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## GOOD THINGS TAKE TIME

Several years in the making, the Wanaka Community Hub opened its doors to over 65 community support organisations and agencies in the Upper Clutha area late last year.

Built on land gifted to the Wanaka Community House Charitable Trust by the Anglican Diocese, the building sits opposite the historic St Columba Church.

"The curving timber clad wall of the auditorium is a direct response to the client's desire to maintain a prescribed distance from the historic church," explains architect Barry Condon of Condon Scott Architects. "This shape, in turn, lends itself well to the form of the 150-seat auditorium – narrower at the stage end and wider towards the body."

The curved auditorium is offset with an opposing curve of splayed metal fins, which forms the entry to the building, allowing the main foyer to address the neighbouring church. In addition to the auditorium, the hub houses a reception area, offices and event spaces, as well as a bar and commercial kitchen.

The building's energy-efficient, sustainable design ensures running costs are kept low for its users. "The floor slab acts as a passive heat sink and is thermally broken from the external face of the building," explains Condon. "External louvres prevent overheating in the summer months, while thermal insulation has been maximised in the 140mm structural wall framing to ensure the spaces are warm and dry through the region's harsh winter."

Thermally broken, double-glazed joinery has been used throughout and photovoltaic panels were integrated into the roof design.

Since its opening, the hub has become a hive of local activity, with school programmes, arts society exhibitions, community yoga and various community groups filling its spaces from early morning to late evening.

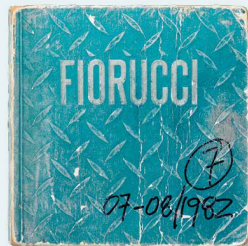
## PETE BOSSLEY, FORTY YEARS DRAWN

Objectspace

1 August – 11 October

This exhibition takes a close look at 200 sketchbooks and journals which, alongside Bossley's musings on the world, reflect his education on architecture as a young man. Expanding on the recently released book *One Year Drawn*, the images celebrate the infinite possibilities of drawing, painting and architecture.

[objectspace.org.nz](http://objectspace.org.nz)



## KEYSTONE TRUST STUDY AWARDS

Do you know a high school student interested in a career in architecture, urban planning, construction, engineering, property, surveying or quantity surveying? Applications are now open for a Keystone Trust Study Award, which includes a scholarship of \$5000 per annum for up to three years. Nine Keystone Partnership Scholarships are also available for those already studying at tertiary level in a property or construction-related course. Applications close on 14 August. [keystonetrust.org.nz](http://keystonetrust.org.nz)

## TOP AWARD FOR TAURANGA CAMPUS

NZIA Local Award-winning project, the University of Waikato Tauranga Campus, has also picked up a top education award for its innovative learning environment design.

The Jasmx-designed campus won the 'New Construction/Entire New Educational Facility' category at Learning Environments Australasia's 12th Annual Awards for Excellence in Educational Facilities, up against a shortlist of projects from New Zealand, Australia and Singapore.

The new campus – a building massed into two volumes, linking two streets with a pedestrian laneway – embeds bicultural design and storytelling throughout the project. The judges said the campus was a statement of the importance and opportunity for educational buildings to fully and comprehensively understand and engage with their cultural context. "It is a learning environment that engenders a deep sense of belonging that connects to the past while creating a catalyst for an inclusive future."

Jasmx CEO, Sjoerd Post, says the partnership between Jasmx, the University of Waikato and the team of cultural artists and advisors was integral throughout the project. "This partnership informed the conceptual and educational innovations for the project, delivering on the University's aspiration for an educational facility that speaks to local heritage and cultural identity, becoming a changemaker, and lifting the uptake of tertiary education for all of the community in the region."

The project also won the Supreme Excellence, Urban Design and Best Team awards at the 2019 Bay of Plenty Property Council Awards.



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## VIOLENT LEGALITIES

Te Pātaka Toi/

Adam Art Gallery

6 June – 16 August

This exhibition, initiated by academic Karamia Müller and Forensic Architecture's Lachlan Kermode, cartographically chronologises three separate, ongoing projects: each spatialising relationships between legislative activity and occurrences of violence to inspect enduring trends between settler-colonial law-making processes and state policies in Aotearoa/New Zealand. [adamartgallery.org.nz](http://adamartgallery.org.nz)

## WARREN TRUST AWARDS

Entries to the 2020 Warren Trust Awards for Architectural Writing close on 10 August 2020. Essays can be submitted in the Open and Secondary School Student categories, with prizes of \$2000 and \$1000 respectively. Three highly commended awards, each of \$500, will also be made. Winners will be announced in September and winning essays will be featured in a book published by Te Kāhui Whaihanga New Zealand Institute of Architects (NZIA).

[nzia.co.nz/awards/warren-trust-writing-awards](http://nzia.co.nz/awards/warren-trust-writing-awards)