EMERGING DESIGNER

CHRISTOPHER POLLY ARCHITECT

Practice description Christopher Polly Architect is a sole practice established in 2003 that has completed both residential and commercial projects. Through the detailed examination of client needs and the historical, cultural and physical conditions of often complex sites, the practice is concerned with providing innovative and refined outcomes that resonate simplicity, conceptual rigour and material invention. Christopher Polly Architect is committed to developing unique architectural situations that respond to sustainability, constructability and patterns of use.

KEITH MELBOURNE

Practice description Strong three-dimensional awareness and visualisation skills, along with an innate sense of materials, their properties and how to apply, shape and join them are the skills that define Keith Melbourne as a designer. Having trained as an engineer and spending 14 years in the international automotive industry, Melbourne discovered design and realised there was no going back. His award-winning designs include the DNA Coffee Table and the Twilight desk lamp. He has also released a range of products with the prestigious Woodmark International Furniture Company.

FRINGE ARCHITECTS

Practice description Fringe Architects was established as a sole trader architectural entity in 2004 and was incorporated in 2008. Principal Andrew Hagemann has worked for many of Perth's larger scale practices, winning numerous state design awards. Perth was in short supply of quality architectural practices holding design as a primary focus, and, rather than vacate the city, Fringe Architects took the opportunity to establish a practice largely on the 'fringe' of locally engrained ideas and practices - namely the impressionable cheap-and-cheerful 'real estate' driven local culture. The firm believes in the importance of remaining visual, verbal and most of all participate in the built evolution of the city.