

# 2008 Brisbane Award

PRESENTED BY  FKP

Steve Wilson has made an enormous contribution to urban design in Brisbane through his work at South Bank as chair of the South Bank Corporation.

His continuing involvement with South Bank serves to remind us that successful projects such as these are not possible without strong and decisive leadership. It took initiative and courage to abandon the previous master plan and to rethink South Bank. Steve and his Board persuaded the Government to start again. Steve has always championed good design and has ensured that South Bank has been well advised by the architectural and urban design professions. The result speaks for itself. South Bank has evolved to become a dynamic mixed use urban precinct and one of Australia's great public places. Through his leadership, Steve has achieved an urban focus for South Bank that sets a standard for River cities in Australia and around the world.

Steve's leadership of the South Bank Corporation has had a lasting influence on the city of Brisbane. He has also been instrumental with other significant public projects including the highly successful Goodwill Bridge, preservation of Queensland's Maritime Museum, the completion of St John's Cathedral – the last gothic style cathedral in the world to be completed – and the activation of Brisbane River.

Steve is a tireless and persuasive advocate of strong urban design and community development practices in Brisbane city.

Steve Wilson's selection for the *Brisbane Award* reflects his extraordinary contribution to Brisbane's urban fabric and economic and social well-being.

Steve Wilson is a deserved winner of the *2008 Brisbane Award presented by FKP Property Group*.



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