University of Melbourne Arts West Redevelopment

The $66 million Arts West Redevelopment Project is the Faculty of Arts' most significant infrastructure project in recent years and enables the creation of new and dynamic teaching and learning spaces for staff and students.

Architectural team ARM & Architectus have designed Arts West as the new home of the Bachelor of Arts, giving undergraduate students access to world-class spaces, and equipping academic staff with a new purpose-built teaching and research environment.

The existing 1960's Arts West building reached the end of its useful life and has been redeveloped to give the Faculty of Arts a new physical identity on the campus.

The redevelopment has created:
- Signature learning hub and focus
- Collocation of RHD staff & students + collections
- Expand quality and type of teaching spaces
- Sense of community and improved amenity
- Building & services efficiency, sustainability 5 Star Green Star

Works consisted of the construction of a new building over the previous 1960's building, construction of an atrium over the professors court, light refurbishment of the 1990's building (Levels 4, 5 & 6) and landscaping.

The site is located in the heart of the University campus, surrounded by pedestrians and occupied buildings, several of which have heritage significance.

Kane has a long history at The University of Melbourne having completed over 25 projects since the 1980's. The Ernie Cropley Pavilion completed in 2014 won a Master Builders of Victoria Excellence in Commercial Construction Award.

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Client
University of Melbourne

Consultants
Aurecon
Architectus
ARM Architecture
Slattery Australia

Location
Victoria

Value
$66M

Awards
2018 Intergalva Global Galvanizing Award
2017 Master Builders Association of Victoria Master Builder of the Year
2017 Master Builders Association of Victoria Excellence in Construction of Commercial Buildings $30M - $80M
2017 Australian Institute of Building, Victorian Chapter Professional Excellence Commercial Construction $25M - $100M
2017 International Design Academy Golden A Design Award - Interior Space and Exhibition Design Category
2017 Association for Learning Environments Excellence in Education Facilities