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## NEWS

### Corobrik SAIA Awards of Merit and for Excellence

At a gala evening held at the Johannesburg City Hall on Wednesday, 22nd September, **East Coast Architects** were awarded a **Corobrik South African Institute of Architects' (SAIA) Award of Merit** for their **Seven Fountains Primary School** at Shayamoya, Kokstad, a project which went on to win one of only four **Corobrik SAIA Awards for Excellence**. In the view of the jury, the school represented an "outstanding example of a new, inclusive and successful form of architectural expression". This is the second time East Coast Architects have collected the highest honour the Institute can bestow for buildings, their first being for their **Africa Centre** at **Sonkhele**, in 2004.

Readers are referred to *KZ-NIA Journal* 2/2006 and 2/2004 respectively.



From left: Corobrik Chairman, Peter du Trevou, Steve Kinsler and Derek van Heerden of East Coast Architects and SAIA President Al Stratford.



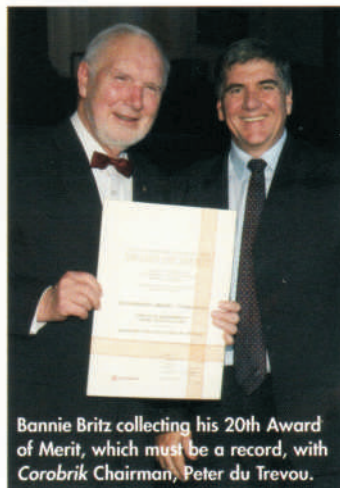
Seven Fountains Primary School.  
 Photo: Angela Buckland

The other recipients of Awards for Excellence were made to **Stefan Antoni Olmesdahl Truen Architects** for their office building, **Hatfield 109**, in Cape Town, and **Typology Architects**



Ora Joubert.

(Henry Pretorius) for the **Taxi Terminus** on the Main campus of the University of the Free State in Bloemfontein, the first Excellence award for a building in that Province. Uniquely and by exception the fourth went to the book edited by **Ora Joubert** *10+Years 100+ Buildings. Architecture in a Democratic South Africa*.



Bannie Britz collecting his 20th Award of Merit, which must be a record, with Corobrik Chairman, Peter du Trevou.



Roger Fisher.

Photography of the gala evening: Erik Forster.

Awards of Merit went to **Smale & Partners** for the **Tricircle Pavilion** at **Gqunube Green Ecovillage**, East London; **Noero Wolff Architects** with **Ilze Wolff** for **House Wolff** at **Observatory**, Cape Town; **Matrix cc** for the conservation of **Caledonia Lodge** of 1899 as their studio at 22 **Landsdowne Place**, **Richmond Hill**, **Port Elizabeth**; **Bannie Britz** for **Seloshesha Library** at **Thaba Nchu**; **Kate Otten** for shops at **Parkhurst**, **Johannesburg**; **Mashabane Rose** for **Liliesleaf Legacy Project**, **Rivonia**; **Enrico Daffonchio & Rashma**

**Patel** for **Energy Works** office block in **East Parkwood**, **Johannesburg**; and **Earthworld Architects** for **Centenary Building**, **University of Pretoria**.

### SAIA Personal Awards

On the same evening, the SAIA Honorary Fellowship Award was conferred upon **UIA Past-President Vassilis Sgoutas**, the **Writers and Critics Award** on **Roger Fisher**, while **Gold**



Past-SAIA President Trish Emmett and Vassilis Sgoutas.

"inspiration to numerous architects and students of Architecture in South Africa and abroad".

Medals for Architecture went to both **Peter Rich** and **Natal graduate** and **UCT-Professor Jo Noero**. **Gold** was awarded to **Rich** for "awareness that, through him, has been created on the world stage" and to **Noero** for being an



Peter Rich, SAIA President Al Stratford and Jo Noero.

### SAIA Certificate for Meritorious Service

At the **National Convention of SAIA** held in **Johannesburg** on 24th September, **KZ-NIA Member Bruce Clark** was honoured *in absentia* with a **Certificate for Meritorious Service** for his "personal initiative, selfless dedication and commitment" in updating and extending the **SAIA Practice Manual** and for releasing it in electronic format.