CAA is pleased to Announce the Robert Matthew Award for 2019. The award cycle is 3 years and this year the award is facilitated by the Architects Association of Kenya (AAK).

ABOUT ARCHITECT ROBERT MATTHEW:
Sir Robert Hogg Matthew (1906-1975) was an architect who became a leading member of the modernist movement. He became a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects in 1955 and served as its President from 1962 to 1964. He was awarded Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE) in 1952 and knighted in 1962. Sir Robert Matthew was the first President of the Commonwealth Association of Architects and the International Union of Architects (UIA).

THE AWARD:
In 1982 CAA established this Award to commemorate its founder. The Award recognizes innovative contributions to the development of architecture in the Commonwealth context. The award is to be made to an architectural practice making the most outstanding contribution, having particular relevance to the country or region in which the architect or architectural practice operates.

PAST WINNERS:
The past winners represent a distinguished body of architects who have provided many Commonwealth countries with significant and lasting architectural endowments.

1. Philip Cox of **Australia** - 1983
3. Raj Rewal of **India** - 1989
5. Ian Ritchie Architects of **UK** - 1994
7. TR Hamzah and Yeang of **Malaysia** - 2000
8. Balkrishna Doshi of **India** - 2003
   - Grimshaw Architects - **UK**
   - Pervaiz Vandal & Associates - **Pakistan**
CONDITIONS:

1. The award is given once in the term of General Assembly of CAA.

2. The award is to recognize innovative contributions to the development of architecture, especially in the Commonwealth context, by an architect or architectural practice nominated by a Member Organizations of the Commonwealth Association of Architects.

3. The award may be made for cumulative contributions made over the current session of the CAA Assembly and the immediately preceding session.

4. Each Member Organization (MO) will forward applications received from its members to the RM Award committee not necessarily restricted to the members of the Institution or Association.

6. Submissions are to be made electronically on jpg or pdf formats to A1 paper size (594mm x 841mm) which should be capable of being printed at a high quality resolution. These should be in landscape format only. The total combined size of the upload should not exceed 25MB per image.

7. Maximum no of A1 papers submission are limited to 10.

8. The nomination to be submitted to the Secretariat of the Commonwealth Association of Architects with appropriate supporting material on or before the stipulated date.

9. The awards will be judged by a jury of three members two of whom shall be members of the profession with the third member, not necessarily a member of the profession, coming from the host country.

CRITERIA:

1. Design achievement that demonstrates skill and creativity, including ecological stewardship and social responsibility that acknowledges and advances social agendas. Projects should reflect a sense of place, of ecology, of history, or of purpose as an integral part of the design excellence.

2. Technical advancement, if any, which may include engineering achievements (structural, mechanical, transportation, computer, etc.) as well as innovative use of materials.

3. Academic Contribution, if any, which may include contribution to international / national architectural discourse including academic and educational benefits to students of architecture.
APPROPRIATE SUPPORTING MATERIAL / REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR SUBMISSION:

The following documents shall be assembled by the candidate as part of the submission.

1.0 Introduction of the Architect or Architectural office making the most outstanding innovative contribution to the development of architecture having particular relevance to the country or region in which the architect or architectural office operates.

2.0 Examples of the Architects or Architectural Office’s work: (Additional materials can be requested on a case-by-case basis)

   2.1 Project under taken by the Architect or Architectural Office. (Drawings, Photographs, 3D’s/Sketches, Project Brief, Team Involved and a Write-up on the project)

   2.2 Examples of overall work of the Architect or Architectural Office.

   2.3 Submissions can be made electronically on jpg or pdf formats to A1 paper size. Maximum no of A1 papers are limited to 10.

   2.4 Video clip or Documentary featuring the submitted entry (Can be uploaded electronically.

3.0 A paragraph (not more than 500 words) explaining why the entry might be considered for The RM Award. Information that exceeds the limit of 500 words will not be reviewed.

SCHEDULE OF AWARD:
The schedule of the process involved in selecting the Award Recipient:

- **November 2018 – March 2019** – To receive Nominations.
- **31st March 2019** – Deadline for submission. The Jury shall base its assessment on nominations received prior to this date.
- **April - May 2019** – Jury review. The Jury shall review the shortlisted candidates and prepare their final recommendation.
- **30th May 2019** – Award Recipient is chosen through a majority vote. The decision shall be final and without appeal.
- **August 2019** – Award Recipient receive the Trophy. The Award Ceremony will take place in Mombasa. Kenya, where the Award Recipient shall receive a Certificate, Award Plaque, and a Medal.
DECLARATION OF AUTHORSHIP & ACCEPTANCE OF COMPETITION REGULATIONS:
A declaration should accompany all submissions agreeing to abide by the award conditions and accepting the decision of the Judging Panel as final.

COPYRIGHT:
The ownership of Copyright in the work of all Nominees will be in accordance with the UK Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988, that is Copyright rests with the author of the submitted design.

ENQUIRIES:
The award is being managed and administered by the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA). All enquiries relating to the award should be directed to comarchitect.org@gmail.com with a copy to admin@comarchitect.org

Neither the organisers, sponsors nor members of the judging panel should be solicited for information as this may lead to disqualification.

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Acting Executive Director

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