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UIA ARCHITECTURE & CHILDREN GOLDEN CUBES AWARDS 2014

The UIA Architecture and Children Work Programme announces the results of the UIA Architecture & Children Golden Cubes Awards 2014.

The *UIA Architecture & Children Golden Cubes Awards* were founded to honour people and organizations that help children and young people to understand architecture. Entrants made submissions describing activities or products designed to teach children and young people, from pre-school up to the age of 18, to understand architectural design and the processes by which our environment is formed.

Following a national selection process, **18 countries** submitted their nominations in the four categories - **Schools, Institutions, Written and Audio-Visual Media** – to an International Jury.

The International Jury met on April 9 2014 to evaluate the nominated entries and selected one in each category for an Award. The jury also selected two additional entries for Special Mention.

The Jury was encouraged and impressed by the range of projects presented and the work done by individuals and by organisations of all sizes. Many works with limited resources to develop young people's awareness of architecture so that, as adult citizens, they will be able to make their voices heard and influence the political, economic and social strategies which will shape their cities and their environment.

Members of the International Jury 2014:

- Vassilis SGOUTAS (Chairman of the jury), architect, UIA past president, has his private office in Athens.
- Marie KRAFT, education specialist in architecture & performing arts, works in international cultural operations at the Swedish institute.
- Georges NIVOIX, audio-visual media specialist, works for French network of pedagogical resource centers CANOPE.
- Carolina PIZARRO, architect, museographer, set designer and producer of Cultural Activities in Costa Rica, member of UIA A&Ch WP.
- Hannes HUBRICH, architect BDA, teaching at Bauhaus-University Weimar, member of UIA A&Ch WP, research work and professional practice in Housing.
- **Ewa STRUZYNSKA**, architect & painter, private practice in Paris, director of the International Union of Architects (UIA) Work Programme "Architecture & children".

The International Jury was particularly pleased with the large number of high standard entries. A winner in each category was carefully selected among 46 best projects chosen by national juries in 18 countries.

The winners of the UIA Architecture & Children Golden Cubes 2014 are:

Schools category:

Project N°14. Centro Educativo Rural Champitas - Chigorodo - Antiquia for "La Casa". Colombia

Jury's evaluation: "It's a rural community project, close to the people, sensitive to social and environmental concerns and makes optimum use of local resources and materials."

Institutions category:

Project N°36. Architecture and children Network of Sendaï for "Children cheer Sendai's earthquake recovery". Japan

Jury's evaluation: "The project involves children in real life restoration projects in areas stricken by natural disasters."

Written Media category:

Project N°21. Cinqpoints - Laurence Calafat for "Iconic architecture card game". France

Jury's evaluation: "Simple, aesthetically pleasing and user-friendly card games, a playful way to communicate architecture to family and friends."

Audio-visual media category:

Project N°24. The Swedish Centre for architecture for the project «Home". Sweden

Jury's evaluation: "Space and movement in an original vision of architecture through a fusion of many arts".



The jury also chose to highlight two projects for their special qualities: **Special mentions** are given to:

Institutions Category:

Project N°9. Children Architectural workshop from Sofia for "Architecture & children". Bulgaria

Jury's evaluation: "It is an interdisciplinary project which is conducted by a non-profit organization and explores many aspects of architecture."

Audio-visual media category:

Project N°8. Library of cinematography named after Sergei Eisenstein for "Piet Mondrian's city". Russia Jury's evaluation: "The project links architecture with art in a particularly innovative way.

The Awards and special mentions will be formally presented 6th of August 2014 at the Official UIA Award Ceremony in Durban during the 25th UIA Congress of Architecture www.uia2014durban.org/

International Award Winners, Special Mentions and all of the 46 National Nominations projects will be on UIA WP Architecture & Children Exhibition Stand N°33 at the UIA Congress in August 2014 in Durban, South Africa, where we all hope to welcome you.

UIA WP Architecture & Children also invites you at our Conference/Forum "Communicating architecture to children" which will take place during the Congress in Durban, Tuesday 5th of August 2014 from 11am to 1pm , room 22ABC.