

Retail, Design and Development Awards winners revealed

The South African Council of Shopping Centres (SACSC) announced the winners of the 2018 Retail, Design and Development Awards (RDDA) on the opening day of its Annual Congress, held at Durban's International Convention Centre this year.



Whale Coast Mall

The RDDA, sponsored by Nedbank CIB Property Finance, is held annually to recognise shopping centres and retailers that display a seamless harmony of design excellence, innovation and environmental consciousness. This includes in-store design, centre redevelopments, expansions of existing shopping centres and development of new centres.

Amanda Stops, chief executive officer for the SACSC, said that shopping centres and retailers have become more dynamic over recent years. “Judging the awards have become progressively more difficult as we see even more innovation over the years and this year was no exception. Our country remains world-class in terms of the types of centres and stores that have been designed and produced. I would like to congratulate all the entrants in this year’s RDDAs.”

Whale Coast Mall scoops Spectrum Award

Whale Coast Mall stood out from the rest and was named the winner of the coveted Spectrum Award, which rewards innovation, outstanding economic and creative achievements. This award is selected from all the Retail Design and Development Award category winners.

RDDA Category Winners

Category A: New Developments

Winner: Whale Coast Mall

Architect: Bentel Associates International/JLD

Developer: Dorpstraat (Pty) Ltd

Category B: Renovation/Expansion

Winner: Boat Shed

Architect: Leon Saven Design

Developer: V&A Waterfront

Category C: Retail Design – Store

Winner: Relay Denim Bar Braamfontein

Designer: Design Partnership

Owner: TFG

Category C: Retail Design - Restaurant

Winner: Nando's Horizonview

Designer: Design Partnership

Owner: Nando's Group Holdings (Pty) Ltd

Andrew Ogg, SACSC RDDA chairman, said that he was impressed by the entries this year. "On behalf of the jury I would like to congratulate this year's winners and we were all again impressed at the breadth and quality of the entries. The jury was delighted to note that all this year's winners were in small and medium-sized locations underlining that exemplary design is not exclusive to larger regional locations with higher budgets."

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