

## Announcing Australia's 3<sup>rd</sup> Asia Pacific Architecture Forum in Brisbane, March 2018.

An initiative of State Library of Queensland and Architecture Media, the 2018 Asia Pacific Architecture Forum will return to Brisbane from 10 to 23 March, 2018.

The program will feature a range of free and ticketed events, including exhibitions, installations, symposia, lectures and workshops, which will engage architecture and design professionals, educators, enthusiasts, children and young people.

The Architecture Symposium (formerly the ArchitectureAP Symposium), a one-day, headline event on Friday 16 March, will once again be held at State Library of Queensland. Influential architects from throughout the region will gather in South Bank's Cultural Precinct to be inspired by keynote speakers from Japan, Korea, China, Thailand, New Zealand and Australia.

State Librarian and CEO, Vicki McDonald said the two-week program will showcase architecture's pivotal role in the culture, sustainability, and economy of the Asia Pacific region.

"State Library of Queensland, through the Asia Pacific Design Library, is pleased to continue our partnership with Architecture Media to deliver this vibrant program of exhibitions and events, which shines the spotlight on the importance of architecture in our region.

"We are delighted that the Forum has become a vehicle for attracting high calibre international architects and designers to State Library. We are excited to again host this world-class event and facilitate the critical discussions occurring in contemporary architecture," Ms McDonald said.

Architecture Media's Editorial Director Cameron Bruhn observes that the global market for built environment expertise is creating new opportunities for Australian architects, designers and planners.

"Australian practitioners have been living and working internationally since the 1960s and an increasing number of practices are active participants in the globalised market for professional services. The Asia Pacific Architecture Forum celebrates the best work of Australian architects, designers and planners and the economic success of the nation's professional services exports," Mr Bruhn said.

Highlights of the 2018 Forum include: The Architecture Symposium 2018, a conference featuring internationally renowned speakers; a Design Minds workshop; a free Little Designers architecture workshop; a QAGOMA tour; the UQ Architecture lecture series, featuring leading local, national and international architects; a Brisbane Open House tour and many more.

The full program of events will be announced in the coming months. Visit [aparchitectureforum.com](http://aparchitectureforum.com) for more information.

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