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Equity Trustees congratulates national Rigg Design Prize recipient Adam Goodrum

Equity Trustees, managers of the Cicely & Colin Rigg Bequest, the charitable trust supporting the triennial Rigg Design Prize, congratulates Adam Goodrum for receiving the 2015 Prize.

The Rigg Design Prize, announced today by the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV), is the most prestigious accolade for contemporary furniture and object design in Australia, awarding \$30,000 to an Australian designer.

Mr Goodrum won the Rigg Design Prize for his work *'Unfolding'* which features a series of translucent folding house structures overlaid with a film that makes the structure reflect colourful shimmering images on the gallery walls.

"We are delighted to be involved in the Rigg Design Prize and congratulate Adam on receiving it for his work *'Unfolding'* which is a visually stunning piece. We hope people will visit the exhibition at the NGV showcasing the extraordinary designs of all seven Rigg Design Prize entrants, including Adam's," said Tabitha Lovett, General Manager of Philanthropy at Equity Trustees.

"This is a wonderful opportunity to see the imaginations of master designers up close. Adam's body of work has been exhibited internationally and he has been commissioned to produce designs across Australia and overseas.

Formerly known as the *Cicely & Colin Rigg Contemporary Design Award*, the Rigg Design Prize was established in 1994 to support contemporary craft and design practice in Victoria. In 2015, this prestigious award begins a new chapter by including designers from around Australia, with this year's recipient, Adam Goodrum, based in NSW.

The prize is a legacy of the late Colin Rigg (1895 – 1982), a former secretary of the Felton Bequest Committee. The Felton Bequest, a charitable trust managed by Equity Trustees has, since its establishment in 1904, supported the purchase of over 15,000 artworks for the NGV.

"We are delighted to see what is made possible through the philanthropic support of the charitable trusts and foundations with which we work" said Ms Lovett. "We strive to support philanthropists such as the Riggs to create their own legacy through charitable giving."

Equity Trustees manages more than 450 trusts and foundations, which together distribute around \$80 million annually across a range of causes – such as education, health, medical research and the arts.

The other designers invited to submit for the Award included Brodie Neill (TAS), Daniel Emma (SA), Kate Rohde (VIC), Khai Liew (SA), Korban/Flaubert (NSW) and Koskela (NSW) in collaboration with the weavers of Elcho Island Arts (NT).

[Click here](#) for more about the Rigg Design Prize 2015 or visit the NGV online or in person.

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