

## **Bridget Puszka**

## **Registered Architect**

Melbourne, Australia

Qualifications

MSc:Architecture – Advanced Environmental and Energy Studies (University of East London) B. Arch (Melbourne University) Registered Architect, Victoria Certified Passive House Designer/Consultant Accredited First Rate House Energy Rater Section J Training (RMIT) Green Plumbing (PICAC)

**Experience** Since establishing BP Architects in 2000, I have been designing healthy sustainable homes.

After completing a MSc:Architecture in London, I worked in New Delhi India for 1 year. My work in India involved designing restaurants and homes. Working as an architect in India allowed me to make the most of natural materials and skilled tradesmen.

Additional international experience includes working on condominiums and large scale resort and entertainment developments in Malaysia and Indonesia. In Stuttgart, Germany I worked as an architect on cultural buildings for a major English Architectural company Stirling Wilford. In the UK and France my experience included designing stone window details and working on 16<sup>th</sup> century stone mountain hamlets.

Prior to working overseas I worked in Australia for large commercial architectural companies. This included working for Denton Corker Marshall Pty. Ltd. (DCM) in Melbourne and Devine Erby Mazlin Pty. Ltd. (DEM) in Sydney. The projects I worked on were large scale projects including high rise office buildings, retirement homes and 150 hectare hotel and recreational developments.

- Main areas of expertiseSustainable design, passive solar design, Energy Building Efficient Design<br/>and designing buildings for good indoor air quality. Cost effective design<br/>solutions for home renovations.
  - **Personal interests** Bushwalking and mountaineering. Healthy living.

**Voluntary Work** Committee member for City of Port Phillip Sustainable Environmental Community Committees. Victorian Rogain Association.

My StoryWorking in my own business www.bparchitects.com.auprovided theopportunity to design energy efficient and sustainable homes. As aprofessional architect I considered it as the only way forward in our worldof global warming and green house gas emissions.

BP Architects was established to design healthy sustainable homes. For a number of years I designed the Sustainable Home exhibit at the HIA Home

Show winning the Best At Show Award. The exhibit provided information to the general public on Sustainable Homes.

Having initially trained as a Registered nurse, and working at the Royal Melbourne Hospital, healthy living and healthy homes is of personal interest. Sick building syndrome is real and avoidable if you build a home from materials that do not give off chemicals into the indoor air. My Masters in Science: Architecture AEES thesis in the UK was on 'Chemical Emissions from Building Products – Is it a Problem?'

Awards My architectural business has been recognized by winning Excellence in Business Awards.

The sustainable homes I have designed have been recognized nationally winning Awards including the National MBA Environment Energy Building Efficiency Award and the Silver Medal at the Green Buildings Awards NSW.

For the full list of Awards <u>https://www.bparchitects.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/bp\_architects\_awards.pdf</u>

- Client testimonials <u>https://www.bparchitects.com.au/testimonials/</u>
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