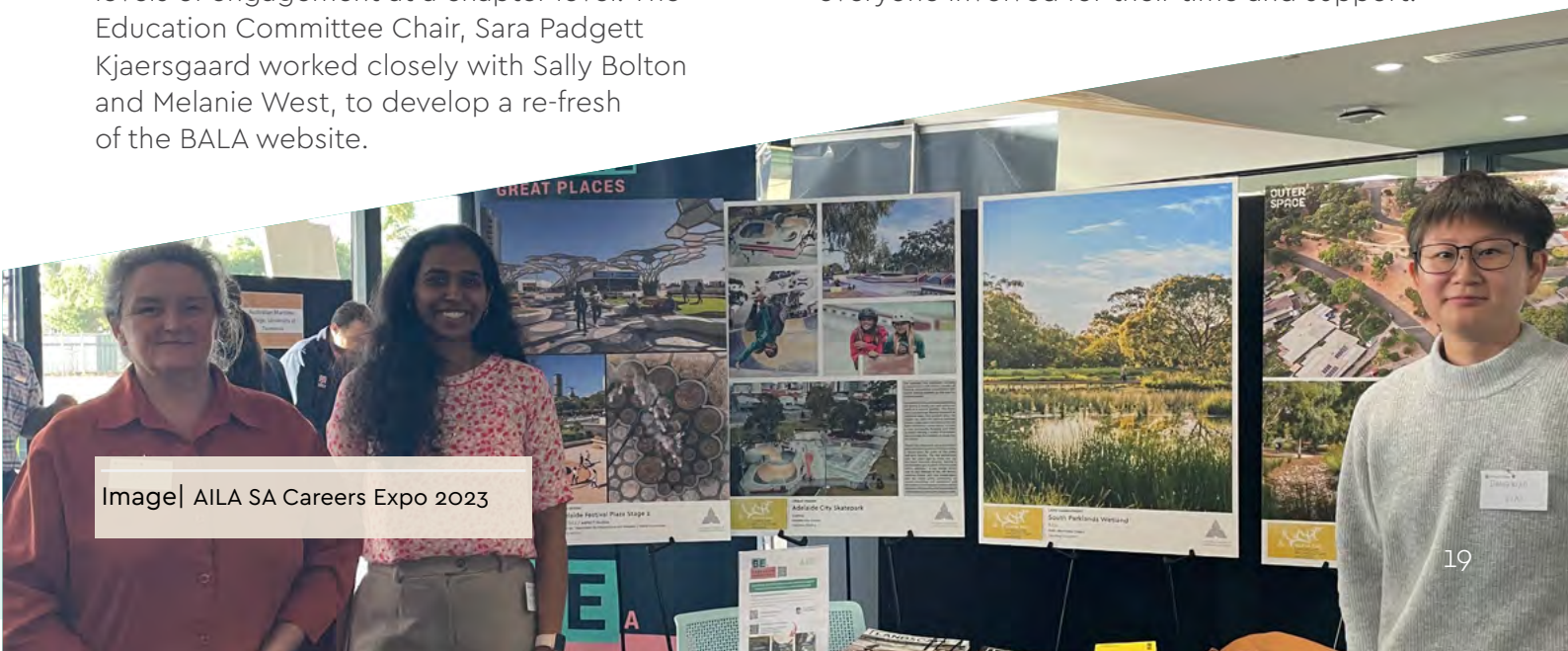
AILA looks forward to continuing to increase the impact of the BALA program and expand our resources to support local activations in each state and territory.

ACCREDITATION

This financial year AILA completed two university accreditation reviews. RMIT's Master of Landscape Architecture received accreditation for another five years. QUT's Bachelor of Built Environment (Landscape Architecture) alongside a double major with Bachelor of Architectural design, received preliminary accreditation status with the first cohort of students due for graduation in 2025.

AILA deeply appreciates the dedication and hard work of university landscape architecture programs and the National Accreditation Review Teams in completing the accreditation reviews.

Their efforts were instrumental in the review process, and we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone involved for their time and support.



Advocacy



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AILA MEMBER

AILA has continued to be a driving force in advocating for the landscape architecture profession throughout 2023-24, building upon the unprecedented milestones achieved in the previous year. Our members consistently reaffirm that elevating the profession's recognition across all government levels remains our top strategic priority.

Government Engagement and Policy Influence

Our advocacy efforts have yielded significant results, establishing AILA as a prominent voice in government discussions. The Advocacy Manifesto, presented at the August Member Connect event, has served as a cornerstone for our proactive engagement with policymakers. This strategic document has guided our involvement in shaping policies across various sectors, including climate action, environmental stewardship, public health, infrastructure development, and education reform.

The President and CEO have leveraged the Advocacy Manifesto in Canberra, extending its reach and influence beyond the committee's direct achievements. This high-level engagement has further solidified AILA's position as a key stakeholder in national policy discussions.

This engagement extended to the launch of the Parliamentary Friends of Australian Urban Design, as an initiative of AILA, AIA and PIA. This group give the institute unprecedented direct access to parliamentarians.

Innovative Advocacy Initiatives

MP Project Tours

AILA launched a ground-breaking initiative inviting local MPs to experience award-winning landscape projects alongside AILA professionals. These tours provided policymakers with first-hand insights into the transformative benefits of landscape architecture, showcasing its role in enhancing community well-being, ecological diversity, and responsive design.

Urban Greening Initiative (UGI)

In a significant step towards promoting sustainable urban design, AILA prepared and submitted a draft letter to the Federal Ministers of Environment and Infrastructure. This initiative underscores our commitment to creating greener, more liveable urban spaces.

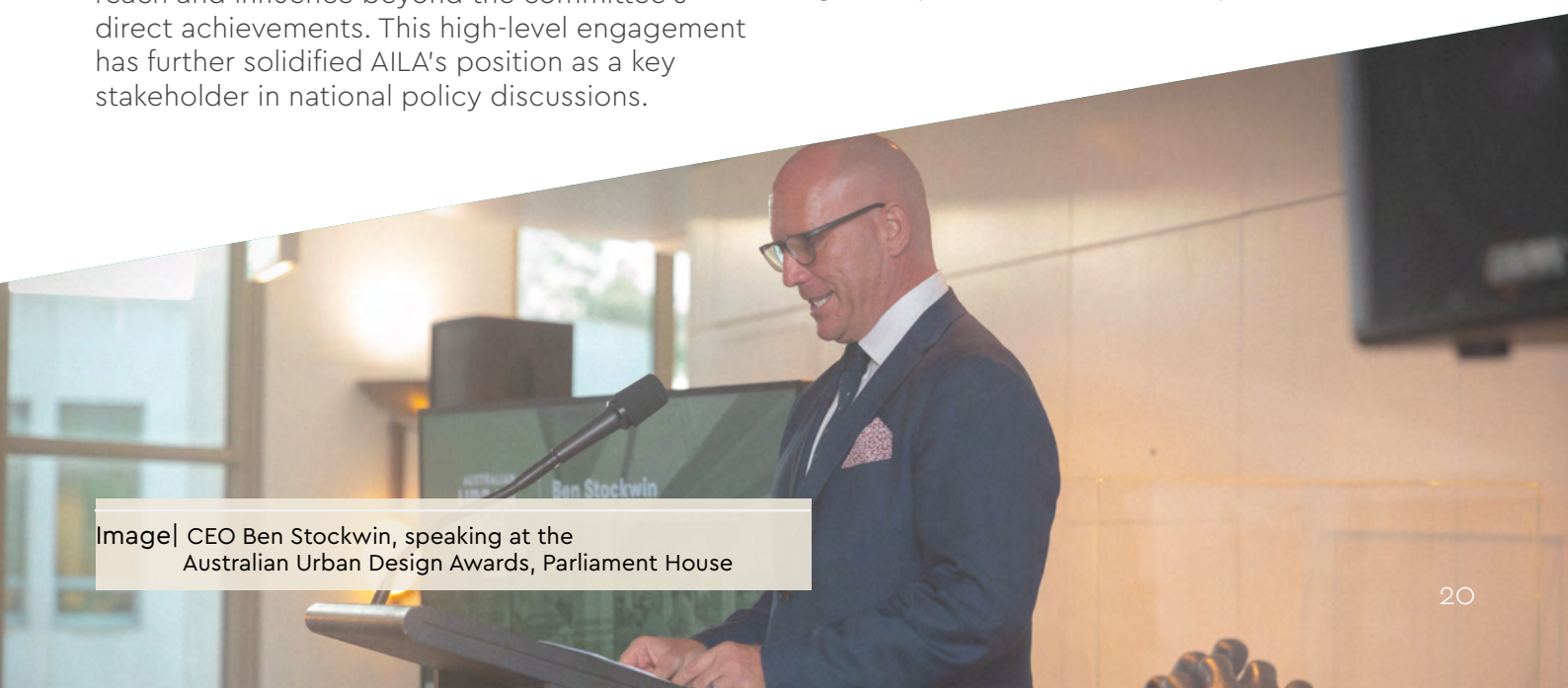


Image | CEO Ben Stockwin, speaking at the Australian Urban Design Awards, Parliament House

Advocacy

Collaboration and Sustainability

AILA's advocacy committee made substantial contributions to the organization's submission for the Green Building Council of Australia's updated Precincts V2 Rating Tool. This involvement ensures that the voice of landscape architecture is prominently reflected in this crucial sustainability framework.

Ongoing Dialogue and Policy Development

Our concerted approach at both national and Chapter levels has fostered valuable discussions with key ministers and shadow ministers. These interactions have not only addressed immediate concerns but also positioned AILA to shape enduring policy frameworks, enriching the professional landscape for future generations.

AILA's participation in ministerial panels and roundtables has contributed to pre-emptive policy development on critical issues, ranging from climate resilience to the global exchange of professional services.

Looking Ahead

As we move forward, AILA remains steadfast in its commitment to championing the landscape architecture profession and enhancing the built environment. We anticipate building on this momentum to further our advocacy efforts and witness their transformative impact in the coming year through specific action coming of government at all levels.

Our sustained advocacy is now yielding substantial progress, reflecting the dedicated groundwork laid over the years. We look forward to continuing this trajectory of success and influence in 2024-25, further cementing landscape architecture's role in shaping sustainable, inclusive, and resilient environments across Australia.

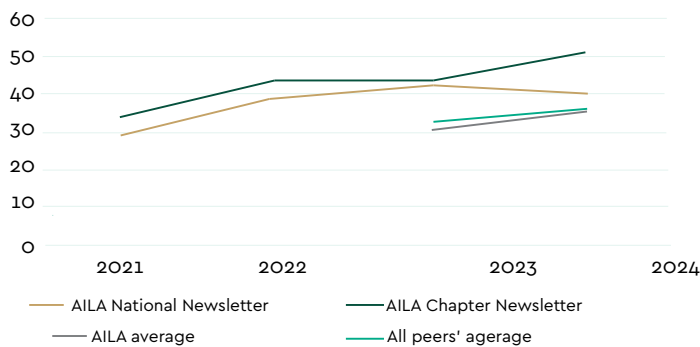


Image| Launch of the Parliamentary Friends of Australian Urban Design

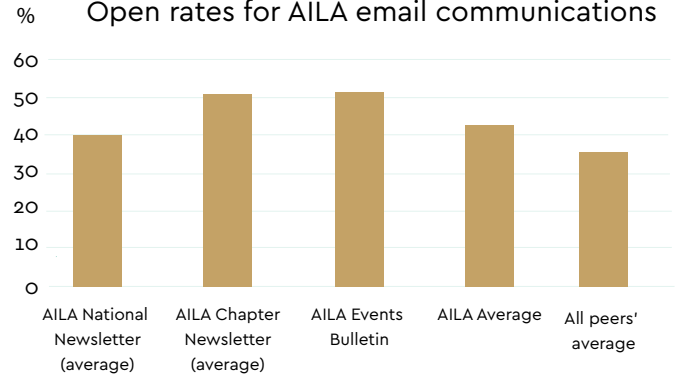
Profile

AILA's Newsletters (EDM's) statistics are trending upward as the amount of opened emails keeps increasing from previous years.

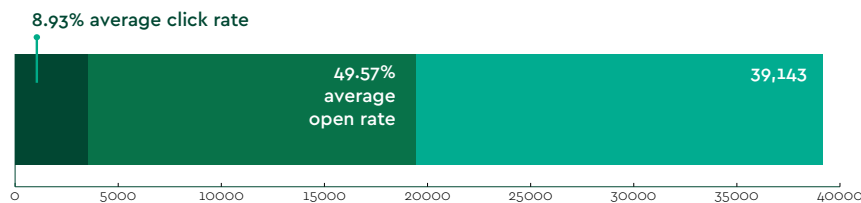
Open rates for AILA email communications



2024 Open rates for AILA email communications



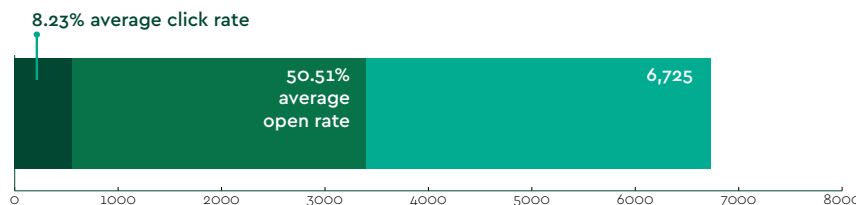
Performance of total EDM's



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EDM's total. Average open rate **49.57%** (46.30% in May 2024). Average click rate **8.93%** (6.83% in May 2024).

Performance of all newsletter eNews and eAlerts



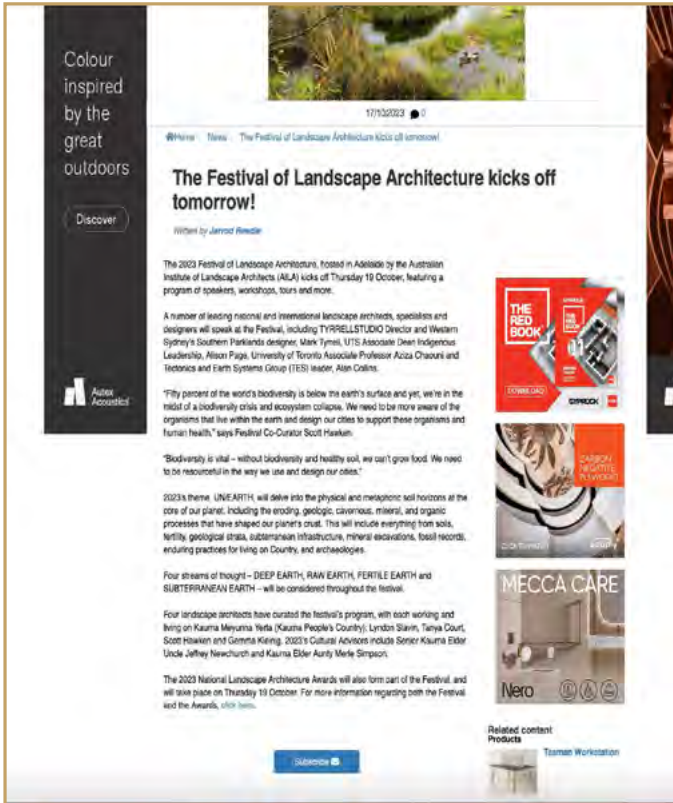
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Newsletters sent, including eNews and eAlerts. Average open rate **50.51%** (46.18% in May 2024). Average click rate **8.23%** (6.53% in May 2024).

Industry benchmarks (Architecture and Construction): **Average open rate 22.51%** | **Average click rate 2.51%**

Profile

Nationwide Media



Audience Reach
58 Million Views

Editorial Value
\$631,500

KEY MEDIA CAMPAIGNS:

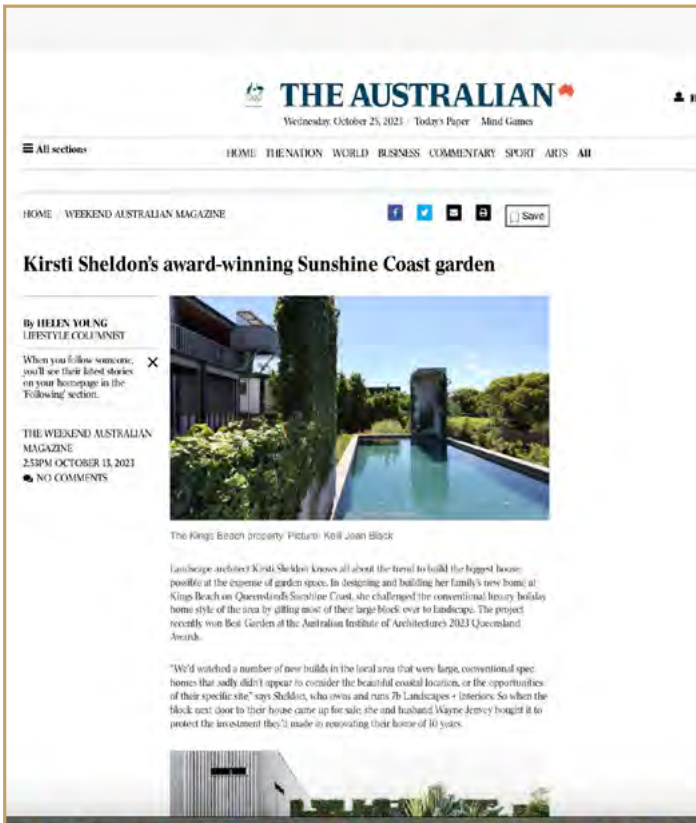
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1. Architecture & Design
2. The Australian
3. Landscape AUstralia
4. Realestate.com.au
5. News.com.au
6. Sydney Morning Herald
7. The Age
8. The Brisbane Times
9. The Courier Mail
10. ABC Brisbane
11. Sunshine Coast News
12. Property Exchange
13. Sentinel Times
14. Glam Adelaide
15. The Adelaide Advertiser
16. InDaily
17. Build Australia

Following the 2022 profile initiative, Lindy Johnson Creative was retained for the 2023 AILA National Awards to feature all Awards winners across the Australian industry and national news and media.

AILA continues to send quarterly Landscape Architecture Australia Magazines, which feature Chapter and National Award winning projects to current Federal Ministers in Canberra.

Profile Chapters & Media



Audience Reach
121.4 Million Views

Editorial Value
\$1,476,250

15 articles published across Victoria.

10 articles published across New South Wales.

10 articles published across South Australia.

9 articles published across Queensland.

9 articles published across Western Australia.

7 articles published across the ACT.

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Strategic Values



Gender Equity

UPDATE OF THE CENSUS & NEXT STEPS REPORTS

The Census Report 2001-2016 Women in Landscape Architecture was updated with the 2021 census data.

Member Connect webinar conducted to present the new data, which shows continued gender inequity across various categories such as salary, position, and business ownership.

TRANSITION TO DIVERSITY EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY

The gender equity committee are transitioning into the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) committee. This will allow the committee to encompass a larger range of members that may face additional barriers in their careers or are under-represented or subject to discrimination on the basis of identity or disability.

The DEI working group completed a survey for distribution to AILA members which will better inform the needs of members that the DEI community need to address.

GENDER EQUITY MENTORSHIP

Ongoing maintenance of the Gender Equity mentorship program.

WEBINAR INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

AILA GEC collaborated with NZILA to conduct a webinar to celebrate the UN Women Australia theme, Count Her In: Invest in Women. Accelerate Progress.

AILA INPUT

- The Gender Equity Committee met with the Membership Committee to discuss the new proposal for membership registration. Feedback was provided from a gender equity lens.

- The Gender Equity Committee provided input / suggestions regarding the updated green star requirements. AILA issued these to Green Building Council Australia as an organisational response.

LOOKING AHEAD

The following actions items are high priority for this year:

Receive national board approval to supersede the Census Report 2001-2016 'Women in Landscape Architecture' with the updated 2001-2021 report.

Finalising the update of the Next Steps Report with the new 2021 census data, and in line with transitioning to the DEI committee. This will provide clarity in regards to which recommendations have been completed, and which items should be reviewed by the new DEI committee to undertake. Submit to national board for approval + distribution.

Approval of DEI Terms of Reference, DEI Survey to be issued to members Q1 of FY2025.

Terms of reference draft provided for national board approval.

Create a new Practice Note for Diversity Equity and Inclusion in the workplace.

Undertake an event for Equal Pay Day with the new AILA salary survey data (could be tied in with a workshop for negotiation salaries).

Transition the gender equity platform to DEI mentorship platform to garner further engagement.

Committee membership call out to AILA members for new DEI committee.



Image | 2023 AILA National Climate Positive Design Award
Vanam
by Tanya Wood Landscape Architecture with Andrew Stevenson & Dr Jeffrey Miller
Dharug and Gundungurra
Photo by Nick Watts

Strategic Values



Climate Positive Design

Throughout the 2023-2024 financial year, AILA has made significant progress in promoting landscape architecture as a key player in sustainable design and climate advocacy. The year commenced with a successful submission to the National Climate Risk Assessment and an application for COP29, solidifying AILA's leadership in climate action both nationally and internationally.

The Climate Positive Committee focused on strategies to engage local councils in adopting sustainable practices. Collaborative efforts with MECLA, Griffith University, and other institutions contributed to the development of guidelines and exploration of carbon sequestration in vegetation strata. Despite challenges, these collaborations have advanced industry-wide principles for carbon assessment, laying the groundwork for future climate-positive practices.

Key initiatives were planned to bolster AILA's capacity and visibility, ensuring alignment with other major projects, such as the Biodiversity Committee's work. The ongoing collaboration with Climate Ready Australia further demonstrated AILA's dedication to helping members achieve carbon positivity by 2030.

Promotional efforts included planning events like National Ride to Work Day and a webinar featuring Climate Positive Award winners. These activities not only showcased successful projects but also engaged over 200 members, highlighting the growing impact of AILA's climate-positive initiatives. Improvements to AILA's communication strategy ensured that crucial messages reached a broad audience across various platforms.

AILA's influence grew notably, particularly with organisations like GBCA, which now actively seek AILA's input on events and submissions. This proactive engagement underscores AILA's increasing role in shaping sustainable practices across the industry.

In summary, the 2023-2024 financial year underscored AILA's unwavering commitment to sustainable design, enhanced member engagement, and the successful navigation of challenges, firmly positioning landscape architecture as a crucial element of Australia's climate response.

Image | 2023 AILA National Climate Positive Design Award
South Parklands Wetland
by T.C.L
Karna Country
Photo by Jackie Gu

Strategic Values

☰☉☰ Connection to Country

Over the Financial year July 2023 to June 2024, the Connection to Country Committee (CtCC) has been actively involved in preparing and sharing information with members for significant cultural dates such as NAIDOC week, updating the Terms of Reference for Cultural Ambassador appointments. Two Cultural Ambassadors, Jackie Reilly and Tommy Day III, were appointed in late 2024 alongside Sally Waller. They contributed significantly to discussions on policy and reconciliation action planning.

The working groups within the Committee shared numerous activities including initiating the progression of the Reconciliation Action Plan, updating the Acknowledgement of Country protocols, the review of the Designations Policy, Senior Practitioner Advisory Terms of Reference, the discussions on Tertiary Education and Indigenous Knowledge, and focusing on knowledge sharing.

The CtCC also deliberated in response to the Voice referendum in response to interest from some members on AILA taking a position. Cultural Ambassadors supported the group to understand and provide guidance on what was appropriate for AILA as an organisation who represents a profession with relationships with diverse groups of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in all areas of the country.

These were robust and valuable discussions that highlighted the need for us to listen deeply to the guidance from our Cultural ambassadors to develop deeper understandings of working and living in this cultural context. This included supporting understanding for the AILA board and leadership in responding to interest from some members for to the referendum, encouraging members to engage with the issue on a personal

level and assisting with enquiries throughout Quarters 2 and 3 of the 2024 calendar year.

Sally Waller provided Cultural guidance for the preparations of the 2023 AILA Festival UNEarth in Tarntanya (Adelaide) on Kurna country, and all Cultural Ambassadors and some members of the CtCC were able to meet at the Festival. This was an important opportunity for the group to establish relationships and engage in the ongoing discussions about AILA's role in supporting the profession to build greater cultural awareness, and to have opportunity to connect with and learn from Elder Uncle Jeffrey Newchurch and be out on his Country. Alongside the Festival, AILA board and chapter presidents undertook cultural safety training (with the provider of this session informed by CA advice).

The importance of cultural safety within AILA has been emphasised, particularly following sessions with the Board and Chapter Executives. Discussions revolved on supporting Cultural Ambassadors and First Nations Practitioners, enhancing cultural safety and building broader awareness and the need for deeper understanding within the organisation and membership. Future activities will include the progression and finalisation of a new Reconciliation Action Plan.

Successes include effective co-chairing of the committee, open dialogue, and valuable member contributions. However, challenges remain in understanding how to support cultural safety and greater understanding of cultural values. This includes understanding for all AILA business and members to be aware of and work in respect for the responsibilities and 'proper way' set out in the Cultural Ambassador Guideline.




Image | 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture UN/EARTH. Tour supported by Christie Barbecues Willunga Basin Cultural & Ecological Regeneration Tour Led by Karl Winda Telfer, Burka, Mullawirra Meyu and Dr Gavin Malone, Cultural Geographer and Visual Artist. Photo by Yan Chen



Image | 2023 AILA National Award of Excellence for Health and Education Landscape
The School of Design & Built Environment - Curtin University
by REALMstudios in collaboration with Apparatus Public Art + Cultural Services & Noongar
Artist Kamsani Bin Salleh
Whadjuk Noongar
Photo by Frances Andrijich

2023 UN/EARTH Festival

Inspirational speakers, the chance to come together and share ideas, the theme was great - exploring what we cannot see is so essential.



AILA MEMBER

The AILA 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture: UN/EARTH took place between the 19th and 22nd of October in Tarntanya/Adelaide.

The 2023 festival was directed by four leading landscape architects working and living on Kaurna Meyunna Yerta. Lyndon Slavin, a senior landscape architect at ASPECT Studios, Dr Tanya Court, creative director of Tanya Court Projects, Dr Scott Hawken, director of the Landscape Architecture and Urban Design programs at the University of Adelaide and Gemma Kleinig, landscape architect, City Design at the City of Unley.

The Creative Director team liaised with Senior Kaurna Elder Uncle Jeffrey Newchurch and Kaurna Elder Aunty Merle Simpson during the planning and delivery of the Festival and are sincerely grateful for their insights and sharing of knowledge.

UN/EARTH sought to illuminate the worlds beneath us through exploration of the physical and metaphoric soil horizons upon which landscape architecture practice is founded.

The eroding, geologic, cavernous, mineral, and organic processes that have shaped our planet's crust, so often hidden and beyond our gaze, are the primary source materials for UN/EARTH. Critical and creative spaces for investigation are unearthed through a focus on varied landscape domains including soils, fertility, geological strata, subterranean infrastructure, mineral excavations, fossil records, enduring practices for living on Country, and archaeologies.

The Festival brought four streams of thought that engage with the elements and life below and within the earth's surface - we term these streams DEEP EARTH / RAW EARTH / FERTILE EARTH / SUBTERRANEANEARTH. These theoretical conversations are enriched by walks and expeditions on Country to Adelaide's north, southern coast, and urban plains, and to the Adelaide Hills, Peramangk Country.

The 2023 Festival featured a four day program including a conference program, tours, events, workshops, an exhibition and community outreach.

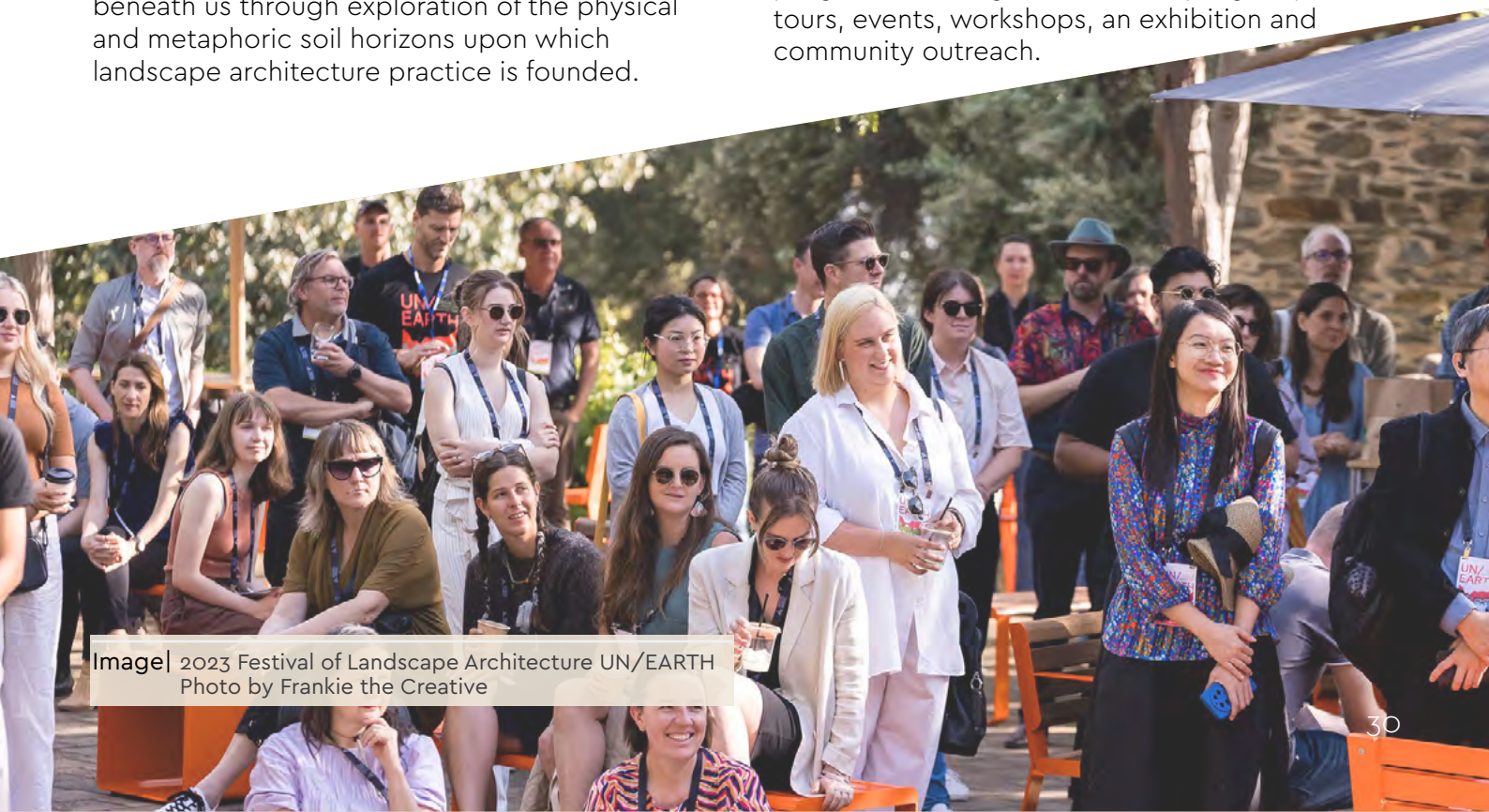


Image | 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture UN/EARTH
Photo by Frankie the Creative



PROGRAM SNAPSHOT

- Pre-Festival Webinar with James Ramsey
- Pre-Festival Webinar with Xu Tiantian
- Festival Exhibition - Chthonic: Inhabiting the Underworld. Held at the SASA Gallery including Exhibition launch event (9 – 22 October)
- Healing Country Tour
- City Projects Walk
- Natural Dye Art Workshop
- Official Welcome to Country in the Botanic Gardens
- 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Awards Ceremony
- Public Lecture at the University of Adelaide with Professor Zhu Yufan (China)
- AILA Fellows Dinner
- AILA Festival Fresh Friday social gathering
- Street Furniture Australia After Party
- Tuthangga / South Park Lands Bio-Cultural Burn Site
- Willunga Basin Cultural & Ecological Regeneration Tour

FRIDAY 20 OCTOBER & SATURDAY 21 OCTOBER

- Festival sessions
- Welcome to Country by Alan Sumner
- Introduction with Peta-Maree Ashford - AILA President, Ben Stockwin – AILA CEO, Creative Directors and Uncle Jeffery Newchurch
- Ancestral Grounds - Alison Page
- Panel: Uncle Jeffrey Newchurch, Tommy Day III & Alison Page and moderated by Dana Shen

- Co-Mapping on Country / Yitpi Yartapuultiku - Kim Mahood
- Lightning talks: Rodney Welch and Warwick Keates
- Panel: Rodney Welch, Greg Grabasch, Warwick Keates and Kim Mahood and moderated by Prof Gini Lee
- Crafting the Arid by Aziza Chaouni (Morocco)
- Panel: Aziza Chaouni, Greg Grabasch and Prof. Alan Collins and moderated by Dr Tanya Court
- Extraction and Material Narratives – James A Lord (USA)
- Living Earth as Designed Systems - Dr Joshua Zuenert and Saline Verhoeven (Netherlands)
- Moss, Mycelia & Micro-ecologies - Dr Jake Robinson (UK)
- Lightning Talks - Quahli Newchurch, Sherie Bruce and Alison Haynes
- Panel: Dr Jake Robinson, Quahli Newchurch, Sherie Bruce and Alison Haynes and moderated by Dr Scott Hawken
- Sensitivity, Brutality and Metropolitan Earthworks - Mark Tyrrell and Dr Marilu Melo Zurita
- The Technological Subterranean - Michèle Orliac and Miquel Batlle (France)

COMMUNITY

Street Furniture Australia has donated \$45k of Linea show-products to Baptist CareSA's West Care Centre, a project nominated by Swanbury Penglase, as part of the Good Cause Giveaway for the 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture: UN/EARTH.

2023 National Awards

The 2023 National Award winners offer valuable case studies on the benefits of good design. They demonstrate what is possible when, as a community, we invest in living infrastructure now and into the future. The jury commends the winners for their skill, commitment and conviction.



C. MARTIN,

2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Awards Jury Chair

The AILA Landscape Architecture Awards program provides a key vehicle for the promotion of the achievements and work of Landscape Architects in Australia.

The Awards process is an opportunity for public and peer recognition of landscape architect's work, and demonstrates to industry, business, government and the wider community the positive impact the profession has on Australian lives through the planning and design of the built and natural environments.

AILA National Awards showcase the positive impact of Landscape Architects on our people and country. In 2023, the National Jury comprised of Claire Martin (Jury Chair), Janelle Arbon, Jack Qian, Kaylie Salvatori, Rosie Halsmith and Alan Hoban, assessed 150 nominees across 17 categories showing the diversity of work undertaken by Landscape Architects.

The Award winners were announced as part of the Festival of Landscape Architecture in Adelaide on the 19 October.

The awards celebrated 50 exemplary projects of all scales including green infrastructure, public open spaces, play, health, education and tourism spaces, and gardens.

AILA received strong media coverage for the National Awards in online and print media with an audience reach of 58 million and editorial value of \$631,500.

At the event, AILA President Peta-Maree Ashford presented the President's Award to Fiona Morrison for her outstanding contributions to the field of landscape architecture and in particular, her remarkable work within the realm of public practice.

2023 AWARDS SNAPSHOT

- 12 Awards of Excellence
 - 29 Landscape Architecture Awards
 - 5 Regional Achievement Awards
 - 4 Climate Positive Design Awards
- [National Winners Gallery Link](#)



Image | 2023 Winners of the 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Small Projects.
(Left to Right) Vanessa Margetts and Michael Jalaru Torres





Australian Capital Territory Highlights

Image | 2022 AILA ACT Landscape Architecture Award for Civic Landscape
The Capitol, Hobart Place
by LSA Design Landscape Architecture
Ngunnawal
Photo by Marc Deuschle

ACT Chapter Report

The Margaret Hendry Forum...is not just the provocative conversations that are worthy. The event also highlights the contribution that women make to the quality of our landscapes - be they physical, social, political, or intellectual.



G. Williamson, AILA FRLA

The ACT Chapter had a fantastic year returning a comfortable surplus. With record numbers attending events, membership and partnership growth and the additional support of an ACT Chapter Manager, Joanna McAndrew has helped the ACT Executive to achieve these successes. The Partners supporting the ACT Chapter are Glascott Landscape and Civil, iGuzzini, Sika Australia, City Renewal Authority and Alistair Swayn Foundation.

The ACT Executive was led by President Gay Williamson, and Vice President Steve Kirsu along with Lei Zhang, and the Executive welcomed Gweneth Leigh onto the Committee. We would like to thank Steve Kirsu for his many roles over the years, as he steps off the Executive. There are casual vacancies on the ACT Executive, should you wish to contribute to your profession, please get in touch.

The ACT Fresh team is led by Hugh Swann and Joe Fitzimmons, along with Francis Nelson, Dakota Cairnduff, Edwin Casey Dobinson and Xinyue Zhang.

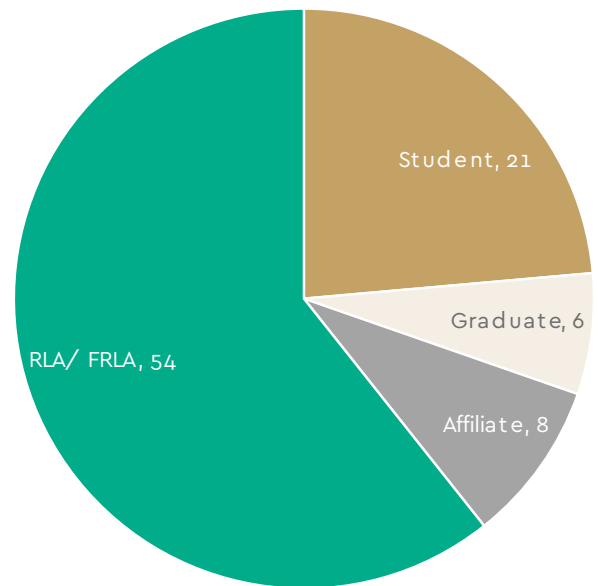


Image | 2024 AILA ACT Awards Ceremony
(Left to Right) Peta Miskovich, Anna Chauvel, Suzanne Orr MLA

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

The ACT Chapter grew from 88 to 94 members over the last financial year, 54 of which are registered Landscape Architects. We welcome 2 new RLAs to the class of 23/24 and Cia Flannery was awarded Fellow.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

The ACT Executive submitted an ACT Planning System Evaluation Framework Submission.

Gay Williamson and Cia Flannery had a meeting with Suzanne Orr MLA, Member for Yerrabi and Government Whip.

Lei Zhang attended an MCP workshop reviewing and rewriting the 'Basic Brief' a pivotal standard briefing document used by the ACT Government for construction projects.

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

The Margaret Hendry Lecture at the Shine Dome in March 2024 was the best attended in history of the event, with 90 registrations and for the first time the AILA Board was in attendance. The speaker lineup was excellent, Emily Hilder, Margot Neale and Emily Wong.

The ACT Awards held every second year, were also a great success at the Verity Lane Market in May 2024. Gay Williamson Chaired the ACT Jury of 6 who considered 14 entries across 8 categories.

The Jury members considered the quality of the entries reflected well on AILA's stated professional values – climate positive design, gender equity and connection to country. Indeed, what stood out for the jury was the collaborative processes used across so many of the entries. The genuine, extensive effort to incorporate First Nation's people and their knowledge of the country in the design and management of the local landscape benefits the whole community, the place and our ecology.

Thinking, Leadership and Results are the core, cross-category judging criteria. Each member of the Jury had clearly, rigorously evaluated the entries against the criteria and this created an energetic, good-humoured exchange of views. Ultimately the Jury decided on two Awards of Excellence, five Landscape Architecture Awards, an award for Shade Smart and two Future Leader awards.

The AILA ACT President also recommended an award for a significant development project in the ACT. This project exemplifies what can be achieved in residential development when there is a willingness to be collaborative, to do be experimental and most importantly to engage with essential qualities of the landscape.

We had 80 attendees including Suzanne Orr MLA. And the ACT Chapter achieved some significant media from these Awards.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

The ACT Chapter ran an interesting webinar on Revegetation of Native Grasslands in July 2023.



Image | 2024 ACT Awards Ceremony, UC Students and future leaders



New South Wales Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Tourism
Cape Solander Whale Watching Facilities
by OCULUS with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service
Bidjigal and Gweagal Country
Photo by Simon Wood

NSW Chapter Report

It's a great privilege to be entrusted by your fellow practitioners to help shape the profession, and to work with others who are also passionate about ensuring that our healthy profession helps shape the future of the world.



S. Alford, AILA FRLA

The NSW Chapter had a fantastic financial year returning a comfortable surplus with the support of our partners Andreasens Green, Coordinated Landscapes, Gosford Quarries, Transport for NSW, Benedict, SESL Australia and new partners iGuzzini, Sika Australia and the Alistair Swayn Foundation.

The NSW Executive was led by President, David Moir, Vice President, Miriam Enoch, Natalie McEvoy, Jason Cuffe and Cate Wallace, with the support of new Chapter Manager Joanna McAndrew. As an equal team we aimed to provide benefit to the NSW membership by maintaining our relationship with government and continuing to advocate for our profession whilst providing areas for further education. We worked alongside the Advocacy, Heritage and Fresh Committees and together made significant steps forward.

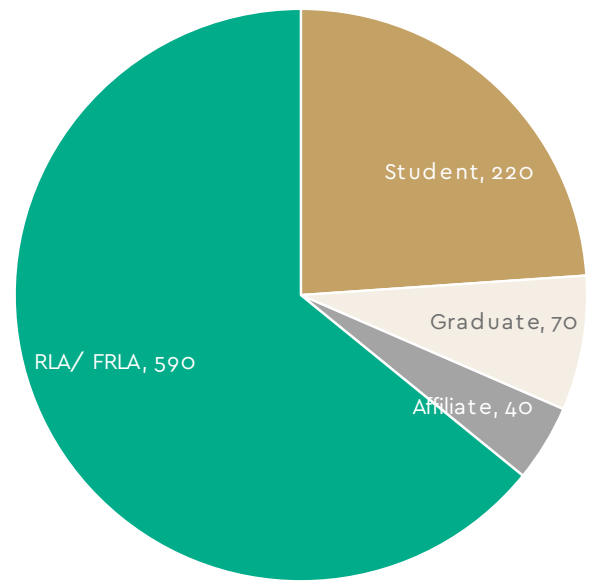


Image | NSW End of Year Celebration 2023 at the Shellbourne rooftop

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

The NSW Chapter grew from 900 to 950 members over the last financial year, 580 of which are registered Landscape Architects. We welcome 38 new RLAs to the class of 23/24. The Fellow recipients were Annabel Murry, Shareen Alford, Maria Rigoli, Kate Luckraft, Libby Gallagher and David Moir. AILA NSW presented at Uni o days, growing student membership.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

AILA NSW maintained a strong relationship with NSW Government, allied Industry bodies like RAlA and PIA. The Advocacy and Heritage Committees provided a suite of submissions highlighting the level of expertise within AILA membership to ensure the role landscape architecture is understood and respected by all levels of Australian government.

Key advocacy highlights include Wind Energy Guidelines, Building Bill 2023, AILA Arts and Creative Industries, Planning system and impacts of climate change on the environment and communities, MLC Building North Sydney, Landscape sensitive management of utilities, protecting the urban forest, AILA objection to central Barangaroo, and a review of strategic planning for NSW housing planning policy.

The NSW Executive showed Minister Sally Quinnell MP one of our Award of Excellence projects Dawson Damer Park, and also held meetings with Minister Paul Scully and with the team at the Government Architects. Parliamentary Secretary for Planning and Public Spaces Stephen Bali MP attended the NSW Awards 2024.

There were numerous sites investigated for asbestos in mulch and AILA NSW took the opportunity to jump into the media, appearing on the Today show, ABC media and radio.

AILA NSW continued meetings with its ShadeSmart partners and attended the Skin Cancer Prevention Strategy 2023-2030 Launch.

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

The NSW Chapter continued to highlight Landscape Architecture through our Be a Landscape Architect program, attending Uprising at Stone & Chalk, Sydney; Activate SWS @ Ottimo House Denham Court and CSIRO STEM Career Expo @ Pioneer Theatre, Castle Hill.

The AILA NSW Awards were held on Thursday 27 June 2024 in a new auditorium format at the Zenith Theatre, Chatswood with 220 attendees. The Jury Chair Kate Luckraft and the NSW Jury considered 72 submissions across 18 categories. Chris Tomas was recognised posthumously with the NSW President Award. The NSW awards received strong media attention and sharing across social platforms, aiding in the promotion of the profession not only via AILA but by built environment professionals.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

AILA NSW ran a number of CPD events, highlights include Latitude with Adrian McGregor on Biourbanism; Exhibition of finalists of the Harbour Park Design competition, Cycle on country, Quarry Tours, Royal Botanic Garden Tour and a series of webinars.

The FRESH Committee were active organising many Studio tours, a portfolio review at Bespoke Careers and a bushwalk at Heathcote.




Image | NSW Award of Excellence Playground Tour with Minister Sally Quinnell



Northern Territory Highlights

Image | 2022 Landscape Architecture Award Winner
Cooling Darwin
CLOUSTON Associates
Larrakia Country (Gulumoerrgin Language Group)
Photo by CLOUSTON Associates

NT Chapter Report

“ Our young graduates have started the first AILA Fresh NT and we feel supported and energized. We are positively buzzing with activity.

NT AILA MEMBER

AILA NT started the year as a small group of members (5) working with State Government and local government and allied Institutes to promote Landscape Architecture. The injection of interest from AILA National with regular contact from Ben Stockwin and the sharing of Sally Bolton as a resource, changed our dynamics.

We now have combined AILA meetings with other (15) including interstate Landscape Architectural firms practicing in the Territory. Our young graduates have started the first AILA Fresh NT and we feel supported and energized. We are positively buzzing with activity.

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

We have a candidate to become a Registered Landscape Architect, and we are assisting him with his registration. We have 3 graduates who are working with Sally on how they can become members and which category they can apply for.

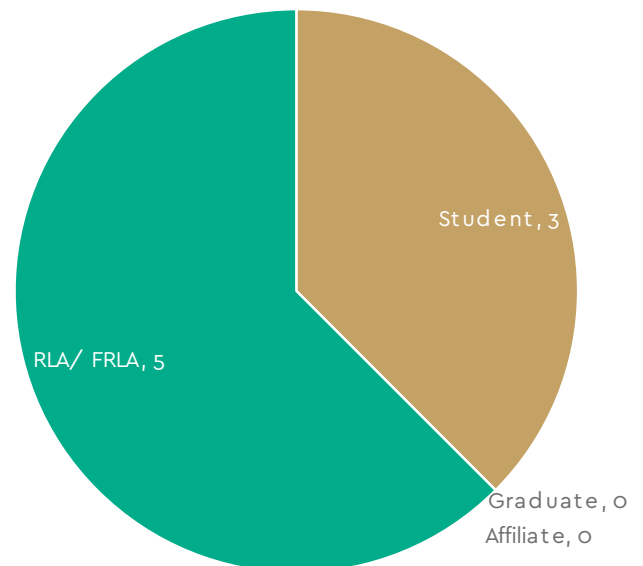


Image | 2023 AILA NT Nursery Tour

We partially lost Tony Cox as he is splitting his time between Darwin and coastal NSW. Other non-members who regularly join our landscape discussions are being encouraged to become members.

The best news was Samuel Hare received the well-earned President's award at the SA/ NT Awards.

CLOUSTON Associates also won the Tourism Award of Excellence and Regional Achievement Award for Baruwei Lookout.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

We have several advocacy highlights:

- The NT Chapter Presidents presentation to Northern Territory Government (NTG) Project Managers on how Landscape Architects benefit their projects.
- The 2023 End of year Baubles and Banter party with allied professionals.
- The July 2024 Pre-Election Debate, hosted by Ben Stockwin, addressing Government's investment in urban forests and other topics.
- Informing the NTG on the crisis in the nursery industry and providing some solutions to resolve in a bipartisan effort.
- AILA NT almost winning the inter Institute quiz competition where prizes were sponsored, and we won most rounds.
- Establishment of a resource folder with AILA for non-locals to access plant lists and data pertinent to designing in the NT.
- Landscape Architect is now included in 2024 Skills Shortage List in NT through advocacy with Industry Skills Advisory Council (ISACNT), paving way for government and private sector to sponsor offshore qualified Landscape Architects.

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

We increased our profile with the NTG and have been asked to prepare/ comment on/ attend information sessions on:

- The Northern Territory Subdivision Planning Guidelines.
- The Northern Territory Strategic Planning Policy.
- The Northern Territory Design Guidelines for Landscape Architects.
- The CSIRO Climate Strategy for Darwin.
- The CSIRO Living Lab project.
- The CSIRO Tree Strategy for Darwin.
- The City of Darwin Greening Strategy.
- The City of Darwin Tree Policy.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

Marisa Fontes and Joan Tachado attended an information session on the "Be a Landscape Architect" initiative.

Joan Tachado attended Larrakeyah Primary School and hosted an exercise on how to enhance our outdoor spaces to improve sustainability and well-being and teach them about Landscape Architecture as a profession.

AILA NT will try to attend Darwin High School later this year with the new strategies and material from Sara Padgett Kjaersgaard (AILA Education Chair).

AILA NT Chapter members attended a nursery excursion hosted by Territory Native Plants. Participants learned more and gained valuable insights on native plants we usually specify on projects, how they are grown, different tree forms, pot sizes, seed collection and more.



Image | AILA NT



Queensland Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Small Projects
The Corner - Cairns School of Distance Education
by Landplan Landscape Architecture
Yirrgandyji
Photo by Ben Mackay

QLD Chapter Report

Brilliant to be able to introduce this document [Green Pathways, Gold Places] and start shouting from the rooftops. We want good design and planning to be at the front of everything we do for Brisbane 2023 Olympic and Paralympic Games ”

Tessa Leggo, AILA QLD President.

It has been a very busy year in Queensland, especially in terms of advocacy and profile, with a key focus on collaborating with our allied professions. In April we publicly launched the Green Pathways Gold Places joint advocacy with our Design Consortium (AIA, DIA and PIA) with four key asks to government to ensure the Brisbane 2023 Olympic and Paralympic Games has coordinated planning and design that benefits all Queenslanders. This has been a big undertaking by the Institutes and we're pleased to be making good progress with government and recognition in the media.

We held a Planning Session at the start of the year with the Executive & sub-committees to finalise the Queensland Operational Plan with priority initiatives at a chapter level that support and help achieve the targets in the AILA Strategic plan.

Thanks to our Queensland Executive: Tessa Leggo (President), Glen Power (Vice-President), Espe Kelly (secretary), Vicki Barclay, Matt Durning, Lisa Mercer, and David Roberts along with our passionate and active sub-committees for continuing to provide opportunities for members to engage, advocate and profile the profession.

Thank you to the ongoing support of our National Corporate Partners and our Chapter Partners – Eureka Landscapes, Urban Turf Solutions, Groundworks and Innovative Rigging and we welcomed two new partners – HBW Lighting and Pacific Nurseries along with increased event partners.

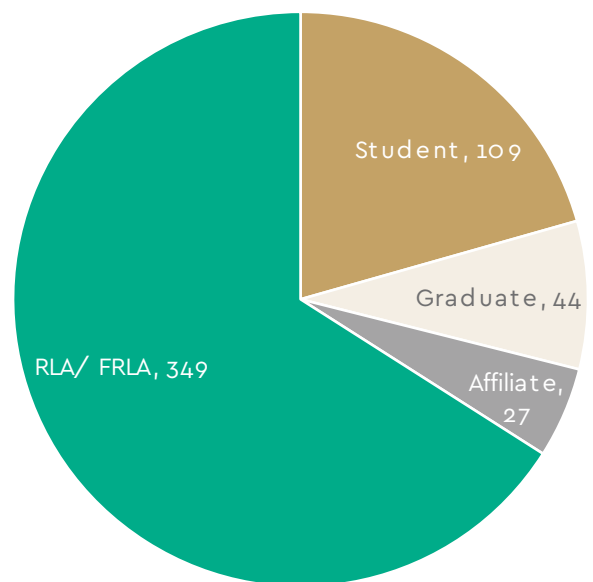


Image | AILA QLD President's Planning Meeting, Brisbane, January 2024, Turrbal and Yuggera. Pictured are the AILA Qld Executive, sub-committee chairs and representatives. Photo by Melanie West.

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Membership has increased in Queensland this year to 547 members with RLA's increasing by 7%. We welcomed two new fellows (Lisa Mercer and Wendy Davies) and 19 new RLA's in the last financial year, congratulations to all our new members.

Our Executive and Chapter Manager completed 10 practice visits last year and expanded these to visit more regional areas and Councils to discuss important issues with our members and gain feedback. The Queensland Chapter is very well supported by a large number and diverse range of sub-committees to advance the profession across this large state.

Our regional groups continue to provide local educational, networking and advocacy opportunities for our members with active committees on the Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast and North Queensland. We were pleased to host a cross-discipline Green Infrastructure breakfast in Cairns, made possible by a Small Business Month grant secured by AILA.

The dynamic QFresh Committee have stepped up again to support not only our student and graduate members but also our wider membership through relevant events and were instrumental in establishing the new student Landscape Architecture Society (LAS) at QUT.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

In line with the AILA advocacy objectives, the last few years we have really focused efforts on building awareness and relationships with key state and local government representatives and creating advocacy platforms and collaborations to amplify our voice.

Our Advocacy Committee have been very busy developing Games priorities, election campaigns and of course supporting the Green Pathways and Gold Places joint advocacy. This has provided the opportunity to meet with the now Queensland Premier, Ministers, Director Generals, Councils, other political parties and other relevant organisations.

We continue to meet regularly with key members of government and look to expand this to advocate further on issues of importance to AILA members. Chapter representatives have been advocating on many different panels and groups, including supporting the Queensland Walking Alliance and the developing Blue-Green Alliance allowing us to collaborate and align with broader networks and promote the key role landscape architects play.



Image | December 2023
Green Pathways, Gold Places meeting with Queensland Premier
(Left to Right) Melanie West, Tessa Leggo, Amy Degenhart, Premier Miles,
Nicole Bennetts, Daniel Spat, Anna Svensdotter

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

The 2024 Awards program showcased 49 entries and 24 winners across the state and regional areas. Thank you to all the entries and congratulations to the winners, who were announced at our Awards night on 13 June. Thank you also to our 2024 Awards jury. We had impressive profiling of the winners through the media including a segment on prime time channel 7 news and regional coverage on 7 news in Cairns and ABC Western Downs.

The People's Choice Award expanded to include all projects this year which allowed all entries to promote to their networks and further increase the profile of the awards. This resulted in over 1200 People's Choice Award votes (about 40% more than last year).

The Green Pathways, Gold Places joint advocacy has also increased our profile in the media and with allied industries, with our President, Tessa Leggo, representing the group across print and radio media and on industry event panels.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

We had a focus this year on collaboration events with allied institutes and professions which were very successful in providing relevant cross discipline connections around the state.

Some event highlights include bringing the Blue, Green & Grey together, Biourbanism & Breakfast, Parks Forum: an International Women's Day event, LAtitude sessions along with project tours, Fresh, regional and partner events to provide local CPD and networking opportunities to members combined with the online webinars supported nationally.

The Industry Advisory Committee supports the chapter in focusing on education and the pathways for working in a landscape architectural practice, continuing to work with QUT on the transition to the new degree and building relationships with allied organisations and professions.

The Be a Landscape Architect Program is a key priority for the Chapter, collaborating with industry partners to connect with more schools through career expos and project tours. Our connection to country committee are supporting the program, exploring opportunities to connect with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisations and students.



Image| AILA QLD Beenleigh Streetscape Tour



South Australia Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Small Projects
Fire Circle
by T.C.L
Kurna
Photo by Jackie Gu

SA Chapter Report

” You're well connected - couldn't believe how many dignitaries you had supporting and attending the night.

AILA MEMBER

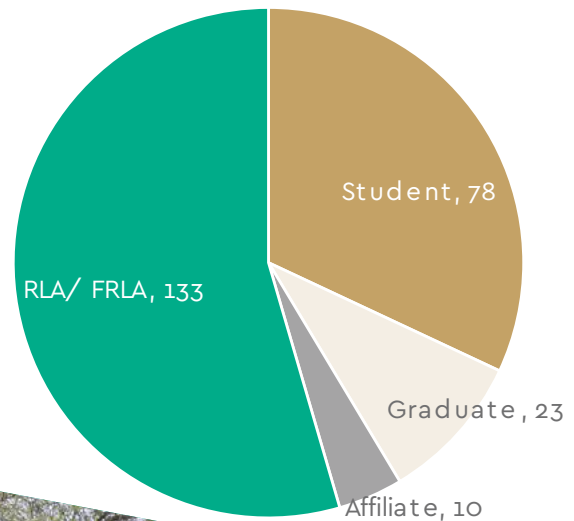
AILA South Australia has had another successful year with continued support from longstanding partners Buckford Illumination Group, ODASA, Heyne's Wholesale Nursery, Jeffries, Adelaide Hills Sandstone, ecoDynamics and SA Water.

The Executive has been actively progressing the SA operational plan to focus the work of the Chapter.

A new Executive team was welcomed in July 2023 including Dr Janelle Arbon -President, Carina Green - Vice President, Kate Elsworthy - Secretary, Rachael Roberts, Mauricio Herrera Villa, Lyndon Slavin and Enoch Liew.

SAILA Fresh Co – Leaders: Elissa Stapleton, Apeksha Joshi, Twinkle Sharma and Vice Co-Leaders: Pranathi Maddala and Veena Yelamanchili work closely with the Executive to build connections with our Fresh members in the Chapter.

We are very grateful for the enormous contribution from all our SA Members and for their commitment and dedication to the profession that makes everything possible in SA!



Image| AILA SA Members at the 2023 Festival of Landscape Architecture UN/EARTH Photo by Frankie the Creative

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Membership in SA at the close of FY 23/24 was 256 members including 133 RLAs which is an 8% increase from last year. Newly Registered Landscape Architects accounted for 7 members. In 2023 we recognised two new Fellows - Paul Herzich and Kathy Bawden. With the support of our partners, AILA SA enjoyed many events this year including tours, online webinars, and the popular CPD Latitude program.

SAILA Fresh continues to build networks and support for new and emerging Landscape architects, with a series of successful events and initiatives including: Fresh Friday events, Studio Crawls, cross industry collaborative events and Freshies and Fellows activities further enriching our engagement with young professionals.

AILA SA has hosted several practice visits in 2023/2024 to share updates with members and seek feedback from practices on how the chapter can add value to membership and continue support.

Our members came together for two key networking events – the AILA SA Annual Chapter Meeting including Panel Discussion with the 2023 President Award recipient and other local government representatives and the End of Year Party in December 2023 to celebrate our collective achievements and milestones.

In October 2023 we were delighted to host the UN/EARTH Landscape Architecture Festival and support our local Creative Directors to realise their visions for the first Festival to be held in SA.

A new initiative in 2024 included a LAs in Public Practice Roundtable hosted by AILA SA and the Office for Design and Architecture (ODASA) was a highlight and included discussions about knowledge sharing, practice support and networking opportunities for LAs in Public Practice.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

AILA SA continues to maintain strong relationships with government including the Office for Design and Architecture (ODASA), PLAN SA, the State Planning Commission, Department for Infrastructure and Transport, Department for Environment and Water, Green Adelaide, and Preventive Health SA.

One of the highlights of our year was the establishment of the inaugural Minister for Planning's Award at the 2024 AILA SA Landscape Architecture Awards, creating new pathways for recognising and promoting the value of Landscape Architecture in our State.

The Minister for Planning's - Built Environment Education Task Group continues to meet to work on key issues facing the professions in relation to education pathways for Landscape Architects and other built environment design professionals.

AILA SA provided several responses to government consultations and have established an Advocacy Panel to support our member roundtable program each year. Submissions included - Draft Urban Greening Strategy for Metro Adelaide Consultation, Greater Adelaide Regional Plan Discussion Paper, South Australia's new Biodiversity Act, South Australia's next 20-Year State Infrastructure Strategy, and City of Adelaide - Consultation on Draft Park Lands Community Buildings (Sport and Recreation) Policy.

AILA SA also held several Member Roundtables relating to advocacy to discuss key issues and opportunities facing the profession including: DIT Prequalification, Top 3 Skills for Graduates of Landscape Architecture to inform the new curriculum for the new Adelaide University and a Draft Urban Greening Strategy for Metro Adelaide Roundtable.

Image | AILA SA President's Breakfast with Jeffries

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

The annual Awards program continues to go from strength to strength with record numbers attending both our online Entry Reveal/Presentation to Jury and AILA SA Awards Night in 2024.

This year we welcomed AILA NT Awards entries and celebrated with NT members throughout the program. Our Awards attracted extensive media coverage including our first time on TV, promoting the value of the profession far and wide.

Our exhibition of entries was on display at the Office for Design and Architecture (ODASA) for May and June providing great exposure to the many visitors to their office.

The Chapter based awards including the new Minister for Planning's Award, Water for Life Award, Healthy Parks Healthy People SA Award all provide significant profiling opportunities within government agencies and continue to profile the work of the profession in our Chapter.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

The Chapter held informative Continuing Professional Development (CPD) events including LATITUDE, Delivering Net Zero Projects for Landscape Architecture, Improving Accessible Communication in Parks and Playgrounds, Cultural Awareness training, Lighting 101 CPD and more. As part of our "Be a Landscape Architect" initiative, we actively participated in the One Plus Careers Expo, Immanuel College Careers Expo and the SA's largest Careers and Employment event the Adelaide Careers and Employment Expo inspiring future generations of Landscape Architects in SA. We thank our Education and Connection to Country Committees for their ongoing work and support for many of the above events and programs.

We continue to build strong relationships with the University of Adelaide to provide support during the transition to the new Adelaide University as well as providing support to the current program. This has included letters of support, hosting member roundtables to support curriculum development and briefings with the AILA Board in 2024. The University of Adelaide also supported the 2024 Future Leader Award. SAILA Fresh continues to build connections with students and promote the profession through lectures and other activities at the University.



Image | SAILA Fresh Thursday 2024



Tasmania Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Health and Education Landscape
Discovery Early Learning Centre
by Playstreet
Kanamaluka
Photo by Joel Everaldo

TAS Chapter Report

The TAS chapter ended the year with a really lovely day spent on Country...Immersed in a culturally sacred property... With bare feet on the warm mossy ground and the songs of birds all around us we learnt stories of Country and culture ending the day under a rock outcrop surrounded by the deadly sounds of the didgeridoo. A very healing experience that all who went enjoyed.

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M. SHEVLAND, AILA RLA

AILA Tasmania has had another successful year, marked by steady membership, ongoing advocacy efforts, and active participation in educational and cultural events.

The chapter continues to foster professional growth and community engagement, reinforcing its vital role in shaping the landscape architecture profession in Tasmania. The demand for Landscape Architects has remained robust, notably in the education and tourism sectors.

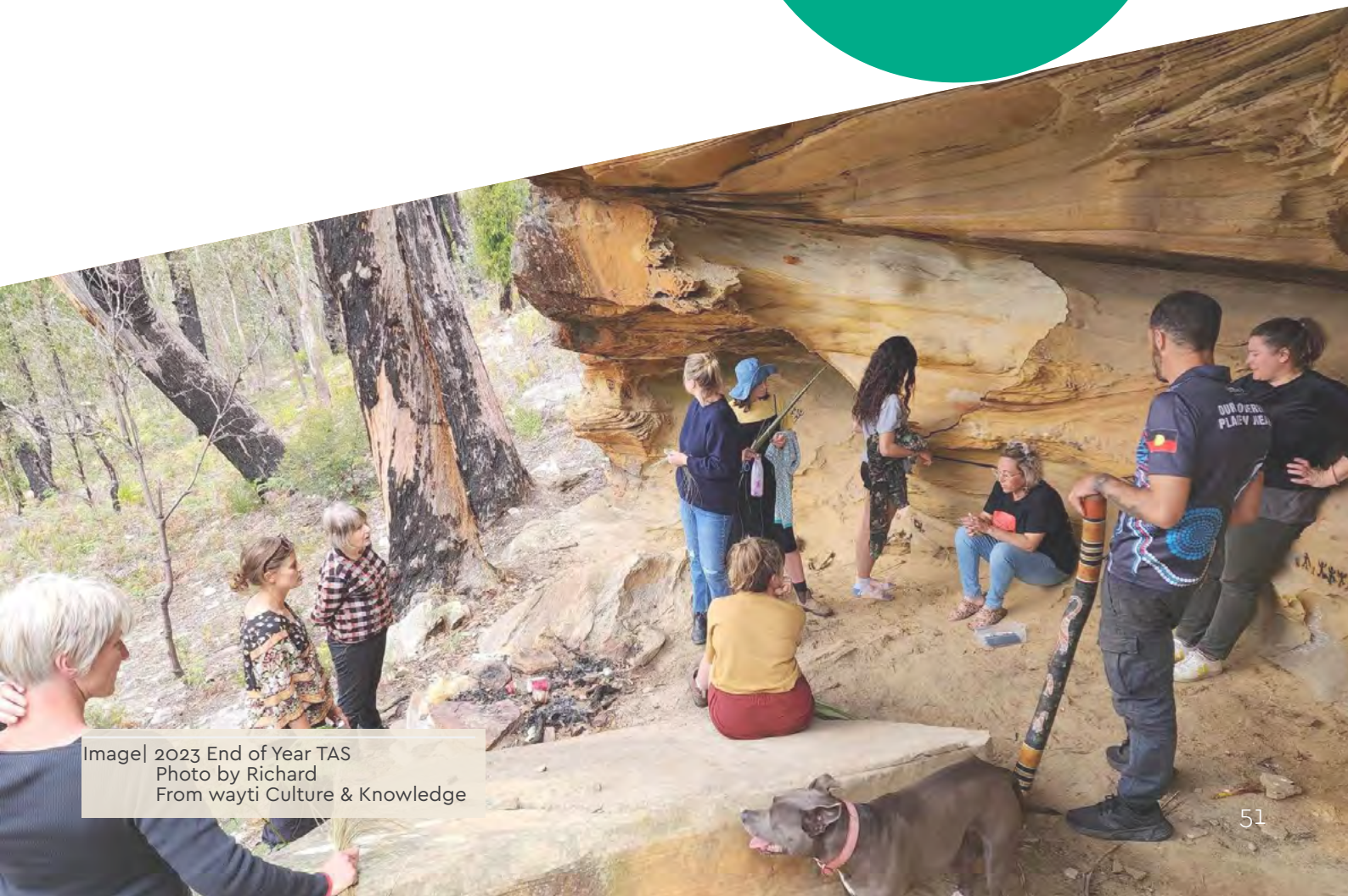
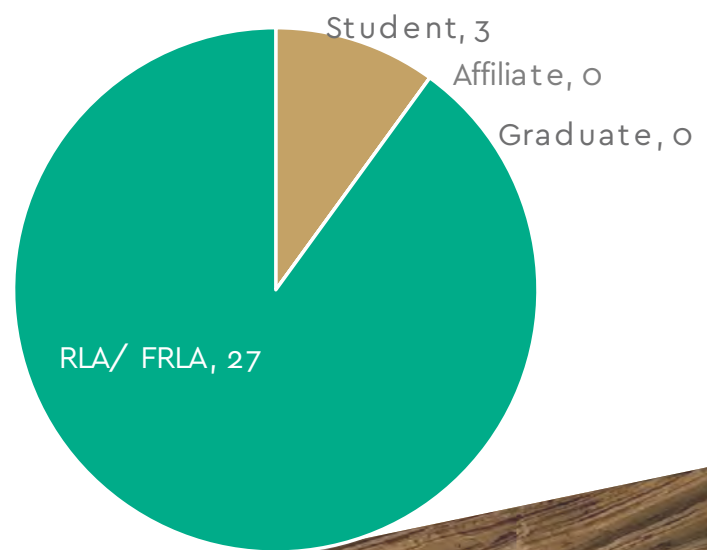


Image | 2023 End of Year TAS
Photo by Richard
From wayti Culture & Knowledge

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

The AILA Tasmania Chapter has maintained a steady membership throughout the 2023/24 year, with notable participation from a Graduate member pursuing the Mentorship Pathway to become a Registered Landscape Architect. This initiative highlights the importance of professional development and career progression within the chapter. Additionally, members have actively engaged with the broader community by participating in events such as the Smith Family Careers Day, where they promoted the value and opportunities within the profession of Landscape Architecture to young students.

Members also enjoyed a unique cultural immersion experience with wayti Culture & Knowledge at Garden Island Creek during the End of Year Event, enriching their understanding of local heritage and cultural landscapes.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

AILA Tasmania has continued to build on its strong relationships with key industry bodies, including the Australian Institute of Architects (AIA) and the Planning Institute of Australia (PIA). This ongoing collaboration has reinforced the chapter's commitment to fostering partnerships that benefit the built environment and landscape architecture across Tasmania. AILA Tasmania has also maintained a productive relationship with the Hobart City Council, ensuring that landscape architecture remains integral to urban planning and development discussions.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

Tasmanian members have shown a keen interest in furthering their education and professional development. Several members attended the UN/EARTH Festival in South Australia, expanding their knowledge and connections within the field. The chapter's engagement with the Garden History Society is another highlight, with members participating in various events as part of the ongoing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). Members have also benefitted from AILA's increased offerings of online Professional Development events, which have provided flexible learning opportunities for the chapter.



Image | 2023 End of Year TAS, Sue Small
Photo by Richard
From wayti Culture & Knowledge



Victoria Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Civic Landscape
Wangaratta Railway Precinct – Stage 01
by Hassell Studio
Yorta Yorta Country
Photo by Sarah Pannell

VIC Chapter Report

” It was a great night (and venue), and a fantastic opportunity to catch up with old friends and colleagues. This type of event brings like minded people together, and reinforces the importance of professional bodies such as AILA.

AILA VIC MEMBER

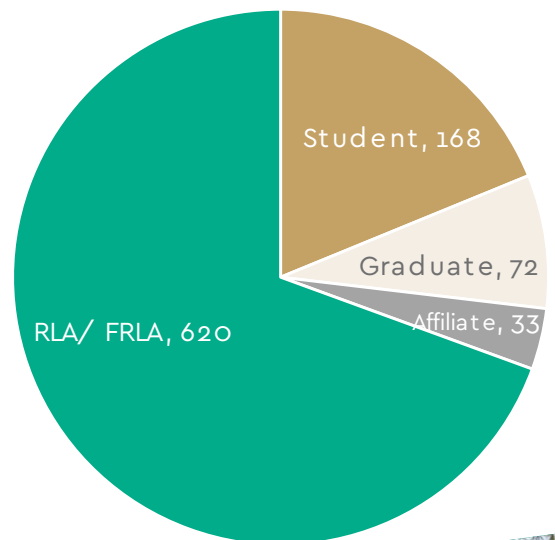
New executives and chapter manager started in August 2023.

Primary internal goal for year 2023-2024 was to rebuild in person program after the impacts of extended COVID impacts to Victorian members. We also wanted to re-engage the AILA VIC membership with AILA and each other, particularly given our Membership survey result of the preceding year.

A primary external goal for this time frame was to begin connecting AILA VIC into design, horticulture and allied industries and organisations. To make AILA VIC an instrumental player - the voice of landscape architecture in Victoria - within the organisations that shape our built environment. Industry leadership and partnerships with key industries have been established with Heritage Council, (featuring Annette Warner, GbLA and Lucas Dean, TCL as panelists at the Botanica Festival), NGIV, City of Melbourne, AGIN, MPavilion, Living Cities, Open House Melbourne, Parks and Leisure Victoria. In Melbourne Design Week, furthering public dialogue, there was huge presence in a number of public events this year - from one LA presenting at MDW last year to 20 this year.

Advocacy was our third key effort this year. In 2024 we have approached and met with Ministers and introduced project tours to the AILA VIC program so that we can talk to Ministers about the value and impact LAs have on communities.

A fourth key area of the program, engaging with public practitioners, has been prioritised to share knowledge, shape policy and ensure LAs working in public practice voices are elevated.



MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

Membership in VIC at the close of FY 23/24 was 925 members including 514 RLAs which is a 4% increase from last year (901 members, 514 RLAs).

This financial year we recommenced practice visits as part of state executive meetings to meet and connect with members. We had practice visits in REALMStudios, Hansen Partnership, Urbis, Aspect Studios, Spiire and Arcadia.

We held our first ever Committees thank you event in Dec 2023 to thank the chairs and committee members for their contributions to our chapter over the year. This was very well received and attended.

Our recognitions and End of Year Celebration was held at The Terrace, Royal Botanic Gardens, a values-aligned environment of high design excellence for our community. Invited industry collaborators from mPavilion, Living Cities, Open House and other attended to broaden our focus beyond the industry.

Commenced Shop Talk event series in March 2024 designed for early career LAs. This accessible price point event focusses on topics to engage discussion and bring LA communities together.

AILA VIC Fresh continued to deliver an amazing program for our next generation. The Herring Island volunteer days are run quarterly and are extremely successful. They also hosted a closing event to the mentor program in October 2023 and reopened the program in June 2024 with the largest participants to date (30 mentors and 30 mentees). Fresh Thursday Studio Visits were also hosted at City of Melbourne in Feb, Mesh Planning in April, and Tract in May. AILA VIC Fresh has also collaborated with EmAGN on BOOK NOOK, reviewing the First Knowledges series.

Another highlight for AILA VIC Fresh this year was the Common Ground x International Women's Day 2024 collaboration with EmAGN and Young Planners. This was the first time the three professions have collaborated in a formal way since 2019 so it was great to reengage this working relationship. This sell out event included a panel of speakers and mentorship opportunities. Please click [here](#) to access link.

AILA VIC's Fellows/Past presidents gathering at Robin Boyd house in March 2024 was created to celebrate the legacy of the institute and profession. Government Architect Jill Garner addressed the event.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

AILA VIC was approached by the Minister for Planning's office and State Gov (DEECA) to be involved in developing detail around the Housing Statement. This is a large strategic piece. To be approached because government values the knowledge of the landscape architectural industry is a brilliant opportunity to advance our advocacy. Minister for Planning member briefing was held on Thur 9 May.

AILA VIC also worked on building advocacy with OVGA, was invited to round tables for Plan for Victoria, interviewed about the policy reform for the Planning and Environment Act, and commenced conversations about Government Contracts. VBA's Chief Strategy and Risk Officer, Todd Bentley attended the VIC Awards Ceremony and was overwhelmed by all the work LAs are doing. Further discussions with Todd are helping to navigate how to best get recognition on the way. This work is aimed at elevating our voice, presence and understanding of who we are and the projects we do.

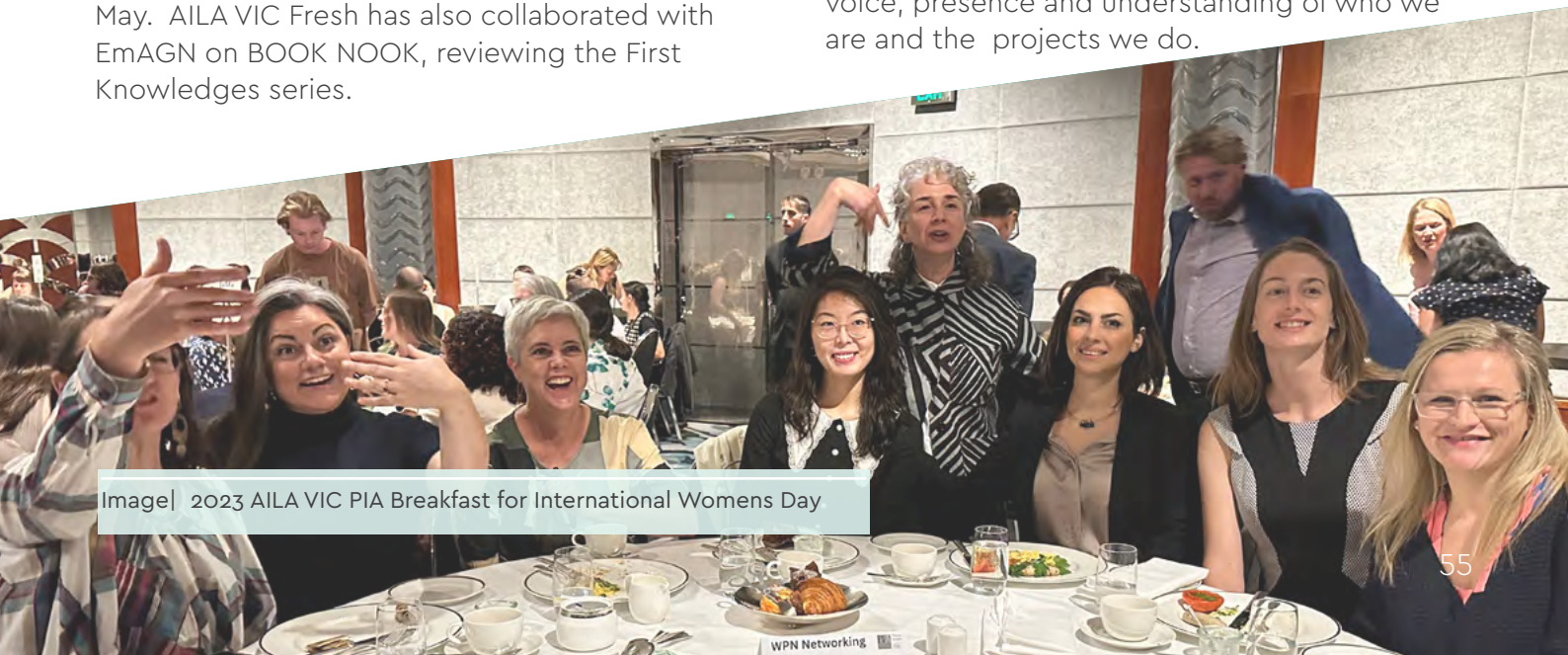


Image | 2023 AILA VIC PIA Breakfast for International Womens Day

Public Practice forum with DEECA held Feb 2024 for LAs working in public practice to discuss the Guide for Open Space Strategy with members and gain their input.

NSW Mulch contamination event and discussion held with members with partners ecoDynamics to inform members of industry issue.

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

AILA Victoria's profile is increasing. We are receiving invitations to attend industry events that are focused on advocacy, knowledge sharing, and/or social including Horticulture Showcase at Parliament House, Industry nights at our Universities, participation on the CoM Design Excellence Advisory Panel, Living Cities reference Group, MPavilion program launch, judging the end of semester student awards at Melb Uni, hosting Richard Weller's floor talk, and attendance at allied industry awards ceremonies.

The Presidents and Chapter Managers/EDs from AIA, PIA, UDF are building a more formal connection. Whilst more of a sharing of info this is also proving to be a great way for AILA to raise its profile and be seen as leaders in the built environment industry.

The awards program PR efforts included coverage of key projects on ABC radio and Channel 9.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

AILA Vic attended the Geography Teachers Association of Victoria Conference in August 2023. We had an enthusiastic response from members to support the stand and Verity received some great intel from other partners in attendance in terms of how to improve our

offering to schools and importantly draw the attention to future landscape architects. AILA VIC also attended Santa Maria Career Expo in June 2023, which was the first school expo we have attended and was successful.

The Education Committee has been fully engaged with the BALA program and working to strengthen the program within Victoria. AILA VIC pitched the BALA program to the NGV for funding to deliver and outreach program to high school students as part of the Reimagining Birarrung 2027 exhibition.

AILA Vic were present at two of the industry nights at The University of Melbourne (DES Students (undergrads) and Urban Collective + SOLA (post grads) in Sept 2023. Both nights were extremely successful in promoting landscape architecture and AILA within the academic community. Attendees appreciated the networking opportunities and the chance to interact with professionals in the field. There was a significantly increased awareness about landscape architecture and AILA among students with many students (outside of LA) expressing a newfound interest in our profession.

AILA VIC has produced a number of CPD events for members this financial year:
* SESL lunchtime webinar: The Good Oil On Soil + Horticulture. Sept 2023. Attended by 181 registrants.

* Latitude: From the Ground Up (online workshop) run 3 times selling out each time * "Regenerative for a changing climate" was an online webinar run by an AILA member.

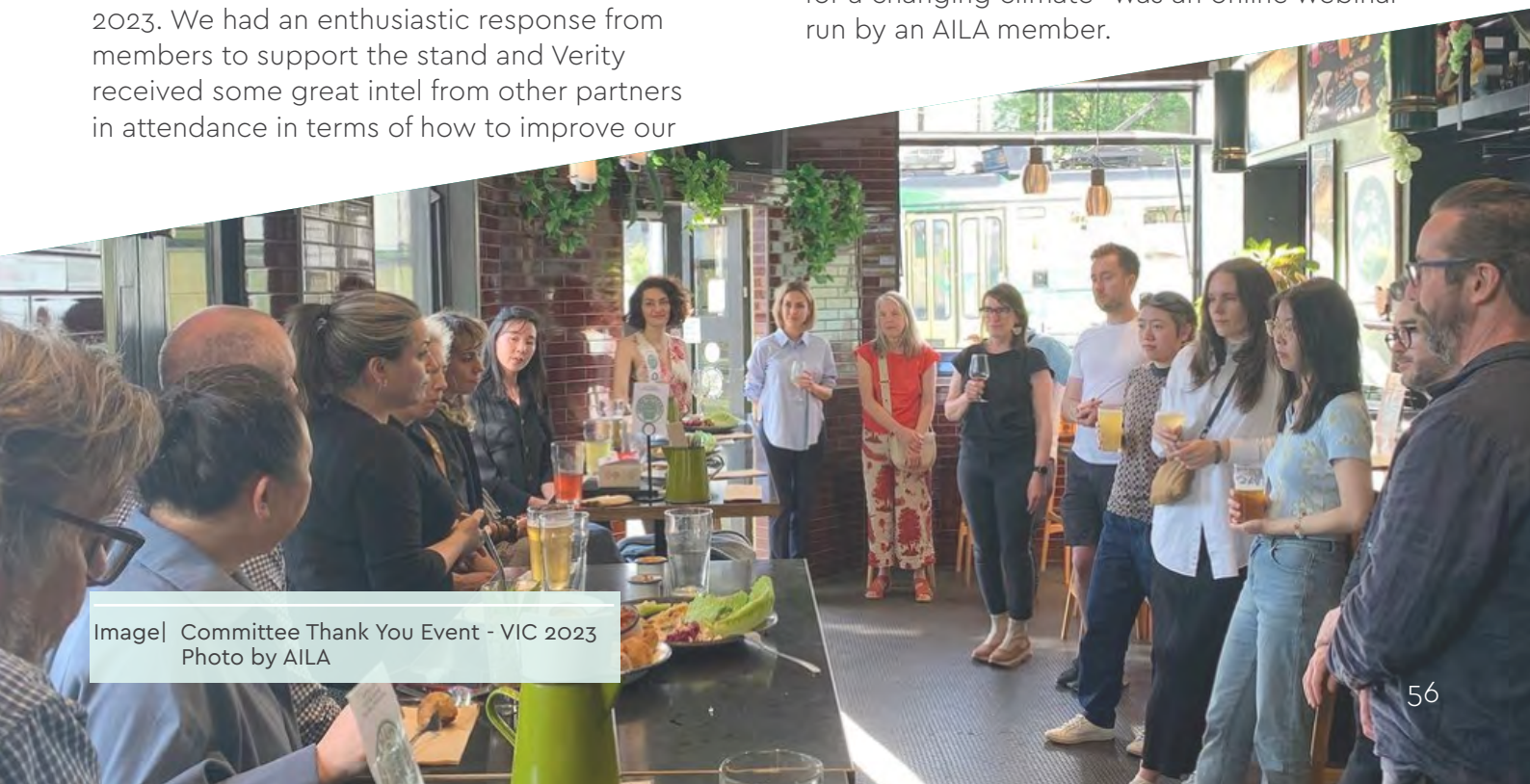


Image | Committee Thank You Event - VIC 2023
Photo by AILA



Western Australia Highlights

Image | 2023 AILA National Landscape Architecture Award for Parks and Open Space
Koolambidi Woola – Bunbury Youth Precinct
by Playce Pty Ltd
Wardandi Noongar (naming of space)
Photo by Graham Hay

WA Chapter Report

Thank you for your efforts with the awards night on Friday. I had an excellent time, I thought that the venue was great and thoroughly enjoyed catching up with friends and colleagues.

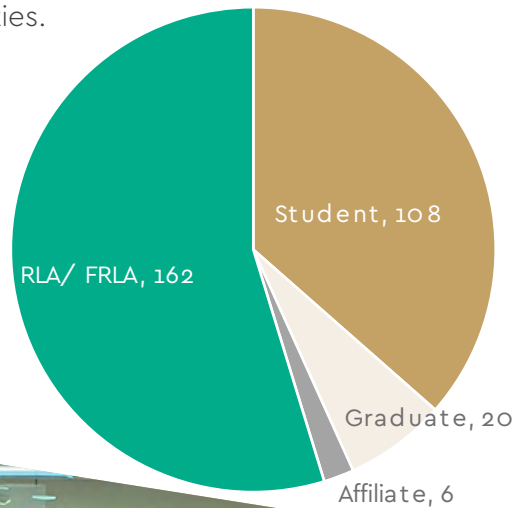
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AILA WA MEMBER

AILA Western Australia has had another outstanding year. Our longstanding partners, Mondoluce and DS Group, continued to provide valuable support, and we were pleased to maintain our relationship with the WAPC, which once again backed the WA Awards program. We were also excited to welcome a new partner, Ellenby, with whom we've quickly established a strong connection.

Despite being tasked with delivering a breakeven budget, we managed to achieve a small net profit. As we enter the next financial year, we are working towards a budget that targets a surplus of 7%.

In July 2023, we added a few new members to the AILA WA Executive – Kirsten Dawson, Paul Verity and Michael Pearce. Continuing on were Giles Pickard (President), Bel Foster (Vice President), Jon Everett (Secretary) and Nicholas Pierson. The Executive team engaged in operational planning to identify key areas of the Strategic Plan for focus and developed some unique Chapter initiatives to add flair to our activities.



Image| WA Design Dialogues Richard Weller

MEMBERSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

We are pleased to report an overall membership growth of 9.4% in Western Australia since the end of the 2022/23 Financial Year. We welcomed four new Registered Landscape Architects into our ranks. A special thank you goes out to our dedicated interview panellists who have played a crucial role in ensuring the quality and integrity of our membership selection process.

In December we recognised a new Fellow, Vicki Winfield. Vicki was presented with a Fellowship for her incredible and ground-breaking work in the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions over a number of years.

AILA Fresh, our Students and Graduates network, has seen a series of successful events: Welcome Lunches at UWA in August 2023 and March 2024; a Speed Networking event in September 2022 and Fresh Friday events, further enriching our engagement with young professionals.

Our members came together for social events, including an End of Year Party in December 2023 offered a festive way to celebrate our collective achievements and milestones. We've also continued our office visits to share updates, provide information and seek feedback from Practices/Offices.

ADVOCACY HIGHLIGHTS

AILA WA Advocacy Chair, Damien Pericles, has coordinated a group of allied professions and advocacy organisations to form a working group aimed at providing coordinated advice to the state government on the proposed Perth & Peel Urban Greening Strategy. This collaborative effort is a testament to our commitment to a vision for "A Cool, Shady, Connected and Biodiverse Perth that urgently delivers Healthy, Liveable and Climate Resilient Cities and Towns - Grounded in our unique Culture and Place". Our Committee, led by Damien Pericles and Paul Verity, chaired a number of roundtables and also attended workshops on this important initiative.

PROFILE HIGHLIGHTS

AILA WA was delighted to launch the Design Dialogues talk series in September with Richard Weller being our first speaker. We welcomed over 100 design professionals to UWA to the inaugural event. We followed that with a talk from Australian Landscape Architect, Kym Lansell who has been practicing overseas for the past 13 years. We also held two Design Dialogues events at Perth Design Week - "Designing with Country" and "More Than Human Design".

The Awards Entries Reveal Night held in Fremantle was an exciting event that showcased this year's remarkable entries and nominees, setting the tone for a year of recognition and excellence. The Awards night at Perth Zoo was a fantastic celebration of the outstanding work being done by our members across Western Australia.



Image | WA 2024 Awards Reveal

The Awards night at the Perth Zoo was a fabulous celebration of all of the incredible work that is being undertaken by our members in Western Australia. To further honor our winners, we launched various social media campaigns, including paid posts, ensuring that their achievements were highlighted and celebrated by a broad and engaged audience.

The Awards also received valuable media coverage, highlighting the importance and impact of our recognition program within the industry and beyond. Once again, the Yagan Square Screen served as a great platform to feature our Awards winners and their exceptional contributions, adding an extra layer of visibility and prestige to our winners.

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

We partnered with Stormwater WA and Institute of Public Works Engineers in May for Hydropolis 2024 conference.

Our new Supporting Corporate Partner Ellenby took members on an informative tour of the tree farm in May.

As part of our "Be a Landscape Architect" initiative, we had a stand in the Careers Expo again, promoting the profession and engaging with potential future landscape architects.

We continued to foster the great relationship with UWA School of Design, by offering Prizes to Landscape Architecture Students; supporting and promoting the Desing Exhibitions and doing welcome lunches each semester for Landscape Architecture students. We also collaborated with Students and Staff on Perth Design Week Events.

Our Connection to Country Committee continued to work tirelessly to bridge the gap.

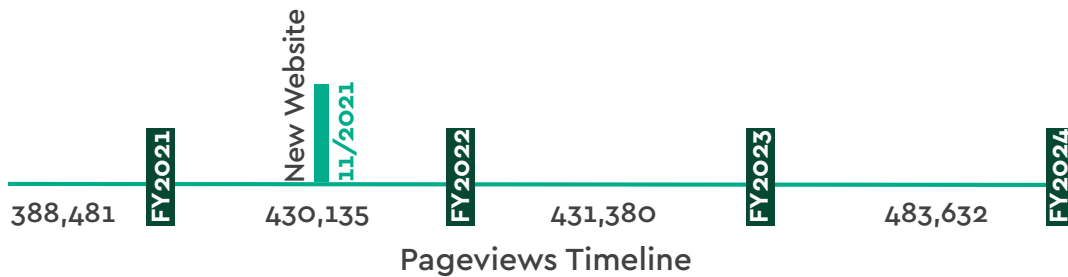


Image | WA Speed Networking 2023

AILA Website

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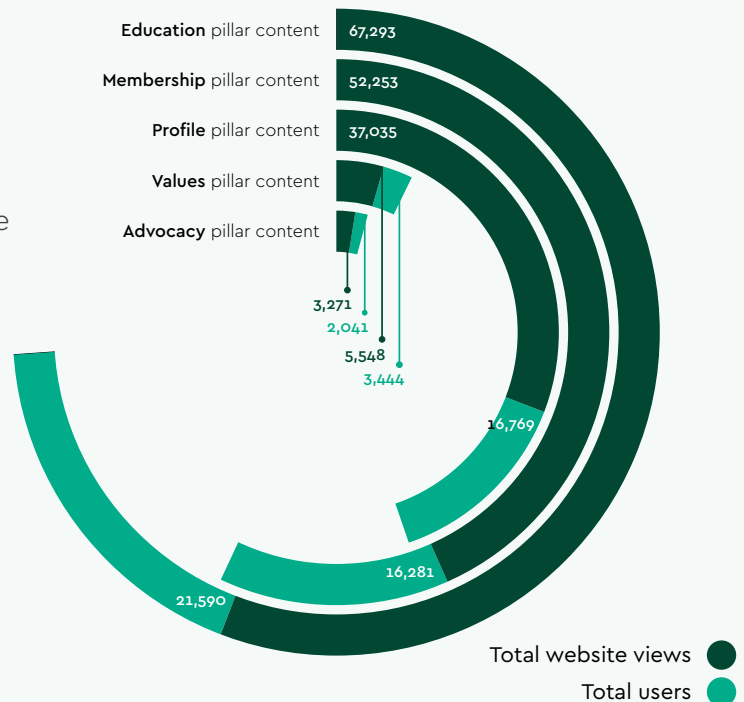
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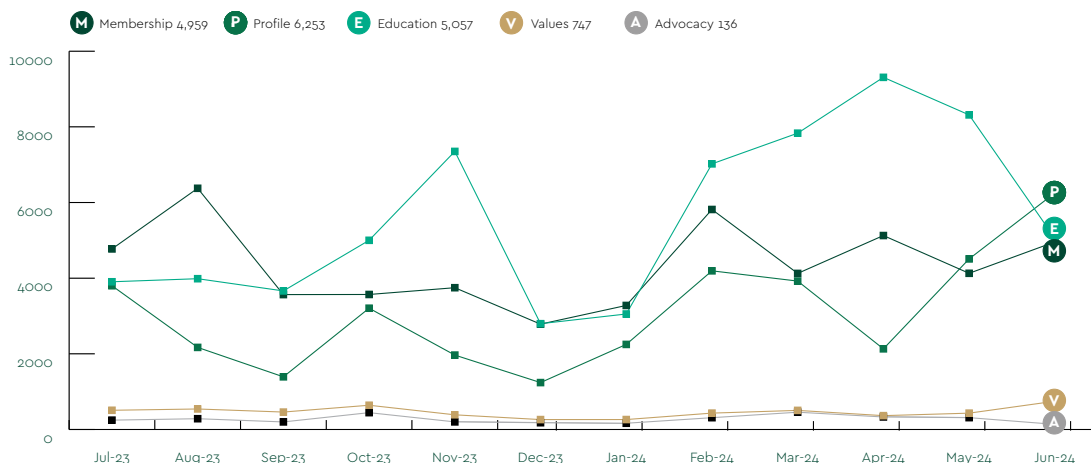
STRATEGIC PILLARS WEBSITE PERFORMANCE

The data shows that the website has consistently attracted users across all strategic pillars. From 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, the website achieved a total of 483,632 pageviews, representing a 12.11% increase compared to the previous year, with a number increase of 52,252 pageviews.

This positive trend is a testament to the effectiveness of the strategies and content initiatives implemented over the year. These insights reflect a strong connection between the website's offerings and its audience, which is critical for continued success.



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Memberscape®

Worthwhile medium for AILA members
to communicate”

AILA Member

MEMBERSCAPE® GROWTH

Since the launch of Memberscape® in November 2021, the platform has witnessed remarkable growth and engagement, far exceeding its initial year of operation. The first year laid a strong foundation, and in the most recent data from July 2023 to June 2024, we see continued momentum with an impressive 1819 members logging in and accepting the Terms & Conditions, marking a 15.9% increase from the previous year. Additionally, the total logins surged to 3338, reflecting a 39.7% increase compared to the previous year. This consistent and growing engagement highlights the platform's evolving role as a central hub for the community, fostering connections and knowledge sharing among members, and underlining its value in the professional landscape.

Registered Landscape Architects (RLA's) are by far the most engaged members within the Memberscape community. This indicates that RLAs are highly active, contributing significantly to discussions and community interactions. Student Members also show considerable engagement, showing that the Memberscape is appealing to emerging professionals who are keen to connect and learn from the broader community.

Memberscape® discussions are a diverse range of topics. With RLAs leading the way, discussions might focus on professional practice, project experiences, and industry trends.

Engagement member types in The Hive

- Registered Landscape Architects | 57.83%
- Students | 14.46%
- Registered Landscape Architect Fellows | 10.84%
- Graduates | 7.23%
- Applicants | 7.23%
- Affiliates | 2.41%

Top library resources

Month	Resource title	Views
Jun	2022 Landscape Architects Salary Survey	58
Jun	AILA Practice Note #1 - Engagement of Consultants	47
Jun	AILA Practice Note #2 - Scope of Services	44
All-time	2022 Landscape Architects Salary Survey	2095

Top searches

Month	Title	Seaches
Jun	climate positive	6
Jun	cpd	6
May	insurance	11
May	cpd	8
April	salary survey	69
April	CPD	58

An aerial photograph showing a long, straight beach stretching from the ocean on the left to a dense forest on the right. The beach is a mix of sand and low-lying vegetation. The ocean is a deep blue-green color with white waves breaking onto the shore. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. A large, light-colored diagonal graphic element is overlaid on the left side of the image.

APPENDIX 1

- Financial Statements 2023-24
- Directors' Declaration
- Independent Audit Report

Image| 2023 AILA National Award of Excellence for Land Management
Shoreline Drive Landscape Plan
by ASPECT Studios
Gunaikurnai Country/Gunaikurnai Land and Waters Aboriginal Corporation (GLaWAC)
Photo by GLaWAC

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Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

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AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS LTD

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Directors' Report

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

The directors present their report on AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS LTD for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Directors

The names of the directors in office at any time during, or since the end of, the year are:

Names	Position
Ben Willsmore	President
Jasmine Ong	Vice President
Cia Flannery	Secretary (joined Board 21/11/2023, Secretary from 13/05/2024)
Katie Earle	Board Member (Secretary until 13/05/2024)
Andy Sharp	Board Member
Peta-Maree Ashford	President (resigned 4/11/2023)

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Information on Directors

The names of each person who has been a director during the year and to the date of this report are:

Ben Willsmore

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture (First Class Honours)
Bachelor of Design Studies

Cia Flannery

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
Bachelor of Applied Science - Environmental Design

Katie Earle

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Jasmine Ong

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture and Diploma in Horticulture

Andy Sharp

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture
Master of Business Administration

Peta-Maree Ashford

Qualifications Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Principal activities

The principal activity of Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd (the Company) during the financial year was to operate a professional association of landscape architects. The organisation's principal activities are to advance the interests of landscape architects and landscape architecture through promotion, campaigning and communicating to the public and key stakeholders the benefits of landscape architecture, and to support the profession through delivery of relevant services, benefits and products to support their practice and career.

Directors' Report

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

No significant changes in the nature of the Company's activity occurred during the financial year.

Short term objectives

The Company's short term objectives are to:

- (a) Increase membership growth and engagement;
- (b) Increase sponsorship and partnership growth and engagement;
- (c) Increase advocacy and public campaigning through government, industry and public communications campaigns and engagement;
- (d) Increase student awareness and subsequent growth in enrolments within University programs;
- (e) Increase membership services, including individual and practice support and continuing professional development.

Objectives of the Company

- (i) Facilitate the exchange of knowledge and information influencing the practice of the profession;
- (ii) Represent the professional views of its members;
- (iii) Influence government policy and legislation in the interests of its members and the profession;
- (iv) Promote and co-ordinate public and stakeholder confidence in the profession;
- (v) Establish and maintain high professional standards for its members;
- (vi) Provide for, review and/or otherwise help facilitate appropriate educational courses and activities;
- (vii) Deliver accountability and good corporate governance of the Institute; and
- (viii) Otherwise advance the professional interests of Members.

Operating results and review of operations for the year

Operating results

The loss of the Company amounted to \$ (20,835) (2023: loss \$115,098).

Other items

Matters or circumstances arising after the end of the year

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or could significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

Meetings of directors

During the financial year, 7 meetings of directors (including committees of directors) were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

Directors' Report
For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Directors' Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Ben Willsmore	4	4
Cia Flannery	4	4
Katie Earle	3	4
Jasmine Ong	4	4
Andy Sharp	4	4
Peta-Maree Ashford	1	1



Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS LTD.

Auditor's independence declaration

The lead auditor's independence declaration in accordance with section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001*, for the year ended 30 June 2024 has been received and can be found on page 4 of the financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors:

Director:  Director: 

Dated this 18th day of October 2024

AUDITORS INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO DIRECTORS OF THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS LTD

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the 12 months ended 30 June 2024 there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Vincents Assurance and Risk Advisory



Phillip W Miller
Director

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Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd
ABN: 84 008 531 851

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
		\$	\$
Revenue	4	2,765,249	2,467,329
Employee Benefits expenses		(1,594,754)	(1,425,418)
Depreciation and Amortisation expense		(10,621)	(20,552)
Consultants & Professional Services expenses		(31,939)	(194,369)
Publication expenses		(148,503)	(79,272)
Office expenses		(10,569)	(14,783)
Events, Awards & Administration expenses		(924,302)	(897,833)
Accounting fees		(22,483)	(4,106)
Other expenses		(47,896)	(34,632)
Loss before income tax		(25,818)	(203,636)
Income tax expense	5	4,983	88,538
Loss for the year		(20,835)	(115,098)
Other comprehensive income/ (loss) for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive loss for the year		(20,835)	(115,098)

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd
ABN: 84 008 531 851

Statement of Financial Position

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	446,654	553,728
Trade and other receivables	7	107,961	84,053
Other assets	8	70,608	152,210
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		625,223	789,991
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	9	6,511	6,627
Deferred tax assets	15	93,521	88,538
Intangible assets	10	10,927	14,519
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		110,959	109,684
TOTAL ASSETS		736,182	899,675
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	11	328,487	307,808
Other liabilities	12	285,004	426,850
Employee benefits	13	100,590	122,081
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		714,081	856,739
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Employee benefits	13	16,019	16,019
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		16,019	16,019
TOTAL LIABILITIES		730,100	872,758
NET ASSETS		6,082	26,917
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		6,082	26,917
TOTAL EQUITY		6,082	26,917

Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd
ABN: 84 008 531 851

Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024	2023
		\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:			
Receipts from customers		2,798,233	2,502,220
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,888,099)	(2,527,593)
Interest received		3,219	101
Interest paid		(13,515)	(433)
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities		<u>(100,162)</u>	<u>(25,705)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		<u>(6,912)</u>	<u>(7,592)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		<u>(6,912)</u>	<u>(7,592)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents held		(107,074)	(33,297)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		553,728	587,025
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	6	<u><u>446,654</u></u>	<u>553,728</u>

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

2024	Retained	Total
	Earnings	
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2023	26,917	26,917
Loss for the year	(20,835)	(20,835)
Balance at 30 June 2024	6,082	6,082

2023	Retained	Total
	Earnings	
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 July 2022	142,015	142,015
Loss for the year	(115,098)	(115,098)
Balance at 30 June 2023	26,917	26,917

Notes to the Financial Statements

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The financial report covers Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd as an individual entity. Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd is a Company, incorporated and domiciled in Australia.

The functional and presentation currency of Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd is Australian dollars.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1. Basis of Preparation

The Company does not have 'public accountability' as defined in AASB 1053 Application of Tiers of Australian Accounting Standards and is therefore eligible to apply the 'Tier 2' reporting framework under Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements comply with the recognition and measurement requirements of Australian Accounting Standards the presentation requirements in those Standards as modified by AASB 1060 General Purpose Financial Statements Simplified Disclosures For Profit and Not-for-Profit Tier 2 Entities (AASB 1060) and the disclosure requirements in AASB 1060. Accordingly, the financial statements comply with Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in financial statements containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities. Significant accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are presented below and are consistent with prior reporting periods unless otherwise stated.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Income Tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are measured at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the asset is realised or the liability is settled, based on tax rates (and tax laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for all deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary differences and losses can be utilised.

Current and deferred tax is recognised as income or an expense and included in profit or loss for the period except where the tax arises from a transaction which is recognised in other comprehensive income or equity, in which case the tax is recognised in other comprehensive income or equity respectively.

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(b) Revenue and other income

Revenue is recognised when the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Company and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below, has been satisfied.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised goods or services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Revenue is recognised by applying a five-step model as follows:

1. Identify the contract with the customer
2. Identify the performance obligations
3. Determine the transaction price
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations
5. Recognise revenue as and when control of the performance obligations is transferred

Sale of goods

Revenue is recognised on transfer of goods to the customer as this is deemed to be the point in time when risks and rewards are transferred and there is no longer any ownership or effective control over the goods.

Grant revenue

When the Company receives operating grant revenue or donations, it assesses whether the contract is enforceable and has sufficiently specific performance obligations in accordance to AASB 15:

When both these conditions are satisfied, the Company:

- identifies each performance obligation relating to the grant;
- recognises a contract liability for its obligations under the agreement; and
- recognises revenue as it satisfies its performance obligations.

Where the contract is not enforceable or does not have sufficiently specific performance obligations, the Company:

- recognises the asset received in accordance with the recognition requirements of other applicable accounting standards;
- recognises related amounts (being contributions by owners, lease liability, financial instruments, provisions, revenue or contract liability arising from a contract with a customer); and
- recognises income immediately in profit or loss as the difference between the initial carrying amount of the asset and the related amount.

If the contract liability is recognised as a related amount above, the Company recognises income in profit or loss when or as it satisfies its obligations under the contract.

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Rendering of services

Revenue in relation to rendering of services is recognised depending on whether the outcome of the services can be estimated reliably. If the outcome can be estimated reliably then the stage of completion of the services is used to determine the appropriate level of revenue to be recognised in the period.

If the outcome cannot be reliably estimated then revenue is recognised to the extent of expenses recognised that are recoverable.

Subscriptions

Revenue from the provision of membership subscriptions is recognised on a straight line basis over the financial year.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Company is entitled to it.

(c) Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset are capitalised as part of the cost of that asset.

All other borrowing costs are recognised as an expense in the period in which they are incurred.

(d) Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST), except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

(e) Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(f) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

Plant and equipment are measured using the cost model.

Depreciation

Plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the assets useful life to the Company, commencing when the asset is ready for use.

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Fixed asset class	Useful life
Office Equipment	2-5 years

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

(g) Intangible assets

Amortisation

Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of intangible assets, from the date that they are available for use.

Amortisation methods, useful lives and residual values are reviewed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

(h) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised initially on the date that the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

On initial recognition, all financial instruments are measured at fair value plus transaction costs (except for instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss where transaction costs are expensed as incurred).

Financial assets

All recognised financial assets are subsequently measured in their entirety at either amortised cost or fair value, depending on the classification of the financial assets.

Classification

On initial recognition, the Association classifies its financial assets into the following categories, those measured at amortised cost

Financial assets are not reclassified subsequent to their initial recognition unless the Company changes its business model for managing financial assets.

Amortised cost

Assets measured at amortised cost are financial assets where:

- the business model is to hold assets to collect contractual cash flows; and
- the contractual terms give rise on specified dates to cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding.

The Company's financial assets measured at amortised cost comprise trade and other receivables and cash and cash equivalents in the statement of financial position.

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Subsequent to initial recognition, these assets are carried at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method less provision for impairment.

Interest income, foreign exchange gains or losses and impairment are recognised in profit or loss. Gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in profit or loss.

Impairment of financial assets

Impairment of financial assets is recognised on an expected credit loss (ECL) basis for the financial assets measured at amortised cost.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial assets has increased significant since initial recognition and when estimating ECL, the Company considers reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis based on the Company's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward looking information.

The Company uses the presumption that an asset which is more than 30 days past due has seen a significant increase in credit risk.

The Company uses the presumption that a financial asset is in default when the other party is unlikely to pay its credit obligations to the Company in full, without recourse to the Company to actions such as realising security (if any is held).

Credit losses are measured as the present value of the difference between the cash flows due to the Association in accordance with the contract and the cash flows expected to be received. This is applied using a probability weighted approach.

Trade receivables

Impairment of trade receivables have been determined using the simplified approach in AASB 9 which uses an estimation of lifetime expected credit losses. The Company has determined the probability of non-payment of the receivable and multiplied this by the amount of the expected loss arising from default.

The amount of the impairment is recorded in a separate allowance account with the loss being recognised in finance expense. Once the receivable is determined to be uncollectable then the gross carrying amount is written off against the associated allowance.

Where the Company renegotiates the terms of trade receivables due from certain customers, the new expected cash flows are discounted at the original effective interest rate and any resulting difference to the carrying value is recognised in profit or loss.

Other financial assets measured at amortised cost

Impairment of other financial assets measured at amortised cost are determined using the expected credit loss model in AASB 9. On initial recognition of the asset, an estimate of the expected credit losses for the next 12 months is recognised. Where the asset has experienced significant increase in credit risk then the lifetime losses are estimated and recognised.

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For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

Financial liabilities

The Company measures all financial liabilities initially at fair value less transaction costs, subsequently financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

The financial liabilities of the Company comprise trade payables and finance lease liabilities.

(i) Impairment of non-financial assets

At the end of each reporting period the Company determines whether there is an evidence of an impairment indicator for non-financial assets

Where an indicator exists and regardless for indefinite life intangible assets and intangible assets not yet available for use, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated.

Where assets do not operate independently of other assets, the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU) is estimated.

The recoverable amount of an asset or CGU is the higher of the fair value less costs of disposal and the value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from an asset or cash-generating unit.

Where the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal indicators are considered in subsequent periods for all assets which have suffered an impairment loss.

(j) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(k) Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

Employee benefits expected to be settled more than one year after the end of the reporting period have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may satisfy vesting requirements. Cashflows are discounted using market yields on high quality corporate bond rates incorporating bonds rated AAA or AA by credit agencies, with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cashflows. Changes in the measurement of the liability are recognised in profit or loss.

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

(I) Going concern

Notwithstanding the loss of \$20,835 (2023: loss \$115,098) incurred by the Company during the year and negative operating cash flows amounting to \$107,074 (2023: \$25,705), the financial report has been prepared on a going concern basis.

The management is of the view that the loss does not impact the Company's long term operations and the Directors are of the view that Company will have sufficient funds to meet its expenditure for the next 12 months.

3. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

Those charged with governance make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

Key estimates - impairment of plant and equipment

The Company assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating conditions specific to the Company that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations which incorporate various key assumptions.

Key estimates - receivables

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

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4. Revenue and Other Income	2024	2023
Revenue from continuing operations	\$	\$
Revenue from other sources		
Publications	-	64
National partners	18,500	106,825
Memberships	1,220,048	1,119,642
Events	408,499	458,760
Accreditation	4,500	7,500
Donations	306	10,000
Insurance Commission	5,899	4,786
Grants	22,000	-
Awards	437,804	240,517
Corporate Partners	601,161	457,634
Other Operational Revenue	46,532	61,601
Total Revenue	2,765,249	2,467,329
5. Income Tax Expense	2024	2023
(a) The major components of tax expense (income) comprise:	\$	\$
Current tax expense		
Current tax	(4,983)	(31,109)
Deferred tax expense		
Deferred tax	(88,538)	(57,429)
	(93,521)	(88,538)
(b) Reconciliation of income tax to accounting profit:		
Prima facie tax payable on profit from ordinary activities before income tax at 25% (2023: 25%)	(4,983)	(31,109)
Less Tax effect of:		
Other deferred tax assets not previously recognised	(88,538)	(57,429)
Income tax attributable to entity	(93,521)	(88,538)
Weighted average effective tax rate	25%	25%
6. Cash and Cash Equivalents	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	446,654	553,728
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	446,654	553,728
7. Trade and other receivables	2024	2023
CURRENT	\$	\$
Trade Receivables	99,205	71,304
Other receivables	8,756	12,749
Total Trade and other receivables	107,961	84,053

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

8. Other Assets	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	70,608	152,210
Total Other assets	70,608	152,210

9. Property, plant and equipment	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Office Equipment		
At cost	196,420	189,507
Accumulated depreciation	(189,909)	(182,880)
Total property, plant and equipment	6,511	6,627

(a) Movements in carrying amounts

Movement in the carrying amounts for each class of property, plant and equipment between the beginning and the end of the current financial year:

	Office Equipment	Total
	\$	\$
Year ended 30 June 2024		
Balance at the beginning of year	6,627	6,627
Additions	6,912	6,912
Depreciation expense	(7,028)	(7,028)
Balance at the end of year	6,511	6,511

10. Intangible Assets	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Patents, trademarks and other rights Cost	2,245	2,245
Net carrying value	2,245	2,245
Website Design Construction Cost	90,290	90,290
Accumulated amortisation and impairment	(81,608)	(78,016)
Net carrying value	8,682	12,274
Total Intangible assets	10,927	14,519

11. Trade and Other Payables	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	41,148	75,897
GST Payable	25,218	17,147
Other payables	262,121	214,764
Total trade and other payables	328,487	307,808

12. Other Liabilities	2024	2023
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Memberships In Advance	266,198	324,508
Income In Advance	18,806	102,342
Total Other Liabilities	285,004	426,850

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024

13. Employee Benefits	2024	2023
CURRENT	\$	\$
Provision for Annual leave	100,590	122,081
	100,590	122,081
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave	16,019	16,019
	16,019	16,019

14. Members' Guarantee

The Company is incorporated under the *Corporations Act 2001* and is a Company limited by guarantee. If the Company is wound up, the constitution states that each member is required to contribute a maximum of \$20 each towards meeting any outstandings and obligations of the Company. At 30 June 2024 the number of members was 3,221 (2023: 3,058).

15. Deferred Tax	2024	2023
(a) Liabilities	\$	\$
Non-Current	-	-
Future income tax benefits attributable to tax losses	(93,531)	(88,538)
Total	(93,531)	(88,538)
(b) Deferred Tax Assets		
Balance at the start of the year	88,538	-
Charged to the income statement	4,983	88,538
Balance at the end of the year	93,521	88,538
Deferred tax assets expected to be settled after more than 12 months	93,521	88,538
Total deferred tax assets	93,521	88,538

16. Key Management Personnel Remuneration

The total remuneration paid to key management personnel of the Company is \$371,919 (2023: \$364,564).

17. Auditors' Remuneration	2024	2023
Remuneration of the auditor Vincents Assurance & Risk Advisory, for:	\$	\$
- auditing or reviewing the financial statements	18,512	17,141
	18,512	17,141

18. Contingencies

In the opinion of the Directors, the Company did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: None).

19. Related Parties

The Company's main related parties are as follows:

Key management personnel - refer to Note 16.

Peta-Maree Ashford (President until 31 Oct 2023) \$250 invoiced (revenue) for reimbursement of personal hotel accommodation paid during Festival 2023.

Katie Earle (Board member) \$500 invoiced (revenue) for reimbursement of personal hotel accommodation paid during Festival 2023.

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20. Events after the end of the Reporting Period

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Company in future financial years.

21. Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the company is:

Registered Office

Level 1 The Realm

18 National Circuit, Canberra ACT 2600

Principle Place

Level 1 The Realm

18 National Circuit, Canberra ACT 2600

Directors' Declaration

For the Year Ended 30 June 2024


The directors of the Company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 6, are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and:

a. comply with Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosure; and

b. give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Company.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director 
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Director *Cia Flannery*
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Dated this 18th day of October 2024

INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS LTD

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

We have audited the financial report of Australian Institute of Landscape Architects Ltd (the Company), which comprises the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion the financial report of the Company has been prepared in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- (i) Giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year ended; and
- (ii) Complying with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the company in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration required by the *Corporations Act 2001*, which has been given to the directors of the Company, would be in the same terms if given to the directors as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Going concern

We draw attention to the financial report, which outlines that the Company has incurred a net loss of \$20,835 for the year ended 30 June 2024 (2023: net loss of \$115,098; 2022: net loss of \$391,497). The Company also generated negative cash flows of \$100,162 from operating activities for the year ended 30 June 2024 (2023: cash outflow of \$25,705; 2022: cash outflow of \$411,667).

During the year of audit, management has identified an accounting system error that resulted in the overstatement of revenue in prior periods, leading to unexpected losses of approximately \$120,000 greater than forecasted for each of the last three years. This issue has been rectified in the current year and measures have been implemented to prevent recurrence. Management has obtained external advice to confirm the validity of their rectifications and to ensure that the Company remains solvent and a going concern.

The Company has approved a budget forecasting a surplus of \$170,000 for the 2024-25 financial year. Based on our review of the Company's interim financial position and performance up to 10 October 2024, we noted a significant improvement in results and an improved equity position that supports management's assessment of the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

These events or conditions, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards to the extent described in Note 2 to the financial report and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intends to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with responsible entities regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Phillip Miller", with a small dot at the end.

Phillip Miller
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