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Recognising excellence in Africa, the winners of the 2017 Women in Construction Awards were announced on 24 May at a gala dinner at the Gallagher Convention Centre.

The prestigious event was hosted by the African Construction and Totally Concrete Expos with Standard Bank and the NHBRC as gold sponsors. Over 200 guests from the cement, concrete and construction industries applauded the finalists and celebrated the winners.

Over 60 nominations were received and a panel of judges, composed of 19 industry experts, identified 44 finalists, representing four African countries.

Gender empowerment coupled with industry transformation is key to unlocking the future potential of the construction industry and ultimately closing Africa's infrastructure gap. The fifth annual Women in Construction Awards enabled industry stakeholders to demonstrate their commitment to empowerment, transformation and the celebration of its women, pioneers and rising stars who have made a vital contribution to development.

AND THE WINNERS ARE

Individual Awards

- Women in Architecture Award - Sponsored by South African Institute of Architects**
Karuni Naidoo, Director/ Pr Architect, CNN Architects
- Pioneer of Innovation Award - Sponsored by National Home Builders Registration Council**
Riefqah Abrahams, Director / Pr.Architect, Archi Cape Town
- Woman in Media and Communications Excellence**
Mapule Mphaki, Marketing & Media Director, Growing Up Africa
- Woman in Concrete: Lifetime Achievement Award - Sponsored by Standard Bank**
Deborah Terhune, Director, Growing Up Africa
- New Starter of the Year Award (Under 30 years)**
Halima Simtitu, Graduate Engineer, National Housing Corporation, Tanzania
- Young Entrepreneur / Rising Star Award (Under 40 years)**
Bianca Shakinovsky, CEO, Pentafloor (Pty) Ltd

Organisational Awards

- Most Innovative Women Training Programme**
Robus Engineering Training Services (Pty) Ltd
- Excellence in Career Development**
NHBRC Women Empowerment Programme

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“ I was honoured to receive an award at last night's Women in Construction gala and would like to extend a thank you to you and your organisation for celebrating the contributions and achievements of women in the built environment. As a young woman in the field I find it encouraging to witness and be a part of such a successful event. ”

Mpilo Ntuli - 3rd place New Starter of the Year Award (under 30 years)



RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE IN AFRICA

CATEGORY FINALISTS

PIONEER OF INNOVATION AWARD

- Duduzile Ndwandwe, GSC Holdings PTY (LTD) and Romalax Properties PTY LTD
- Glarina Nyatshoba, Newglo Trading
- Grizelda Du Toit, Afrisam
- Margaret Ezekiel, National Housing Corporation, Tanzania
- Nina Ndichu, Mimari Limited, Tanzania
- Riefqah Abrahams, Archi Cape Town
- Shaakira Chohan, Johannesburg Development Agency
- Sandi Mbutuma, Azzaro Quantity Surveyors (PTY) LTD

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NEW STARTER OF THE YEAR AWARD (UNDER 30 YEARS)

- Halima Simutu, National Housing Corporation, Tanzania
- Monique Kriek, Osmand Lange Architects and Planners
- Mpilo Ntuli, Tiber Construction (PTY) LTD
- Nomvuyo Hlophe - Simayoni, VIP Property Planning and Property Development

YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR / RISING STAR AWARD (UNDER 40 YEARS)

- Dr Bianca Shakinovsky, Pentafloor (PTY) LTD
- Siyasanga Gomoyi, Sesi Q Trading
- Thandiwe Solo, Atisa Bokgabane Trading cc
- Thatho Mokhothu, Refilwe Tshiamo Trading
- Tosin Dobiri, Purple Capital Partners, Nigeria

WOMAN IN MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS EXCELLENCE AWARD

- Elsonia Swarts, Public Works & Infrastructure, Free State
- Gill Owens, Concrete Trends Journal
- Mapule Mphaki, Ms Curvybody SA

WOMAN IN CONCRETE: LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- Deborah Terhune, Growing Up Africa
- Dr Thandi Ndlovu, Matheo Construction Group
- Dr Snowy Khoza, Bigen Africa Group
- Gill Owens, Concrete Trends Journal
- Margaret Ezekiel, National Housing Corporation, Tanzania
- Muthoni Kuria, Reata Serviced Apartments, Nairobi

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WOMAN IN ARCHITECTURE AWARD

- Althea Peacock, Lemon Pebble Architects
- Dael Janine Fairbairn, Erasmus Fairbairn Architects
- Gillian Hell, Veld Architects
- Judith Paterson, Boogertman & Partners
- Karuni Naidoo, CNN Architects cc
- Liana Els Claasen, Liana Claasen Architects
- Mira Fassler-Kamstra
- Monique Karen, Gillespie Architects
- Nadia Tromp, Ntsika Architects
- Rahdia Parker, Archi Cape Town

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ORGANISATIONAL AWARDS:

EXCELLENCE IN CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD:

- Archi Cape Town
- Department of Public Works & Infrastructure, Kwa-Zulu Natal
- National Home Builders Registration Council (NHBC), Women Empowerment Programme

MOST INNOVATIVE WOMEN TRAINING PROGRAMME:

- Kwa-Zulu Natal Department of Public Works Bursary and Internship Programme
- Free State Department of Public Works and Infrastructure - EPWP Contractor Development Programme
- SEDA Construction Incubator
- Women on Edge Civil Contractor