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‘Magnificent beachfront home’ wins top HIA award

Described by judges as “simply in another class to every other entrant”, a Sunshine Beach house won the ultimate prize for JW Constructions (Qld) at the 2009 HIA-CSR Housing Awards in Brisbane tonight.

It was named HIA-CSR Queensland Home of the Year after a night of success for the Sunshine Coast-based company which also picked up the category of Queensland Custom Built Home of the Year.

The meticulously detailed home includes three master bedrooms on separate levels, wine cellar, tasting room, bar, multiple entertain areas, roof top pool with acrylic wet edge walls and more.

“This home is impeccable and sets the benchmark for others to achieve,” the judges said.

Elsewhere, last year’s Brisbane and Queensland Home of the Year winner, TAK Acquisitions, won the categories for Brisbane/Toowoomba Spec Home of the Year, Bathroom Project over \$20,000, Brisbane/Toowoomba Bathroom Project of the Year and Brisbane/Toowoomba Home of the Year. TAK Acquisitions also took out the 2009 HIA-CSR Australian Home of the Year Award at this year’s National Awards held in July.

The Queensland Awards, compered by Brisbane personality Leigh Muirhead, were presented in front of an enthusiastic audience at the Victoria Park Golf Club, Herston. Congratulating the winners HIA’s Queensland President, Simon Norris, said it was gratifying to see the uniformly high standard of the entries.

“These are difficult times for the home building industry and members could have been excused for having things on their minds other than entering awards, yet the quality on display tonight is as good, if not better, than anything we have seen in the past,” he said.

“I look forward to Brisbane entries being well represented at next year’s HIA National Awards.”

HIA is Australia’s peak building body representing more than 40,000 builders, suppliers and trade contractors. The industry is responsible for development projects, new homes, renovations and additions worth more than \$43 billion each year and generating about 350,000 jobs.

The Association’s awards acknowledge the excellence in housing construction, design, innovation and technology and recognise the talent of builders and building companies which plan and construct quality housing.

A full list of winners follows:

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2009 HIA-CSR HOUSING AWARDS WINNERS LIST

Category	Display Name	Winner
BRISBANE WINNERS		
Custom Built up to \$300,000		Kybro Constructions
Custom Built \$300,000 - \$500,000		Tropicool Homes (Qld)
Custom Built \$500,000 - \$750,000		Kaha Homes
Custom Built \$750,000 - \$1,000,000		Waratah Homes
Custom Built over \$1,000,000		Paradise Homes
CUSTOM BUILT HOME OF THE YEAR		Kaha Homes
Project Home of the Year		Alliance Homes
Display Home up to \$250,000	Byron	Arden Vale Homes
Display Home \$250,000 - \$400,000	The Ella	Adenbrook Homes
Display Home over \$400,000	The Hampton	Courage Homes
DISPLAY HOME OF THE YEAR	The Hampton	Courage Homes
Apartment Project of the Year		Jadecorp Properties
Renovation/Addition up to \$400,000		Walvin Constructions
Renovation/Addition over \$400,000		Craig McSwan Builder
RENOVATION/ADDITION OF THE YEAR		Craig McSwan Builder
Outdoor Project of the Year		Courage Homes
Spec Home of the Year		TAK Acquisitions
GreenSmart Energy Efficient Award		Sustainable
Host Trainer		Mirvac Housing (Qld)
Apprentice of the Year		Chris Lulan
Kitchen Project up to \$30,000		Danish Kitchens
Kitchen Project over \$30,000		Prestige Kitchens
KITCHEN PROJECT OF THE YEAR		Prestige Kitchens
Kitchen Designer of the Year		Maria Dracakis & Rowena Cornwell
Bathroom Designer of the Year		Randall Morrison & Corinne Chrzescijanski
Bathroom Project up to \$20,000		Arden Vale Homes
Bathroom Project over \$20,000		TAK Acquisitions
BATHROOM PROJECT OF THE YEAR		TAK Acquisitions
BRISBANE / TOOWOOMBA HOME OF THE YEAR		TAK Acquisitions
QUEENSLAND WINNERS		
Custom Built Home of the Year		JW Constructions (Qld)
Outdoor Project of the Year		Craig Cleary Constructions
Project Home of the Year		Grandview Homes
Display Home of the Year	The Latitude	Ryan Designer Homes
Special Purpose Housing project of the Year		Seachange Village
Renovation/Addition of the Year		Steve Maguire Homes
Apartment Project of the Year		Jadecorp Properties
Townhouse/Villa Development		Millennium Building Services
Greensmart Energy Efficiency Award		G&N Building Contractors
Residential Lifestyle Development of the Year		Schriek Building Group
Spec Home of the Year		TAK Acquisitions
Apprentice of the Year		Chris Lulan
Host Trainer of the Year		Mirvac Housing (Qld)
Kitchen Project of the Year		Calden Cabinets
Bathroom Designer of the Year		Eileen Middleton
Kitchen Designer of the Year		Maria Dracakis & Rowena Cornwell
Bathroom Project of the Year		TAK Acquisitions
Professional Small / Medium Builder		Ausmar Homes
Professional Major Builder		Ausbuid
QUEENSLAND HOME OF THE YEAR		JW Constructions (Qld)

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