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Harbour Trust wins Architecture Award

The Sydney Harbour Federation Trust has been awarded a Special Jury Award by the Royal Australian Institute of Architects (NSW) for 'Exemplary Management of Sydney Harbour Heritage Icons.'

At its annual awards evening on Saturday 17 July 2004, the Institute recognised 'from the outset, the Trust [has] gone about their work in an exemplary way, articulating a clear vision and setting in place a process to realise it'.

Geoff Bailey, the Harbour Trust's Executive Director said the Special Jury Award was an unexpected but highly welcome surprise.

'The Trust hadn't sought an award so this recognition of the work we are undertaking is confirmation of the high standards we have maintained throughout the planning and implementation process to date,' Mr Bailey said.

'The award also recognises our educative role in interpreting these sites and exploring ways of protecting and managing them. It also commends the Harbour Trust for the extensive community consultation that has guided the development of our management plans.'

The award citation stated: 'In seeking appropriate outcomes for the land the Trust took planning back to its origins, inspired by the land's unique characteristics and a desire to be of most benefit to all Australians. Its work has been dictated by a deep respect for the history and context of its sites, allowing a gradual evolution of solutions and providing a framework for decision making that includes extensive community consultation.'

Information on the Harbour Trusts sites and the work being undertaken can be found on the website: www.harbourtrust.gov.au.

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