

Camden Design Awards 2008



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The Council is actively seeking to improve the look and feel of public space and the built environment. We are addressing issues raised through national debate around the role of the planning process in creating beautiful, accessible and sustainable places. We are encouraging a wider range of people to engage in and understand the process of achieving good design and seek their involvement in determining the future look and feel of the Borough.

Camden covers an important and diverse area of central London, including Bloomsbury, Hampstead and Primrose Hill as well as other parts of Highgate, Fitzrovia, Regent's Park and Covent Garden. Over 50% of the Borough is a conservation area, including 5645 listed buildings. Within the area, Camden has major businesses such as the Wellcome Trust, The University of London, University College, the British Museum and the British Library as well as major cultural institutions such as the British Museum and the British Library as well as legal precincts of Gray's Inn and Lincoln's Inn. Camden is one of the largest tourist destinations in Britain and St Pancras Station has created an international gateway in the Borough.

Architecture and design play an important role in the life of the Borough. The Bartlett School of Architecture at University College, the Architectural Association and a significant proportion of London's architectural practices are located in the Borough. Local residents contribute strongly to the debate about the built environment, representing a range of views. Overall, Camden is well placed to play a significant part in the development of good practice and new thinking around design and the built environment.

The awards are open as possible, anyone can nominate. There are no categories, the only requirement for the 2008 Awards is that schemes had to be completed between 2006 and January 2008 to be eligible. A total of 38 schemes were nominated for the 2008 Awards. A wide range of private and public schemes were received, reflecting the exciting range of development that continues to be built in the Borough of Camden. The Panel selected five schemes to receive Awards and two to receive Commendations, based on this two groups of young people selected a Young People's Award.

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| Acom House Restaurant 69 Swinton Street WC1X --- Waugh Thistleton Architects | Chalcotts Estate Swiss Cottage NW1 --- HTA | 77-79 Farringdon Road EC1M --- Buckley Gray Yooman | 'Hampstead' 28 Heath St NW3 --- William Tötter Architecture and Design | 176 Prince of Wales Road Chalk Farm NW5 --- Ailford Hall Monaghan Morris Architects | St Martins Gardens Pratt Street NW1 --- Parks and Open Spaces: London Borough of Camden | The Working Men's College 44 Grendale Road NW1 --- Paul Murphy Arch |
| 'Balfour' 75-77 Marchmont Street WC1N --- Marc Abonnes | Chamberlain House Phoenix Road NW1 --- Capital Investment Group Housing London Borough of Camden | Fitzrovia Children's Centre Whitfield Street W1 --- Monahan Blythen Architects | Inverness Street Camden NW1 --- Watkins Daily | Qube 90 Whitfield Street W1T 4EZ --- EPR Architects Limited | St Mary and St Pancras School 45-47 Polygon Road NW1 --- Shepherd Epstein Hunter | 'The York and Albion' 127-129 Parkway NW1 --- Arts Letters Techn |
| Bedford Square (off Bloomsbury Street) --- Engineering Service London Borough of Camden | 1a Children's Centre 1a Rosebury Avenue EC1R --- Curt la Tourelle Architects | Giniffo Restaurant Brunswick Centre WC1N --- Wills Mackereth | Kentish Town Library 262-6 Kentish Town Road NW5 2AA --- Libraries London Borough of Camden | 27a Reddington Road Hampstead NW5 --- Monahan Blythen Architects | The Brunswick Centre Marchmont Street WC1N --- Capital Investment Group Housing London Borough of Camden | Wash House Yard 79 Kentish Town Road NW1 --- A-EM Studio Ltd |
| British Library for Conservation (rear of British Library) 86 Euston Road NW1 2DB --- Long & Kentish Architects | Cycle Scheme Square at Cubitt Street and of Ampton Street WC1X --- Engineering Service London Borough of Camden | Habitat The C2 Centre Finchley Road NW3 5HP --- Antarchitecture | Kilburn Library 12-22 Kilburn High Road NW6 --- Alan Power Architects | Rollercoaster Play Centre 3 Cubitt Street WC1X --- Theories Landscapes | The Institute of Child Health 30 Guilford Street WC1N --- D.M.A. | |
| Canal Side Studios 8-14 St Pancras Way | | Hampstead School Westboro Road NW3 3RT | 27 Platts Lane | St Andrews House 149 Colville Hill | | |