



*The new extensions
at St Margaret's
Church, Angmering,
West Sussex*



Nick Lee Evans awarded Downland Prize 2009 for Community 24/09/09

Lee Evans Partnership's Managing Partner, Nick Lee Evans, was among the five winners of the Downland Prize 2009 which were announced on Tuesday, 22 September at a reception held at the RIBA's Headquarters. The winners were selected from 95 entries submitted by architects from across the south and the south east regions of England.

His project at St Mary's Church, Angmering, was joint winner in the community category and was described by the Downland Prize jury as 'a very well-executed, sympathetic extension'. Re-ordered by Samuel Sanders Teulon in the 1850s, St Margaret's is significant as it is one of just a handful of Medieval Grade II* Listed churches to gain consent for such an extensive re-ordering in the 21st century.

The Downland Prize is awarded to architects who are based in the South or South East RIBA Regions, for projects anywhere in the UK of under £1million total cost. The Prize celebrates the added value that an architect can bring to a relatively small project.

Run by RIBA South East and RIBA South since 1998, the Downland Prize is sponsored this year by Ibstock, which has sponsored the prize since its inception; and by the Rooflight Company. Graham Whitehouse, Chairman of RIBA South East and one of the judges, commented: 'This year, both the quantity and quality of entries to the Downland Prize were exceptionally high. Many of the projects entered were completed just as the recession began to bite. Now, as economic recovery begins, we are delighted that the Downland Prize provides so many examples of architects providing excellent, lasting value.'

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