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UCT architecture professor wins gold

Professor Jo Noero of the School of Architecture, Planning and Geomatics at the University of Cape Town has won the South African Institute of Architects (SAIA) Gold Medal for Architecture for his outstanding contribution to the field.

It is commonly believed among architectural circles that architects who channel their efforts towards benefiting the less privileged in society do so at the expense of design; however, Noero's designs are proving otherwise. This award, conferred by SAIA, recognises architects who have been able to bridge this perceived gap to create masterful works.

Professor Noero's work has won him national and international acclaim for his vision and deep engagement with the communities where he works.

Noero is a partner at Noero Wolff Architects. The firm's work has been displayed at five of the world's most prestigious architecture exhibitions: the Shanghai World Expo; the Venice Biennale in the exhibition titled People Meet Architecture; the Turkish Chamber of Architects Biennial Congress in Istanbul; the World Architectural Festival in Barcelona; and the Museum Of Modern Art in New York, in the exhibition titled Small Scale, Big Change. Over the years Noero Wolff Architects has received eight international awards and more than 26 local and national awards for architecture.

Noero is also an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects and was made an International Fellow in 2006.

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