

Helen Chapman: Inaugural winner of the AFASLA award

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On Friday 8 December 2017, the ASLA-Tasmania Southern group had their end-of-year dinner at Embers Restaurant in Hobart. It was a great night out, with 16 attendees and many others providing heartfelt apologies at having other commitments that prevented them from attending. The atmosphere was great, and the company was even better.

During our dinner there was a sense of déjà vu, with Helen Chapman having been presented with the ASLA Tasmania Library Technician of the Year award at our end-of-year dinner in 2016; she was now front and centre again in 2017 as the inaugural winner of the Associate Fellow of ASLA (AFASLA) award. To those who know Helen, it is no surprise that she has received this latest accolade, even though it was not something she ever expected or sought out.

Helen has demonstrated her commitment to ASLA over the last 10 years or so, helping with conferences and other professional learning at both the state and the national

level, as well as writing articles and offering her support wherever it is needed.

Congratulations on your AFASLA award, Helen, and on paving the way for others to consider nominating for either a FASLA or an AFASLA award.

Helen Chapman and Ailsa Hill at Embers Restaurant, Hobart

