



Micheal Fountain outside Pittwater's best new residential home, as judged by a committee last week

Architecture applauded

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PITTWATER'S best and brightest design aficionados were recognised at the council's Civic Design Awards this week.

A panel of three councillors – Bob Dunbar, Lynne Czinner and Stuart Burley – and industry experts Paul Pholeros and Peter Stutchbury presented the awards.

The winner of the best new residential home was architect

Micheal Fountain and builder F. S. Hough for a home in Bayview. Mr Fountain said part of the criteria was to reflect the character of Pittwater.

“The judges thought the beach house style really captured Pittwater,” he said.

“It reflected those very early Palm Beach beach houses.”

Judging the awards for the second time, Cr Bob Dunbar said the standard was again very high.

“I have been a builder for 40 years and it never ceases to

amaze me the quality of the work that is being done,” he said.

“We really are getting some quality work which is what we are striving for.

“And much of the work is in keeping with the character of the actual area.”

The best renovated house was in Whale Beach Rd, Whale Beach, designed by Douglas McKay and Associates and built by Brett Wolinski Building.

The winner of the residential environmental award was a house

in Richard Rd, Scotland Island. The architects were Steph Crosby and Associates and it was built by Sideshore Building.

G. Brothers, Mona Vale, designed by Bianchino and Associates, won the award for best commercial premises.

Certificates of merit were awarded to a Haywood Ave Bakker-designed home in Avalon and another Douglas McKay and Associates building in Palm Beach.