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### **BARANGAROO SOUTH JUDGING PANEL BOWLED OVER BY EMERGING ARCHITECTURAL**

A unique design resembling stacked bamboo bowls has won a competition for emerging architectural firms to create an exceptional restaurant and bar building on the waterfront promenade at Barangaroo South.

Lend Lease's Barangaroo South Managing Director Andrew Wilson announced today that Surry Hills-based firm Collins and Turner has been selected to design the low rise harbourside building. Visually striking bamboo cladding, a spectacular rooftop terrace and extensive outdoor dining are among the key features.

"Our commitment to design excellence includes not only working with internationally renowned architectural practices but also identifying and supporting emerging local firms," Mr Wilson said.

"Collins and Turner submitted an exciting, stylish concept that makes a strong visual statement and confidently holds its own among the other world-class designs at Barangaroo. We were also impressed that Collins and Turner ensured the restaurant and bar customers will be able to thoroughly enjoy the vibrancy and the views of the Sydney Harbour waterfront."

A judging panel comprising Lend Lease team members, a Barangaroo Delivery Authority representative and Ivan Harbour from Barangaroo South master planners Rogers Stirk Harbour and Partners praised Collins and Turner for its "artistic design" and "well-researched, well organised and flexible approach".

Prior to establishing their practice in 2002, Penny Collins and Huw Turner each worked internationally. Commenting on the firm's win, Mr Turner said: "We are thrilled to now be part of such a transformational project as Barangaroo South."

The judges also commended Darlinghurst firm Scale Architecture for its "delightful proposal" involving two connected timber table forms which create a floating rectilinear space. Because of the quality of the Scale proposal, the panel recommended that the firm and its director Matt Chan be offered an opportunity to work on public realm elements at Barangaroo.

For the two-month long design competition, a range of NSW firms were nominated by Lend Lease, the Barangaroo Delivery Authority and the City of Sydney. From this list, 15 emerging architectural firms were invited to submit Expressions of Interest, and then a shortlist of six firms was selected to take part in the competition. The six companies were Collins and Turner, Draw, Lacoste + Stevenson, LAVA, Scale Architecture and Silvester Fuller.

The emerging architectural firms' design competition was undertaken in accordance with Lend Lease's Design Excellence Strategy for Barangaroo South. The design of the building will be submitted to the Barangaroo Delivery Authority for approval under the Development Agreement prior to being submitted to the NSW Department of Planning as part of the statutory planning process.

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