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From the Chair

Dear members

As 2018 draws to a close it's an opportunity to reflect on a very active year for the WA Chapter and look forward to an exciting 2019.

We have had a full year with 6 well supported site visits, the Notre Dame University workshop and a lecture from Wes Imms organised in association with Curtin University. Our chapter launched two publications; the "Post-Boom" research paper; wrapping up the 2016 / 2017 symposium and lecture series; and the second compendium of recently completed WA projects "Thinking About Learning". We have also had our inaugural Chapter Awards programme which provided a further opportunity to showcase the excellent work being produced here in WA. Well done to all involved in driving these projects – it's a huge amount of work and everyone is working on a voluntary basis which is much appreciated.

At our recent AGM we were very pleased to add some new members to our Board; a big welcome to Chloe Summers, Andrew Thomas, Scott Duncan and Alex Raynes-Goldie. It was also time to say a big thank you to retiring Board member Ros Marsland for her many years of service including a term as Chair. The leadership and strategic focus that Ros provided will be much missed as will her infectious sense of humour!

Speaking of goodbyes; our past chair Dani Martin has recently moved to Brisbane to take up a new opportunity in the sunshine state. Dani has been a tireless advocate for LEA for many years and has given a particular focus to mentoring young educators and architects via the Mayfield Project which she has championed on the national stage. Her dedication to our cause leaves LEA in Western Australia in a very strong position. On behalf of the WA Chapter we wish Dani all the best but - of course – we will stay in touch in the lead up to the conference and beyond!

So; our executive board members for 2019 are:

- Chair: Eamon Broderick
- Past Chair: Dani Martin (from long distance!)
- Chair Elect: Leon Slattery
- Secretary: Leon Slattery
- Treasurer: Michael Smith

We also have a number of hard working committees to target our efforts:

- Events Chair: Eamon Broderick
- Communications Chair: Michelle Chew
- Membership Chair: Stuart Neal
- Advocacy and Sponsorship Chair: Paul Rossen
- 2019 Regional Conference Chairs: Eamon Broderick, Paul Edwards and Dani Martin
- Chapter Awards Chair: Lara Mackintosh

If you would like to assist on any of the committees we would be more than happy to see you. And if you colleagues who you think might benefit from involvement in our group, please encourage them to come forward. Please email me at ebroderick@trcb.com.au if you would like to learn more.

Looking forward; we have been busy planning the Regional Conference which will be held in Perth from 28th – 31st of May 2019. An excellent line up of international and local presenters have been selected to investigate our theme of "Transformance: Transforming The Learning Landscape". Please take the time to have a look at the conference programme at <http://transformance.a4le.org.au/> and let your colleagues know about the conference.

We will be in touch again in the New Year to let you know about our Chapter events for 2019; I hope you can join us. Lastly; I wish you all a safe and festive Christmas break with your families and friends.

Thank you, and kind regards

Eamon Broderick
WA Chapter Chair

RECENT LE WA EVENTS

The sixth site visit for the year took place at the award winning New Teaching Spaces at Highgate Primary, which included the provision of new contemporary learning spaces within an existing heritage inner city school. Read more about it below.



The new Learning Environments Australasia WA Chapter Compendium publication was launched at the End of Year Event in December this year. This book features 15 exceptional educational works completed in Western Australia within the last three years. Click the image below for information on how to purchase yourself a copy.



Congratulations to all the winners of the Learning Environments Australasia (LEA) Western Australian Awards program. Click on the image below to view all the award winners and read the jury citations.



REGIONAL NEWS

Perth will be hosting the 2019 Regional Learning Environment Australasia conference from 28 to 31 May 2019 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. Click on the image below to view the conference programme. We can't wait to see you there!



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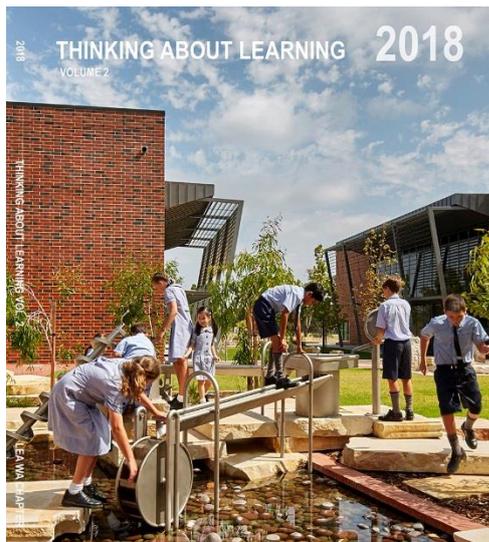
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