

Lawrence Prize contenders announced

RIBA Regional Award-winners feature heavily on the shortlist for the £5,000 Stephen Lawrence Prize, writes *Richard Waite*

A day centre for the homeless, three houses and a boutique hotel extension have been shortlisted for this year's Stephen Lawrence Prize which honours schemes with a budget of less than £1 million. The RIBA special prize

was set up in memory of the teenager, an aspiring architect, who was murdered in 1993. Apart from Duggan Morris' Kings Grove house in London, all the finalists were chosen from RIBA Regional Award winners. Featherstone Young has

been shortlisted for the second time in a row, this time for its Dellow Day Centre in London. Sponsored by the Marco Goldschmied Foundation, the winner of the £5,000 prize will be announced at the RIBA Stirling Prize dinner on 13

October in Manchester. The judges are last year's winning architect Phil Coffey from Coffey Architects, along with Marco Goldschmied and Stephen Lawrence's mother, Doreen. TheAJ.co.uk/stephenlawrence

CLIENT OF THE YEAR

The Olympic Delivery Authority is, unsurprisingly, on the shortlist for the 2012 RIBA Client of the Year award. Alain de Botton's Living Architecture is also one of the five finalists vying for the



DAVID FISHER

HILL TOP HOUSE, OXFORD
Adrian James Architects The architects describe this 180m² four-level scheme as 'an essay in concrete for clients who relish the uncompromising ascetic quality of the material'



TIM BROTHERTON

DELLOW DAY CENTRE, EAST LONDON
Featherstone Young Inserted into a narrow gap between buildings in Whitechapel, the 366m² scheme houses workshop, studio, storage and office facilities for homeless charity Providence Row



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THE MARQUIS HOTEL & RESTAURANT, ALKHAM, DOVER
Guy Hollaway Architects Described as 'a fine example of good architecture engendering business success', the 235m² hotel extension to a Grade II restaurant uses reclaimed flint and Kent Peg Tiles



TIMOTHY SOAR

HILL HOUSE, KENT
Hampson Williams Architects This 335m² mainly timber home features a retaining wall made from recycled excavation material, a 'beautifully crafted' plywood interior and an 'ambitious' in-situ welded steel stair



EDMUND SUMNER

KINGS GROVE, LONDON
Duggan Morris Architects Designed by the architects for themselves, this £320,000 scheme in a tight, landlocked site was praised for its 'highly disciplined attention to detail in the design' and for 'the immaculate quality of the construction'



CHARLES HOSEA

award, supported by the Bloxham Charitable Trust. As well as considering clients behind this year's RIBA Award-winning schemes, the judges also take into account their track record of successful commissioning, 'particularly where this has led to earlier RIBA Awards'.

- The 2012 shortlist is:
- Living Architecture for Balancing Barn, Shingle House and Dune House
 - Manhattan Lofts – St Pancras Chambers
 - Olympic Delivery Authority – Olympic Stadium, Velodrome, Primary Substation
 - Argent – Phase 1 Granary Complex, King's Cross
 - Wakefield Council for Castleford Project, Sandal Magna School and Hepworth Wakefield

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