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Winner: Housing Award



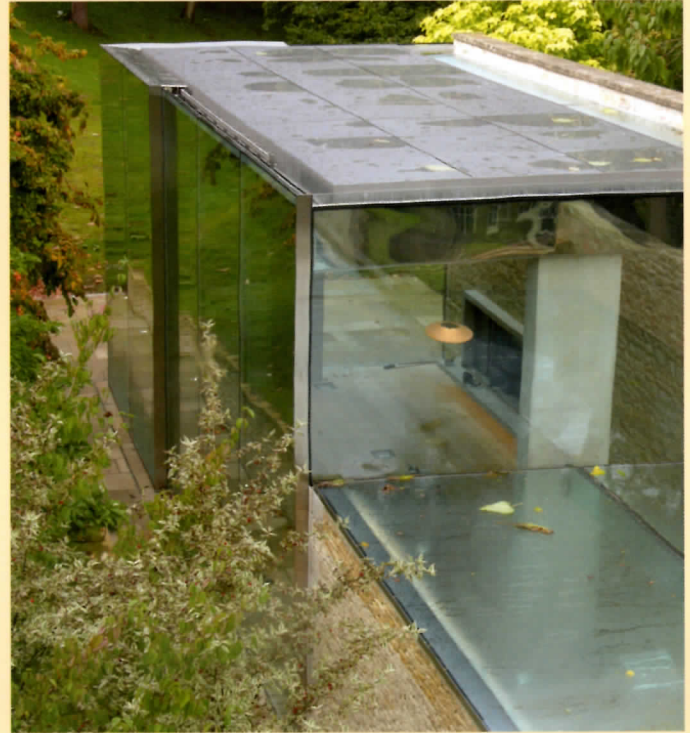
This contemporary 'orangery' rediscovers an existing stone boundary wall to define public and private areas and settles against it, using transparency to diminish its overall mass out of respect for Woodchester House itself. The scheme is a superb example of a clear vision, augmented and realised through technical innovation – an elegant integration of both the art and craft of architectural design. It demonstrates a confident understanding of both historical and physical context as generators of a modern continuation of the estate's built history, providing the owners with the means to enjoy their garden in comfort.

Woodchester House

Location: Stroud

Architect: Robert Grace Architecture, London

Client: Richard Hains



Winner: Public Sector Award



Faculty of Technology & Environment, UWE 'R' Block

Location: Bristol

Architect: Stride Treglown Architects, Bristol

Client: University of West England



It is often said of architecture that it suffers from always being a prototype. In this regard this scheme positively thrives on being a second phase of the successful Faculty of the Built Environment preceding it. The building deliberately exposes the inventive way in which it constructed using the Modcell straw bale system, cellulose insulation and cladding panels made from 94 percent recycled material. The generation of a building's design from an environmental agenda is elegantly resolved in this project and well rehearsed in the original scheme however its success significantly derives from a factor other than the obviously ecological.



