

OUR JUDGES



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KBDi President Rex Hirst, presents certificates of appreciation to judges Michelle Burton and Mal Corboy (Owen Barnes absent).

KBDi DESIGN2012 AUSTRALIAN KITCHEN & BATHROOM DESIGNER AWARDS

Owen Barnes CKD (AU), CBD (AU) is Design Director at Bubbles Bathrooms, Melbourne, and a Registered Building Practitioner. Owen's expertise has been recognised with more than 30 Housing Industry Awards for his innovative bathrooms. As well as his design credentials, Owen's reputation is built on exceptional client service, attention to detail and project management experience.

Owen's recent awards include:

- KBDi Best Large Bathroom Designer (2011, VIC)
- KBDi Best Bathroom Designer of the Year (2010, VIC)
- KBDi Best Small Bathroom Designer (2010, VIC)
- KBDi National Certified Designer of the year (2010, VIC)

Originally from Louisiana, USA, **Michelle Burton CKD (AU)** of SMB Interior Design holds an Advanced Diploma of Arts, Interior Design. Over the past 14 years, Michelle has continued to develop her passion for functional space manipulation and interior design, specialising in kitchen and bathroom design. 'Changing space to create a place' is SMB's company motto.

Continual professional development ensures Michelle is current with the latest trends. Last year she was awarded the prestigious KBDi Australian Bathroom Designer of the Year and subsequently joined the KBDi Designers International Tour to Eurocucina, Milan. Michelle is passionate about design and loves being an interior designer.

For more than 19 years, **Mal Corboy CKD (AU)** of Mal Corboy Design has been designing not only award winning kitchens, but also bathrooms, laundries, furniture and full interior design for markets here and overseas. Since 2002, Mal has won 26 awards, the most recent being KBDi Australian Certified Designer of the year (2011).

Mal was the first Australasian Designer to be invited to be one of five International Panel Members (Judges) for the 2011 International Student Design Awards (the world's largest Student Design Awards) held in Germany. His kitchen projects have been featured on the covers of Kitchen Trends magazines in Australia, New Zealand and the USA and he writes regularly for magazines and features on radio and television—he is currently the Design Editor for Choice TV. Mal is currently Hettich's Brand Ambassador.