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NSW homes recognised at national sustainable housing awards

NSW companies **Steele Associates** and **Aztek Constructions** took home three awards from today's announcement of the prestigious **2019 Housing Industry Association (HIA) Australian GreenSmart Awards**.

HIA GreenSmart Awards recognise the best in sustainable housing. Award winners make a positive difference to the environment by building energy efficient and comfortable homes.

Oliver Steele of **Steele Associates** won **HIA Australian GreenSmart Professional** for incorporating the best building practices and systems to deliver sustainable housing options. This category is partnered by HIA Insurance Services.

Steele Associates also won **HIA Australian GreenSmart Multi Dwelling Development**, partnered by RapidRidge, for bringing together refined urban living and sustainable design with their *passivhaus* apartments, The Fern.

Aztek Constructions won **HIA Australian GreenSmart Energy Efficiency**, partnered by Solahart, for a solar passive home which optimises northern glazing, clever zoning, extensive insulation and cross ventilation to ensure its homeowners enjoy the advantage of near zero energy costs.

The **2019 HIA Australian GreenSmart Home** – the highest accolade presented at the 2019 HIA Australian GreenSmart Awards – was won by **Beaumont Concepts** from Victoria for a net energy positive home; made possible by a 6kW solar PV system and battery energy storage. A 10,000-litre rainwater tank, low-VOC paints and locally-sourced materials round out the sustainable features of the stylish build. The home also won HIA Australian GreenSmart Sustainable Home, partnered by JH Envirtech.

In congratulating the winners, HIA Managing Director Graham Wolfe said HIA Australian GreenSmart Awards represent the latest in environmental design and building practices.

"HIA Australian GreenSmart Award winners and finalists are leading the way in sustainable building practices, including site management and energy saving techniques, to build comfortable homes for their clients," Mr Wolfe said.

"The awards recognise HIA members who build and design greener and more liveable homes."

The HIA GreenSmart program began 20 years ago and is a voluntary initiative available to HIA members. Award winners were announced today on greensmart.com.au/awards

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2019 HIA Australian GreenSmart Award Winners

Category	Winner
HIA Australian GreenSmart Home	Beaumont Concepts Victoria
HIA Australian GreenSmart Custom Built Home Partnered by B&D Doors and Access Systems	Nulook Homes and Solar Dwellings Western Australia
HIA Australian GreenSmart Display/Project Home Partnered by InfraBuild	SJD Homes Victoria
HIA Australian GreenSmart Multi Dwelling Development Partnered by RapidRidge	Steele Associates NSW
HIA Australian GreenSmart Renovation / Addition Project Partnered by CSR	La Perouse Homes Northern Territory
HIA Australian GreenSmart Sustainable Home Partnered by JH Envirtech	Beaumont Concepts Victoria
HIA Australian GreenSmart Energy Efficiency Partnered by Solahart	Aztek Constructions NSW
HIA Australian GreenSmart Professional Partnered by HIA Insurance Services	Oliver Steele Steele Associates NSW
HIA Australian GreenSmart Product Partnered by Brighter	Ecoduct for Ecoduct Low Profile Duct System Victoria