ACHIEVEMENTS

Bing Thom is a global thinker who through the strength of his architecture has encouraged communities in Canada and around the world to raise their ambitions and strive to improve their condition. His natural curiosity coupled with intensely critical thinking has resulted in architecture of innovation and a quest for excellence that is at the forefront of what is being produced this era.

Innovative, Award-Winning Architect

- Recipient of awards (eg: raic Governor General awards, Lieutenant-Governor of bc awards, Marche International des Professionels de l'Immobilier, cip Award for Planning Excellence, National Excellence of the Waterfront) for projects of greatly varying size and complexity: residential projects, performance arts centres, mixed-use complexes, commercial centres, waterfront developments, neighbourhood plans, and city master plans.
- Champion of technical innovation and recipient of numerous innovation awards (eg: for new heavy timber wall systems at Surrey Central City, for structure at Vancouver Aquarium).
- Architect of highly popular exposition buildings such as Expo '86 (nwt Pavilion) and Expo '92 (Canada Pavilion - the only international pavilion retained by Spain as a legacy building).
- Designer of the recently opened Arena Stage in Washington dc, already declared one of the top ten contemporary buildings in Washington by the Urban Development Institute.
- "Rare among architects today, Bing knows how to build…."—Phyllis Lambert

Influential Urban Planner

- Planner of numerous awarded and recognized master plans: Dalian and Yuxi in China, The Trinity Uptown Plan in Fort Worth tx.
- Award winner for urban projects that ripple positive change to a broad community: Surrey Central City in Surrey bc, Arena Stage in Washington dc and The Trinity Uptown Plan in Fort Worth tx.
- Canadian finalist, along with six other international firms, for the Master Planning ideas competition for the Shanghai 2010 Expo site.

Teacher, Lecturer and Researcher

- Adjunct professor of design at University of British Columbia, University of Singapore, honourary professor at Tongji University in Shanghai.
- A popular speaker, Bing has been invited to lecture at many universities and institutes including the University of Singapore, University of British Columbia, University of Lethbridge, University of California at Los Angeles and Berkley, the University of Illinois, Harvard University, McGill, Dalhousie, Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium, Qinghua University in Beijing, Chongqing Architecture and Engineering Institute, Tongji University in Shanghai, University of Texas, Royal Institute of British Architects, the National Building Museum, Ryerson, University of Calgary, Emily Carr University, Simon Fraser University.

Dedicated Volunteer/Citizen

- Participated in the "Embassies Project" during the 2008 London Festival of Architecture in the creation of an exterior wood sculpture outside Canada House on Trafalgar Square.
- Founding member of the Chinese Cultural Centre which rejuvenated Vancouver's Chinatown.

- Board member providing leadership during major building phases for University of British Columbia and the Vancouver Public Library.
- Founding member of 'Builders without Borders', a non-profit organization which constructs shelter and teaches building industry skills worldwide to those most in need, without prejudice regarding race, religion, gender or political affiliations.
- Advocate of volunteerism with his staff.
- Established the Bing Thom Architects Foundation to help fund cultural activities in cities across Canada.

Advocate of Multi-Culturalism

- Welcomes diversity of perspectives in the studio atmosphere of Bing Thom Architects—his staff come from 13 different countries and speak 14 languages collectively.
- Each project is studied in its cultural and historical context.
- Advocate of improved Canadian immigration and trade policies.
- "He is a serious thinker and observer of Western and Eastern cultures."—Arthur Erickson

Global Thinker/Philosopher

- "A person deeply concerned for the well being of our present civilization." —Arthur Erickson
- "He has been tireless in pursuing community issues, which affect architecture, urbanism, and the quality of the environment."—Moshe Safdie
- "Thom brilliantly synthesizes social, practical, and urban problems"—Phyllis Lambert

Personal Honours and Awards

- Order of Canada
- Golden Jubilee Medal
- Honorary degree from Simon Fraser University
- Honorary degree from the University of British Columbia
- Honorary professorship at Tongji University in Shanghai

SELECTED AWARDS

2011

- 2011 usitt Architecture Honor Award *Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, Washington dc*

2010

- Best of 2010 "Overall Project of the Year" Award, Mid-Atlantic Construction *Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, Washington dc*
- raic Firm Award
- Chinese Canadian Entrepreneurs Lifetime Achievement Award
- Associated Builders and Contractors Excellence in Construction Awards 2010, National Pyramid Award in Specialty Construction *Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, Washington dc*
- wbc Craftsmanship Award, Washington Building Congress *Arena Stage at the Mead Center for American Theater, Washington dc*

2009

- Awards for Excellence in Achievement, Tilt-up Concrete Association *Sunset Community Centre, Vancouver bc*

2008

- Awards for Excellence in Concrete Construction, Grand connie Award *Sunset Community Centre, Vancouver bc*
- Awards for Excellence in Concrete Construction, Tilt-up Structures *Sunset Community Centre, Vancouver bc*

2007

- Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia Certificate of Merit for Excellence in Architecture, aibc *Aberdeen Centre, Richmond bc*

2006

- Western Living Residential Design Awards, Winner of Large Home Category *Acadia Street Residence, Vancouver bc*
- Awards for Excellence in Concrete Construction, Architectural Concrete *Acadia Street Residence, Vancouver bc*

2005

- Excellence on the Waterfront Awards—Top Honor, The Waterfront Center, Washington dc *The Trinity Uptown Plan, Fort Worth ok*
- Merit Awards, Landscape Analysis & Planning, Boston Society of Landscape Architects *The Trinity Uptown Plan, Fort Worth ok*
- Citation Award, Wood Design Awards *Surrey Central City, Surrey bc*

2004

- Award of Excellence, Vancouver Regional Construction Association *Aberdeen Mall, Richmond bc*
- Illuminating Engineering Society & International Illumination Lighting Design Awards *Surrey Central City, Surrey bc*
- Marche International des Professionels de l'Immobilier (Cannes, France) Special Jury Prize *Surrey Central City, Surrey bc*
- Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia Medal in Architecture, aibc *Surrey Central City, Surrey bc*

· Architectural Institute of British Columbia Innovation Award
Surrey Central City, Surrey bc

2002
· Golden Jubilee Award

2001
· cip Award for Planning Excellence, Canadian Institute of Planners
Conceptual Development Plan for the City Centre of Yuxi, China

2000
· Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia Medal, aibc
Pacific Canada Pavilion, Vancouver Aquarium, Vancouver bc
· Architectural Institute of British Columbia Innovation Award
Pacific Canada Pavilion, Vancouver Aquarium, Vancouver bc
· crsi Design Award, Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute
Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, Vancouver bc

1998
· Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia Medal, aibc
Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, Vancouver bc
· usitt Merit Award, United States Institute for Theater Technology
Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, Vancouver bc

1997
· Winner, bc Steel Design Awards
Chan Centre for the Performing Arts, Vancouver bc

1995
· Order of Canada

1992
· Winner, Canadian National Selection *Canada Pavilion, Expo '92, Seville Spain*
· Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia Medal, aibc
False Creek Yacht Club/Anderson's Restaurant, Vancouver bc

1990
· Governor General Medal, Royal Architectural Institute of Canada
Point Grey Road Condominiums, Vancouver bc
· Governor General Medal, Royal Architectural Institute of Canada
False Creek Yacht Club/Anderson's Restaurant, Vancouver bc
· Excellence on the Waterfront Award, The Waterfront Center, Washington dc *False Creek Yacht Club / Anderson's Restaurant, Vancouver bc*

1986
· Canadian Travel and Tourism Award
Northwest Territories Pavilion, Expo '86, Vancouver bc
· Canadian Wood Council Award
Northwest Territories Pavilion, Expo '86, Vancouver bc

1981
· Canadian Architect Design Award *12th Avenue Condominiums, Vancouver bc*

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