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MPAVILION 2018

Carme Pinós

The fifth **MPavilion** is designed by Spanish architect and educator **Carme Pinós** of **Estudio Carme Pinós**, **Barcelona**, the first public commission by a female Spanish architect in Australia. Celebrating Carme's design philosophy, which advocates building communities, inclusivity and universal connection, the pavilion will be a sensorial summer experience built in the Queen Victoria Gardens.

Carme Pinós is one of the world's leading architectural voices, with projects spanning public architecture, social housing, urban refurbishment and furniture and object design. Pinós major built works are visible in Vienna, Mexico and across Spain, with scale-model works acquired by the Museum of Modern Art in New York and the Centre Pompidou in Paris.

A recipient of the prestigious Berkeley-Rupp Architecture Professorship and Prize (2016), Carme has made significant contributions to advance gender equality in the field of architecture with a large body of work exhibition a genuine commitment to community.

Among her most significant works are the Department Building of the Vienna University of Economics and Business (Austria), the Cube II Towers in Guadalajara (Mexico), the Caixaforum Cultural and Exhibition Centre in Zaragoza (Spain), and the metro station Zona Universitaria and the Crematorium in the Igualada Cemetery, both in Barcelona.

MPavilion is a unique experiment in public space, for which the Naomi Milgram Foundation each year

commissions a world-leading architect to design a temporary garden pavilion in Melbourne. From October through February, the **MPavilion** becomes a design and cultural laboratory, and home to a series of talks, workshops, performances and installations. With over 400 free events for all ages, Pinós's design this year has inspired **MPavilion's** program themes which include: women in leadership, building communities, fostering inclusive cities, visual languages: fashion and architecture, regional contexts, and landscape and nature.

Melbourne Festival Artistic Director said: 'This has rapidly become one of the popular events in Melbourne and Carme brings an understanding of how a society operates and the interaction between architecture and communities. It's fabulous this year to have a strong female architect heading up this project but also someone who has a strong sense of both form and function. I'm a huge fan of her work.'

MPavilion 2018 is a place for people to experience with all their senses—to establish a sophisticated relationship with nature, but also a space for social activities and connections.

Presented in association with Naomi Milgram Foundation.

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