# BVN shortlisted six times in national architecture awards

The Australian Institute of Architects National Architecture Awards shortlist that was announced on 14 September includes BVN projects nominated across six categories.

975 entries were received across the state and territory chapter awards programs, with 70 projects being selected by the national jury as nominees in these prestigious awards.

The BVN projects shortlisted include Synergy, CSIRO, Gold Coast Sports Precinct, Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre and the Australian Embassy Bangkok.

Synergy, CSIRO is shortlisted in both the Public and Sustainable Architecture categories after winning named awards in each category in the ACT Chapter Awards in June. Synergy is CSIRO’s newest research and workplace centre on Canberra’s Black Mountain research precinct that creates a place of Australian scientific research in a building that derives its expression from the surrounding Black Mountain forest.

Shortlisted across three categories including Urban Design, Interior Architecture and Steel Architecture is the Gold Coast Sports Precinct which includes the Gold Coast Sports and Leisure Centre (GCSLC). The GCSLC was one of the key venues for the 2018 Commonwealth Games and is now a valued legacy, continuing to accommodate community and major sporting events. According to the QLD Chapter jury, the Centre “withstood its greatest test during the Games and will continue to be an elite sporting facility of world class quality.”

The Australian Embassy Bangkok has been shortlisted in the International Architecture category of the awards after recently winning an Interior Architecture Award and the Horbury Hunt Think Brick Award. Located within the embassy quarter in central Bangkok, the Australian Embassy is seen as an emblematic new presence for Australia in Thailand.

The winners of the 2018 National Architecture Awards will be announced in Melbourne on 1 November. ENDS

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