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Managing Director's Update



2016 was a truly unforgettable year. The first 6-months of this financial year have been excellent and the forecast for the remainder of the year is also positive. I'm immensely proud of the work that our teams are doing to make Higgins Coatings a success.

On the back of our regional expansion, our company's success is creating jobs and opportunities in our corporate offices, as well as on worksites around Australia and New Zealand.

I especially want to recognise our outgoing General Manager, Rowan Galbraith's 11-year contribution to the business and acknowledge how much he helped build the foundations that have made Higgins Coatings the success that it is today. I wish him all the best for the future.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Paul Warman, who joined as our new CEO in October 2016 after being on the Advisory Board for 18 months.

While 2017 will certainly bring its own unique set of challenges, our direction is clear and we know what we need to do to make that happen. We will continue to focus on growth and provide our customers with the best service and most comprehensive solutions in the market. Meanwhile we'll manage our costs, continue building our brand, and do our part to keep the economy moving forward.

Gerard Higgins
Managing Director

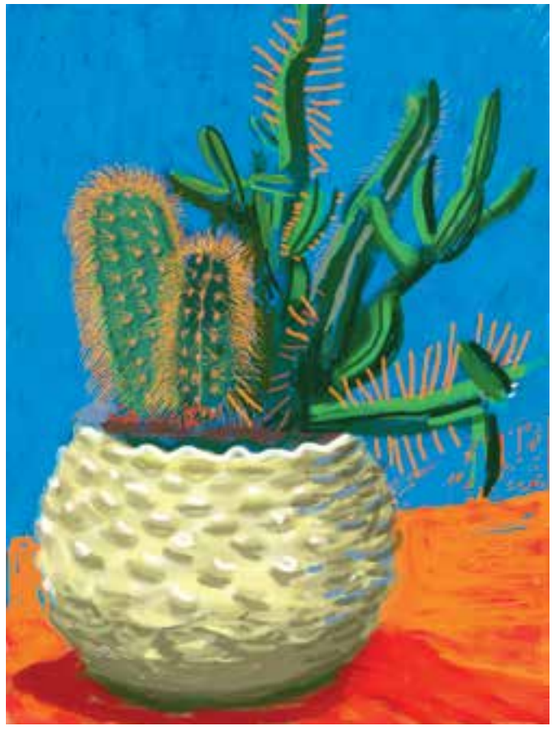
The Collaboration Continues –

DAVID HOCKNEY

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The relationship between Higgins Coatings and the National Gallery of Victoria (NGV) continued for this past summer's major exhibition, *David Hockney: Current*. We were delighted to join a throng of corporate supporters as a major partner of this exhibition, which ran from 11 November 2016 to 13 March 2017.



As part of our collaboration with the NGV, we completed building and painting works for the Hockney exhibition. This included demolishing the existing *Degas: A New Vision* exhibition, framing the new walls, installing hanging bands for specific art works, plastering and painting. The work took 13 days to complete using a team of 15 tradespeople.

David Hockney, 79, is arguably Britain's greatest living contemporary artist. His paintings experiment with the use of new technologies and NGV visitors had access to more than 1,200 of these works. Some of the paintings on display were new or had never been seen before in Australia, while other works spanned the past decade of Hockney's career to include well-known paintings, digital drawings, photography and video works.

David Hockney: Current was the fourth summer exhibition that Higgins Coatings has been involved with, and follows successful collaborations for *Melbourne Now* (2014), *The Fashion World of Jean Paul Gaultier: From the Sidewalk to the Catwalk* (2015) and *Andy Warhol | Ai Weiwei* (2016).

For more information:
www.ngv.vic.gov.au/exhibition/david-hockney/

NATIONAL GALLERY OF VICTORIA NGV

DAVID HOCKNEY

English 1937–

The Arrival of Spring in Woldgate, East Yorkshire in 2011 (twenty eleven) – 7 May (847) 2011

iPad drawing

Collection of the artist © David Hockney

Strata Management



“

OUR TRACK RECORD IN THE AREA OF STRATA MANAGEMENT IS PROVEN, AND WE’RE WINNING AWARDS FOR THE HIGH QUALITY OF OUR WORKMANSHIP.

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When Appearances Are Deceptive

Higgins Coatings Uncover Critical Damage

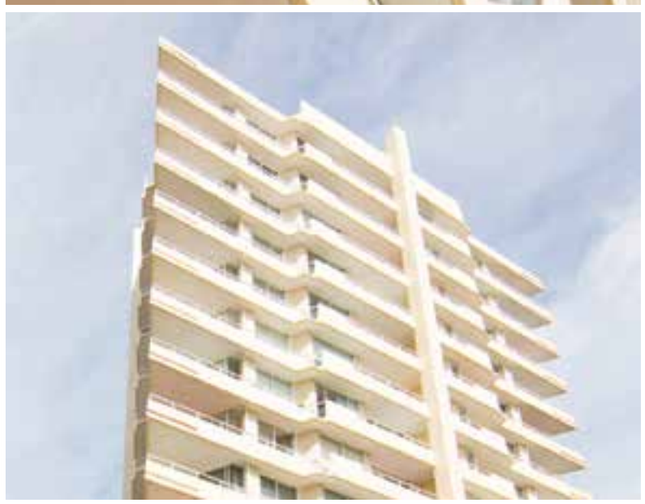
Trident Apartments is a residential building in Sydney comprising 41 units. The original brief was to provide a straightforward quote for repainting the soffits and downpipes. However, due to the extensive remedial repairs that were urgently needed, the scope of this project significantly increased. What was initially a small painting job quickly turned into a large repair and repaint project.

PROJECT NAME:
Trident Apartments, Sydney

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
The Higgins Coatings team in Sydney carefully inspected Trident Apartments before repainting its exterior, and in the process discovered that urgent and extensive remedial repairs would be needed.







The Higgins Coatings team carefully inspected and reported on moisture levels to the balcony soffits, as well as the existing cathodic protection system (which controls metal surface corrosion). It was discovered that the façade walls, balcony soffits, and upstands all needed substantial repair. The plaster render had also pulled away from the wall, which meant it needed to be removed from the balcony and re-rendered onto the walls.

Among the other major issues that were discovered, the control joint sealant and parts of the concrete both needed replacing. Specialised concrete repairs were undertaken to the balconies and upstand walls, which meant removing all the defective concrete and then treating the reinforcement underneath with a specialised zinc coating. The concrete was then repaired using all the products in the Parchem Renderoc HB40 system and finally a 4-coat coating system was applied to the apartments.

The Executive Committee and Building Manager were thrilled with the results.



Concrete Cancer Cleared Up

Before



The apartments at 90 Lambert St in Kangaroo Point, Brisbane had concrete cancer – meaning that the steel reinforcing within the concrete slabs was rusting.

Higgins Coatings was asked to carry out the considerable remedial repairs and then repaint the whole exterior. Scaffolding and abseil access were used to repaint the apartments, and the whole project was completed on time and within budget.

Beachside Apartments Transformed

Mon Plaisir is a low-rise apartment building set on the lovely beachside location of Scarborough, Brisbane.

The coastal conditions had worn away the paintwork and the apartments were looking tired. The Higgins Coatings team restored the apartments to their former glory with a complete colour change, and the customer was very pleased with the finished results.

Before



After



Repainting **Brisbane Apartments**

The Body Corporate selected Higgins Coatings to complete the external repaint of the 5-storey apartments in Toowong.

Swing stage and scaffold access was used to complete this project to the highest standards with minimal fuss and disruption. A full works schedule was also issued to all owners and tenants so that they were aware of what was happening and could stay up-to-date on the progress.





After





Before

Milton Edge Apartments

The owners of Milton Edge Apartments wanted to breathe new life into the building with a different colour scheme.

Major remedial works were first required to get Milton Edge Apartments back into shape. Higgins Coatings successfully completed the necessary maintenance works, and then repainted the entire exterior using a swing stage and a professional abseiling team. Throughout this project, the apartments were made exclusion zone compliant to ensure the public's safety.

Dandenong Branch

Paints Over The Rising Tides

PROJECT NAME:

Melbourne Body
Corporate Management
Apartment Complex & Marina
Patterson Lakes

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Working at heights over water carries significant risks. Nevertheless, our abseilers repainted this entire building safely and with excellent results.

A staggering 2,045 litres of paint and 3,500 painting hours were required to complete the repaint job at the Melbourne Body Corporate apartment complex in Patterson Lakes. 2,400 of these hours were completed by a professional abseiling team. The apartment complex and marina had a number of unique health and safety challenges.

The most unusual challenge was that the Higgins Coatings team was working over water. Tidal charts were reviewed each morning and the painting schedule was created to ensure the painters knew what areas were able to be worked on.

Our boat driver took the team around the marina so that they could complete the painting work. Good communication with the adjoining marina operators was paramount to ensure everyone's safety, the driver was instructed to give way to all marina traffic and keep a 2-way radio on hand.

There was also the risk that, without the right techniques, the paint could spill into the water below and impact the environment. Several precautionary measures were taken to prevent this. Firstly, only small quantities of paint were taken near the water. And secondly, water-reacting PFD was kept on hand at all times. Despite their challenges, our abseilers repainted the entire building with excellent results.





Matriarch Of Wollongong
Receives Makeover

Wollongong has been busy redefining itself over recent years. The town has moved away from its industrial roots to become a thriving beachside city surrounded by the Pacific Ocean. The local population has also been growing at a rapid pace, as people seek affordable and alternative living options away from Sydney.

Creston Apartments is the tallest building in Wollongong, reaching the city's height limit of 46m, 15 storeys above ground level. Situated on the highest point on Corrimal St, it boasts sweeping views of Wollongong's beaches, harbour, the Illawarra Escarpment and right down the coast to Port Kembla. Built in 1984, the property hadn't been painted for over 10 years and was certainly showing its age.

Before



Higgins Coatings was thrilled to be awarded the contract to repair and repaint the exterior of this iconic building, and keep it at the forefront of prestigious beachside accommodation in Wollongong. A significant amount of concrete repair was made to the façades and the Higgins Coatings team also waterproofed the window surrounds. The apartments were then repainted in a modern colour scheme using swing stage access that was set up progressively around the external façades. The most difficult parts of the building were repainted with the assistance of our specialised abseiling team.

The project management team met with the owners on a weekly basis to ensure that the works ran smoothly, and a regime of inspection and test plans was adopted and signed off by the material supplier. The final results are impressive, and it's good to see the matriarch of Wollongong smiling once again.

After







Painting In The Heart Of **Auckland**

Set in the heart of Auckland's CBD is an 11-storey high profile complex known as Western Park Apartments.

All of the expansion joints needed to be replaced in the apartments, and then the whole building received 2 coats of Dulux AcraTex AcraShield Advance Low Gloss Paint. A specialised abseiling team applied the paint and the result was a watertight, modernised, sophisticated look with optimised lifecycle efficiency.



The Madison

The Madison Apartments in Wollongong was an extensive project that required a full repaint of all external and internal common areas. A new colour scheme was selected by the owners and the painting was completed with the use of swing stage, booms and rope.

Oasis Apartments

Oasis Apartments are a prominent 5-storey strata complex located in Newcastle, NSW.

This complex was in need of minor remedial repairs, which included filling in the cracks with Sikaflex. A waterproof membrane was also applied to assist with water ingress.

One of the biggest challenges of this project was that the site was difficult to access, so works had to be conducted from scissor lifts and an 80-foot boom. The customer wasn't sure what colour they wanted for the exterior repaint, so a specialised colour consultant helped select a colour that everyone was delighted with.

This project was completed with minimal inconvenience and feedback from the owners and residents has been overwhelmingly positive.

> “ON BEHALF OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND OWNERS IN THE OASIS BUILDING I AM WRITING TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR A JOB VERY WELL DONE! WE HAVE NO HESITATION IN RECOMMENDING THE HIGGINS COATINGS TEAM TO ANY STRATA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE THAT IS CONSIDERING REPAINTING THEIR BUILDING. CONGRATULATIONS TO HIGGINS COATINGS AND ALL TEAM MEMBERS FOR THE EXCELLENT WORK AND SERVICE PROVIDED TO US.”
>
> **Treasurer,** *Oasis Apartments*









Higgins Coatings Win Award For Excellence in WA

Allegro Apartments



L – R: Ben Manning (Higgins Coatings, Regional Manager, WA), Ted Bucknell (Dulux, State Manager, WA), and Andrew Ploenges (Higgins Coatings, Branch Manager, Perth)

Master Painters and Decorators Australia recently held their Awards for Excellence Gala Dinner. The Higgins Coatings Perth team took out the *Award for Excellence – Commercial Repaint Category (up to $300,000)* for works completed on Allegro Apartments.

Allegro Apartments is a 16-storey building located on the Burswood Peninsula, and judges critiqued the job on surface preparation, application, and degree of difficulty. The judges deemed all areas were of a high quality, and took into strong consideration the degree of difficulty involved in this project, which included the use of swing stage scaffold access and abseil painting. As is the aim of all projects the Higgins Coatings team completes, the job was delivered to the highest standard, with minimal fuss or disruption to the residents. To ensure an unmatched, quality finish, the team also managed the render repairs required prior to painting.

But it wasn't only the judges who were impressed by the outcome. Most importantly, the owners were very satisfied with the end result. So satisfied, in fact, that they recommended painting services to the neighbouring Axis Apartments, who are now a Higgins Coatings customer as well.

Higgins Coatings was also nominated in the *Commercial Repaint Category (over $300,000)* and *Business of the Year* categories.

Commercial



“HIGGINS COATINGS HAS A STRONG REPUTATION IN THE COMMERCIAL INDUSTRY FOR OUR HIGH QUALITY RESULTS WITH BOTH ONE-OFF PROJECTS AND LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS.”



Reaching Dizzying New Heights

Higgins Coatings Abseils Over Brisbane

Abseiling 250m high in the sky is not a job for the faint-hearted. But that's all in a day's work for the Brisbane abseiling team, who are reaching great heights while completing painting works on Riparian Plaza. They are giving a face lift to an icon that was at one time Brisbane's tallest building. Even today, this Brisbane icon remains one of the tallest buildings in the city skyline and comprises 53-storeys of premium office accommodation, luxury apartments, retail and multi-level car parking.

The 4 man abseil team have a number of essential qualifications, including IRATA (International Rope Access Trade Association), ARAA (Australian Rope Access Association) and Working at Heights. Nevertheless, this is the tallest building that they have worked on. "Most buildings in the city are much smaller, so having the opportunity to work on such an iconic Brisbane landmark is an amazing opportunity…the view is pretty good too!" abseiler Chris Trengove said.

One of the most complex parts of this job is painting the communication spire that sits atop the building. Painting this spire is part of the external repaint and maintenance agreement for the building – a complex job involving abseiling, mobile scaffolding, elevated work platforms, swing stage access and strict safety compliance.

More than 5,000 litres of paint and 7,000 painting hours will be required from the Higgins Coatings team in order to complete this job. The last lick of paint is expected to be applied around the middle of 2017.

> HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPLETE WORKS ON THIS ICONIC BUILDING IS VERY EXCITING FOR OUR COMPANY. EXECUTING VOLUME, MANAGING COMPLEXITY AND MEETING THE EXPECTATIONS OF ALL THE STAKEHOLDERS WILL BE A GREAT CHALLENGE FOR OUR BUSINESS – A CHALLENGE THAT WE ARE 100% COMMITTED TO. IT'S A GREAT COMPLIMENT FOR OUR BUSINESS THAT WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASSOCIATE OUR BRAND WITH THE PRESTIGE OF RIPARIAN PLAZA.
>
> **Cameron Steindl**
> *Higgins Coatings, Branch Manager, Brisbane*



Harvey Norman Refurbishment

A long-term customer of Higgins Coatings, Harvey Norman, recently required an external repaint of their store in Whyalla, South Australia.

It was immediately apparent that there would be several challenges involved in this project. The first issue was the heat, which dried the paint quickly, meaning the team needed to work very fast. Another consideration was that one side of the Harvey Norman store was located on a main road, so careful traffic management throughout this project was required.

The other major challenge was ensuring that trading wasn't impacted by the repaint. Higgins Coatings resolved this issue by completing any works around the entrance, doorways and vehicle loading docks very early in the morning.

Overall the job ran smoothly and we received positive feedback from all who were involved.

Repainting started in 2016 across multiple Harvey Norman stores, including Whyalla, and there is continued work across Australia and New Zealand planned throughout 2017. Our strong relationship with Harvey Norman is a result of our ability to service a large multi-site company with a consistent approach and quality across all of their stores, and we look forward to providing more great results in the near future.



After





Before







Champion Flour Factory

Positioned directly on the largest seaport in New Zealand, Champion Flour invited Higgins Coatings to propose a suitable long-term maintenance solution for their Mt. Maunganui site. Higgins Coatings was delighted to be awarded the contract and works commenced shortly thereafter.

The site was carefully and comprehensively prepared and washed down so that it could be repainted. There were several unique challenges involved in repainting these facilities. Primarily the site's close proximity to the sea, and the high-level industrial requirements of working on a food production facility. Thus communication and coordination were essential to ensure that this project ran smoothly.

Maryborough Clock Tower
Completed On Time

The Clock Tower is an iconic building in the Maryborough CBD that is chiming once again thanks to Higgins Coatings.

The Fraser Coast Regional Council requested restoration works take place on this 82-year-old heritage-listed clock. Great care was taken throughout this project to maintain the clock's historical integrity. The clock face was accessed using an 80-tonne crane and restored all 4 faces of the clock mechanism over the course of 2-weeks.



After







Taking A Historic Building
Back To Its Glory Days

Built in the late 1890s, The Northern Steamship Building is a historical building situated on Auckland's busy waterfront. It is also one of the few surviving buildings designed by architect Arthur P. Wilson.

Higgins Coatings had the privilege of helping to restore the decorative paintwork, with fantastic results. The building was brought back to life with newly painted timber against the original brickwork. As a result of our care and this workmanship, Higgin Coatings have been asked to provide services to other historic buildings within the Britomart precinct.

Retail

“NO 2 RETAIL PROJECTS ARE THE SAME, AND HIGGINS COATINGS IS CONTINUALLY KEPT BUSY WORKING ON RETAIL PROJECTS OF VARYING SCOPES.”

Rubi Shoes Retail Store
Receives Speedy Renovations

Flexibility was key for the renovation of the Rubi Shoes store in Auckland. The customer required a total makeover of their flagship store in Sylvia Park Shopping Mall prior to senior management arriving from overseas.

Overall the turnaround time was tight, but Higgins Coatings rose to the challenge. The job was discussed in detail on Sunday and then completed before 9am that Wednesday, all without interrupting business operations. In the true spirit of our motto “whatever it takes,” our Business Development Manager took on this challenge head first. He worked closely with the Project Manager to ensure that the customer was happy with the results and the job was achieved within the desired time frame.

Beyond the repainting and repairs, there was other reactive work that we were able to perform. For example, the logos displayed were outdated, so we got a signage team on site straight away. The customer also needed furniture for their store, and as they were from overseas and unfamiliar with Auckland, we assisted them with finding local furniture stores. The Visual Merchandise Manager at Rubi was very pleased with the results.

“THE RUBI TEAM AND I ARE THRILLED WITH THE RESULT. NOT ONLY WAS YOUR TEAM GREAT, BUT YOU WENT OVER AND ABOVE TO ENSURE THE JOB WAS COMPLETED BEYOND OUR SATISFACTION AND IN THE TIME FRAME WE REQUIRED. THIS RESULTED IN A MASSIVE INCREASE OF SALES AND FOOT TRAFFIC FOR US AND WE OWE MUCH OF THAT TO YOU AND YOUR TEAM. THANK YOU SO MUCH AGAIN AND WE AT RUBI WOULD LOVE THE CHANCE TO WORK WITH YOU AGAIN.”

Visual Merchandise Manager,
Rubi Shoes



Sporting



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WE ARE PROUD TO WORK ON SPORTS AND RECREATION PROJECTS IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. HIGGINS COATINGS HELP KEEP THE GAMES GOING IN OUR SPORT-LOVING NATIONS.

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Reviving Corrimal Beach

Lifeguard Tower

Higgins Coatings completed works to the weathered looking lifeguard tower of Corrimal Beach in Wollongong.

The lifeguard tower was treated for corrosion and we applied new anti-corrosive coatings in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. This ensured that the lifeguard tower will be protected from the harsh beachside environment for the next few years.





Bowled Over By Cricket

Grounds Transformation

Last winter Queensland Cricket engaged Higgins Coatings to paint and perform minor repairs to the facilities at Allan Border Field in Brisbane. The stadium had not been painted for approximately 20 years.

U-Design Interiors designed the new paint scheme which incorporated the traditional colours of Queensland Cricket (maroon and gold), and then Higgins Coatings repainted the entire stadium.

However, that was only part of a long list of work that was required to bring the precinct up to the Tier 2 standard for the summer of cricket (as stipulated by Cricket Australia for hosting Australia A, International Tour and Domestic One Day matches). Higgins Coatings managed an extensive number of repairs to the stadium, and the large teams of tradespeople working on site were well managed so that site disruptions were never an issue.

This project successfully rejuvenated the tired grandstands into a precinct that will continue to showcase cricket in Queensland for many years to come.

Hospitality



“WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE HOSPITALITY SECTOR IS COMPETITIVE, AND THAT IT’S IMPORTANT TO PRODUCE HIGH QUALITY WORK WHILE MAKING SURE THAT CUSTOMERS AND GUESTS ARE NOT DISRUPTED.”

Making The Mirage A Reality

Higgins Coatings had the expertise and commitment to transform the Sheraton's vision for the Mirage Hotel into a reality.

The scope of this project was considerable. Each of the 288 internal guest rooms needed to be repainted, as did the exterior of the resort and the lagoons. An external remediation was also carried out, which included water proofing, retexturing and render repairs. In total the space added up to approximately 10,000m^2.

One of the reasons Higgins Coatings was chosen for this contract was our long list of completed projects in the far north of Australia, and our employment of local tradespeople.

Thanks to careful planning and time management, we were able to ensure that key milestones were met so that the resort could be opened on time and with minimal disruption for the customer.





"HIGGINS COATINGS PROVIDED A COST EFFECTIVE SOLUTION FOR COMPLETING THE REQUIRED WORK, CENTRED AROUND SPECIALISED ACCESS EQUIPMENT. HIGGINS COATINGS ALSO HAD THE EXPERTISE, RESOURCES AND WILLINGNESS TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO ENSURE THE PROJECT WAS A SUCCESS."

Darren Ridge
Higgins Coatings, Regional Manager QLD

After

Springwood Tower Hotel

Springwood Tower Hotel is an iconic 10-storey building in South Brisbane.

The hotel needed repainting with a new colour scheme to look modern and revitalised. Higgins Coatings organised the colour change and used a swing stage, abseil and elevated work platform to complete the paintwork. The customer was very happy with the end result.

Before







During



After







Before

Wyndham Resort

The Wyndham Resort in Torquay required a large internal overhaul of 59 luxury apartments within a 3-month time frame.

The Higgins Coatings team worked around the clock to tight deadlines to ensure that works did not adversely impact the resort's business operations or guest experience. We also worked in conjunction with other tradespeople and the project was ultimately completed to a 5-star standard.

Cruising Through **P&O Ship Revamp**

Carnival Australia engaged Higgins Coatings to carry out painting works to their staff amenities. Working on the P&O ships provided a unique opportunity to demonstrate the different types of projects and capabilities of the Higgins Coatings team, as well as our ability to quickly mobilise workers from around the country.

The team was at sea for 5-days, leaving from and returning to port in Sydney. Aside from the planned repainting and maintenance, there were reactive changes that needed to happen. Higgins Coatings performed above the expectations of our customer and still managed to complete the project within the required time frame. Naturally, the staff onboard the ship were thrilled to have their amenities upgraded and the finished project looks great. The customer was no less pleased, and Higgins Coatings has since been asked to carry out further projects for Carnival Australia on their P&O ships.



Education



“WHETHER OUR CUSTOMERS NEED SMALL AD-HOC WORK TO THEIR CAMPUSES, OR LONG-TERM AND COST EFFECTIVE MAINTENANCE SOLUTIONS, WE HAVE PROVEN OUR ABILITY TO MEET THE DEMANDS AND EXPECTATIONS OF THIS HIGHLY COMPETITIVE SECTOR.”



Flexible Schedule For Maintenance Contract

Sacred Heart College

Sacred Heart College is a long-term customer, and we're currently in the middle of a 6-year contract for maintenance work at the school.

Higgins Coatings has a strong reputation for flexible painting and maintenance work in the education industry. The contract that's in place with Sacred Heart College allows for flexibility, which means working with the college staff to assess what areas are in need of annual maintenance. As a result, the aesthetics of this high profile school are kept to a consistently high standard.

IC Central

IC Central was built 10 years ago, and it was the first building on the Innovation Campus at Wollongong University. Recently IC Central needed maintenance to its exterior, particularly the external structural steelwork. Higgins Coatings did the maintenance work and had the project completed in time for a major celebration event at the campus.









Rescuing SBRC From The Elements

The Sustainable Business Research Centre at the Innovation Campus, Wollongong University is set on a beautiful seaside location.

However, this has left it open to the elements, which have taken their toll on the external timber finishes. The team completely removed the previous coatings and applied new polyurethane finishes to rejuvenate the external timber appeal of the façades.



Largest Private School in WA

Located in Perth, St Stephen's School is the largest private school in Western Australia. It spans over 3 campuses and offers the most advanced educational facilities to its students.

The Early Learning Centre was in need of a full exterior refurbishment, which was to be completed during the September holiday period. The Higgins Coatings Perth team set about doing "whatever it takes" to ensure that the repaint was finished during the holidays, so that by the time the students returned, their campus had a vibrant new exterior – and the wonderful finish speaks for itself.

Getting Ready
For School



With our new builder's licence, Higgins Coatings was given the opportunity to undertake a full classroom refurbishment of the old Arts Room at Kildare College in Adelaide.

The Building Services Project Manager led the team of contractors on this project. The proposed scope of work needed to bring the classroom back to life was examined, and it was decided that the entire room had to be demolished. This included removing all of the joinery, sinks and lighting from the old classroom space.

A simple and effective building method was used to directly stick gyprock to the existing walls, and give a fresh new look with a quick turnaround. The classroom refurbishment took minimal fuss and was quickly transformed for the start of the new school year.

Before







Classroom Refurbishments Continue at **St Paul's College**

Higgins Coatings has been involved in numerous classroom refurbishments and was lucky enough once again to take on a large project at St Paul's College.

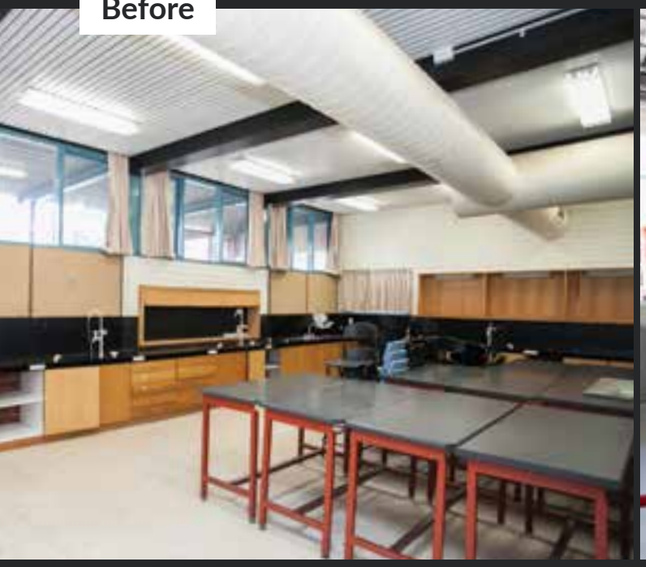
The aim of these refurbishments was to bring the classrooms up to a modern standard of education while providing a practical learning environment. As part of the refurbishment, all of the walls were recladded, new flooring was laid down, and many of the windows were extended to brighten the rooms and make them feel more open. More practical features were implemented too, such as installing high ventilation ceilings, up-to-date air conditioning units, and fixed joinery.

Lastly, our trade-qualified painters repainted the classroom spaces to give them a fresh look and feel. The new classrooms are now an enjoyable space for the teachers and students.

"ST PAUL'S COLLEGE HAS USED HIGGINS COATINGS TO REFURBISH MANY OF ITS EDUCATIONAL SPACES OVER THE PAST 7-YEARS. THEIR PROFESSIONALISM, TIMELINESS AND THE QUALITY OF THEIR WORKMANSHIP IS FIRST CLASS. THEY HAVE PROVIDED DESIGN ADVICE ON A NUMBER OF PROJECTS, WHICH HAS SAVED MONEY AND ENHANCED THE FINAL OUTCOME. THEY HAVE NEVER MISSED A DEADLINE, WHICH IS IMPORTANT GIVEN THE NEED TO MINIMISE CLASSROOM DOWNTIME. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO RECOMMEND THEIR SERVICES AND INVITE ANYONE TO COME AND SEE OUR FINISHED PRODUCTS."

Neville Atkinson, *Business Manager*

Before





After



A+ Facilities

For Childcare Centres Across Australia

Higgins Coatings has been working closely with Australia's largest and most respected childcare centres for many years. Most recently our Building Services team were thrilled to be involved in replacing and repairing the playground equipment across Australia.

Higgins Coatings provided hundreds of audits nationally to some of Australia's largest childcare providers. Following the submission of the audits, Higgins embarked on a national painting and playground upgrade project.

Each state had a dedicated Higgins Administrator, Building Services Manager and Project Manager who was ultimately responsible for the successful delivery of the works.

The refurbishment scope included:

- Comprehensive site audits
- Accurate detailed budgets
- Project management
- Playground design and construction
- Repairs to existing structures
- Repainting
- Landscaping
- Installation of soft fall surfaces
- Shade sail and sandpit cover supply/install

These works were carefully planned and implemented according to the original timeline that was proposed. There were also other minor reactive works that needed to be addressed along the way, but we were quick to resolve these challenges. With the expertise, professionalism and national resources to manage this project, our reliable teams across Australia came together to work within tight deadlines and deliver the painting and playground upgrades to the complete satisfaction of centre staff, parents and children.

PROJECT NAME:
Childcare Centres
(National Project)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
Higgins Coatings teams across Australia worked together to upgrade the playgrounds at childcare centres nationwide.

> "I WOULD LIKE TO THANK HIGGINS COATINGS FOR THEIR EFFORTS AND INVESTING THE APPROPRIATE RESOURCES INTO THIS PROJECT. I RELY ON STRONG CONTRACTOR RELATIONSHIPS TO UNDERTAKE THESE TASKS AND I FEEL WE ARE DEVELOPING THIS WELL SO FAR. I WILL BE CONTACTING YOUR TEAM SOON REGARDING SOME OTHER OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP... AND THIS IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE STANDARD OF WORKS SO FAR."
>
> **Safety and Facilities Manager**





Health



“HIGGINS COATINGS HAS BUILT A STRONG REPUTATION IN THE HEALTH SECTOR BASED ON OUR ABILITY TO SUCCESSFULLY DEAL WITH TIGHT TIME FRAMES, BUDGET CONSTRAINTS AND STRICT SAFETY REGULATIONS.”

Long Relationship With
Retirement Village

Set among Auckland's tranquil Wattle Downs on the Mahia Park Peninsula, Acacia Cove Retirement Village enjoys an enviable location. The Wattle Downs Golf and Country Club border one side of the village, and on the other side is a wildlife-filled estuary, so there's no shortage of great views and rewarding walks.

For the last 5-years, Higgins Coatings has been the preferred supplier for Acacia Cove's painting requirements. In that time we have painted villas, apartments (both interior and exterior), boundary fencing, interior common areas, pool area, the nurse's station, cafés, and administration.

During this time Higgins Coatings has developed a strong relationship with the village's management team, who are advocates for our exemplary services.

"WE HAVE ENJOYED HIGGINS COATINGS BEING PART OF OUR TEAM. THANK YOU!"

Village Manager,
Acacia Cove Retirement Village





Higgins Coatings
Transforms Retirement Village



Meath Care is an Aged Care Services provider that specialises in premium residential care and retirement village accommodation. Higgins Coatings was awarded an ongoing painting contract to annually maintain each of their facilities across 3 locations in metropolitan Perth.

Careful planning and solid communication are always essential to ensure that these types of projects are completed with minimal disruption to the staff and village residents. Higgins Coatings maintained a strong line of communication within the team, from Business Development Manager to the apprentice on site, so that everyone was kept informed. As a result we were able resolve any unexpected challenges that arose, ensuring the job ran smoothly.

Biala Community **Health Centre**

The Queensland Government Health Centre was in need of a repaint.

With the help of Higgins Coatings, a fresh colour scheme was chosen to rejuvenate the appearance of Biala Community Health Centre. The surrounding area was made exclusion zone and safety compliant so that the new paint could be sprayed and rolled on using abseil access. The whole project was completed before the deadline and to our customer's budget.





PROJECT NAME:

Biala Community Health Centre
Brisbane, Queensland

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Revival of the look of the Biala Community Health Centre in Brisbane by giving it a fresh new colour scheme.

Lendlease

The high quality results provided for Lendlease Retirement Living have been the basis for a strong new relationship.

Higgins Coatings just completed the first year of a 5-stage full external repaint of St Albans Park, one of Lendlease's retirement villages in Geelong. During this project, all boxes were ticked in terms of on site health and safety, as well as maintaining a high level of professionalism to deliver results to a high standard.

Our painters were well received by village staff and residents, and we look forward to completing the rest of the facelift in the coming years.

"THE HIGGINS COATINGS TEAM WAS VERY FRIENDLY AND PROFESSIONAL. ALL WORKS ON THE EXTERIOR SURFACES OF THE VILLAGE UNITS WERE OF A HIGH QUALITY, WITH EXCELLENT FINISHES. THEY MEET ALL THE ENVIRONMENTAL, HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS RELATING TO WORKING AT HEIGHTS IN SOME VERY DIFFICULT AREAS."











Word Of Mouth Work
For Higgins Coatings

The owner of the Pharmacy Guild Office in Melbourne witnessed the impressive results Higgins Coatings achieved on a similar local project.

The customer was unsure of the colour scheme they wanted to use for the Pharmacy Guild Office, so Higgins Coatings sent a colour consultant to provide ideas and a variety of mock visual designs.

Professional abseilers were used to ensure that all aspects of the paintwork were completed to the highest standard.

After the successful completion of the building exterior the job was extended to additional works on the car park as well. The Higgins Coatings team was mindful of the customer's traffic needs and worked solely on the weekend to complete the project.

New Construction



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OUR REPUTATION AND PROVEN TRACK RECORD IN NEW CONSTRUCTION HAS ALLOWED US TO WIN MAJOR CONTRACTS FOR BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS IN MANY DIFFERENT INDUSTRIES.

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Bright Colours For Government Primary Schools



The outer northern suburbs of Melbourne have expanded rapidly, and new government schools have been constructed to meet the demands of the area.

Higgins Coatings was contracted to bring these new learning environments to life, and works to Mernda South, Mernda Central and Harvest Home Primary School are now complete. The classrooms needed to be stimulating for the students, so they were painted with bright, abstract colours. Each school required about 1,500 litres of paint, and at any given time Higgins Coatings had 5 tradespeople working on each site. Thanks to their tireless efforts, the schools opened in time for the start of the new year.





Largest Children's Hospital
Prepares To Open



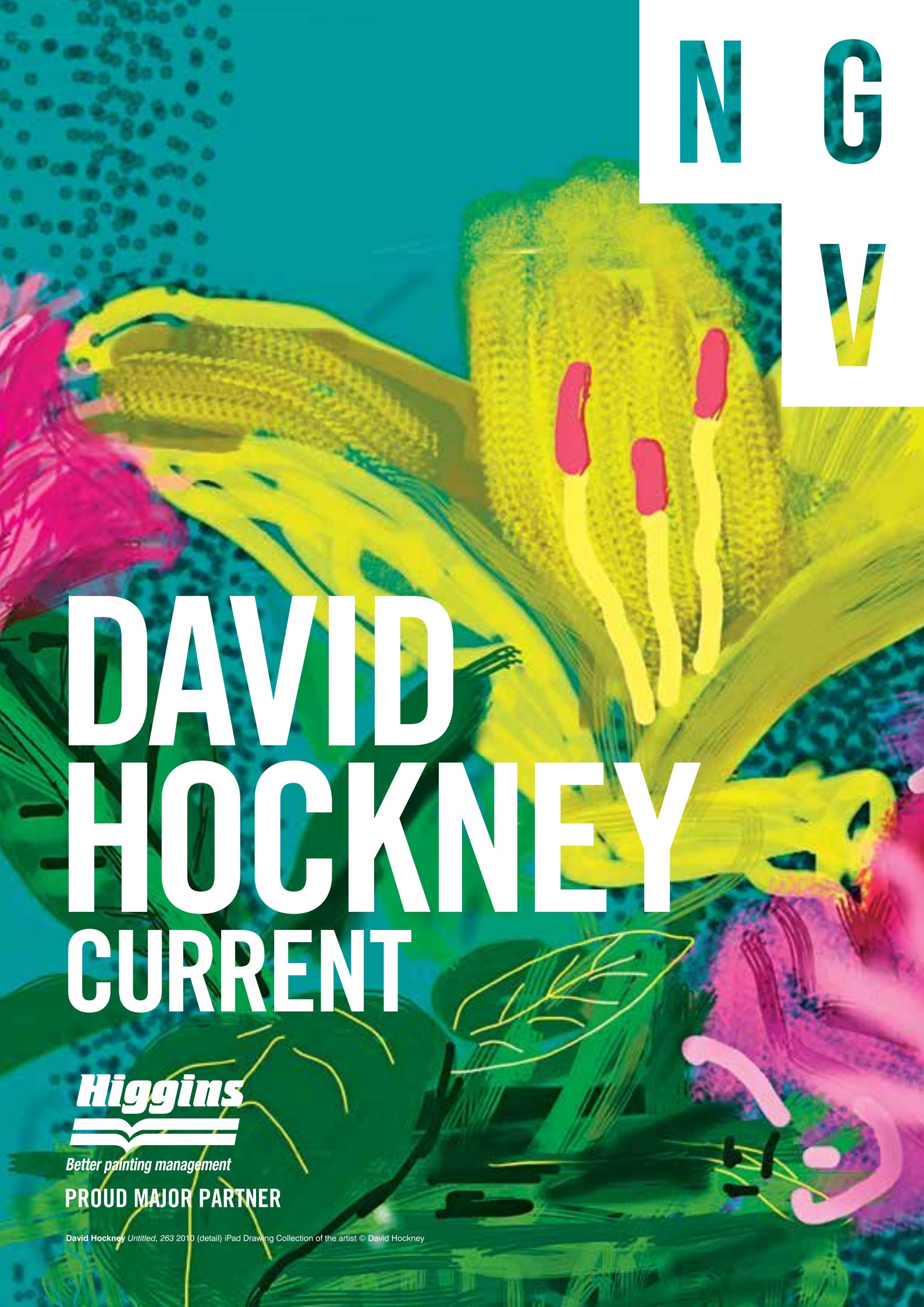






Monash Children's Hospital will be one of the largest children's hospitals in Australia and one of only 2 tertiary paediatric hospitals in Victoria.

For the last 10 months, Higgins Coatings has worked tirelessly on the new 230-bed Monash Children's Hospital in Clayton, Victoria. The scope of this project has been huge, requiring over 20,000 litres of enviro paint. However it has also been a very rewarding job and the team look forward to seeing it open in April 2017.



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David Hockney *Untitled, 263* 2010 (detail) iPad Drawing Collection of the artist © David Hockney