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CROWN WINS TOP INDUSTRY AWARD FOR RESORT-STYLE PROJECT

September 17, 2013 - Sydney-based property developer Crown Group has been awarded a top prize at this year's 2013 Master Builders Australia NSW Excellence in Housing Awards.

Crown Group took out the top award in the "Home Units 300-500" category for its resort-style development Top Ryde City Living.

Positioned on one of Sydney's most spectacular vantage points, Top Ryde City Living's high-quality finishes and cutting-edge design embody the building philosophy of Crown Group.

Top Ryde City Living features 653 apartments across seven buildings and after more than 90 per cent of the first four stages sold, has proved popular with owner occupiers and investors alike.

More than 500 residents have already moved in.

Designed to maximize views and to capture the light and gentle breezes, the development includes one, two and three bedroom apartments and penthouses.

Crown Group CEO, Iwan Sunito said the award for Top Ryde City Living was a resounding endorsement for Crown Group's work - in both design and construction.

Crown Group was proud to be recognised by the highly-respected industry body Master Builders Australia, Mr Sunito said.

The home units \$300 000 - \$500 000 category has the highest number of entrants at the awards.

"The MBA NSW Excellence in Housing awards are highly-competitive and we are honoured Crown's Top Ryde City Living has been named a winner in 2013," Mr Sunito said.

"It is testament to the meticulous attention to detail at Top Ryde City Living from the design phase and development phases through to construction and after-sales service."

Judges at the awards praised Crown Group's innovative design.

"Most of the apartments in this development are two or three bedroom with one car space. The finishes, including painting, tiling and render, are first class. The outside common areas are excellent and offer a pool, BBQ area and lush landscaping. A great effort," MBA Judges commented.



In addition, Top Ryde City Living was recently awarded the highly-coveted UDIA NSW President's award and UDIA NSW Awards for Excellence 2013 Best High-Density Development in NSW and ACT.

Mr Sunito said the award recognised Crown's success and growth from a relatively-small \$28 million project 17 years ago to a development pipeline worth \$3 Billion today, achieved without compromising the company's principle of good design.

"These awards are proof growth, quality and design excellence do not have to compete with one another, they can exist together," Mr Sunito said.

The \$500 million project features impressive foyers and generous landscaping -- with a gym, pool, media theatrettes, music room, children's playground, library, indoor and outdoor function areas and viewing platforms.

The final residential stage at Top Ryde City Living, **Viva by Crown** was launched on August 31.

Visit the **Viva by Crown** display suite at:

Shop 3019, Top Ryde City Shopping Centre
Corner of Devlin Street & Blaxland Road, Ryde
(Ground Floor next to the Post Office)

The display suite is open Monday to Saturday 9am – 5pm and Sunday 10am – 5pm.

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About Crown Group

Crown International Holdings Group (Crown Group) is a leading Australian property group, active in property development and property investment in Sydney.

The company was co-founded by architect Mr Iwan Sunito and engineer Mr Paul Sathio in 1996.

Iwan Sunito graduated with Bachelor of Architecture (Hons) and Master of Construction of Management from University of NSW. In 1993 Iwan became a Registered Architect in NSW and was awarded the UNSW Eric Daniels award for excellence in residential design.

Paul Sathio graduated with a Bachelor degree in Civil Engineering from University of Technology Sydney (UTS) and a Masters of Engineering Science from University of NSW.



Paul has more than two decades' experience in the construction and development industry.

Crown Group has received a number of awards over the years including the Master Builders Association Excellence in Housing award 2012 for its innovative, waterfront development Sanctum by Crown and the HIA (Housing Industry Association) CSR Housing Awards 2007 Apartment Project of the Year for the hugely-successful ICON at Homebush.

Most recently, Crown Group was awarded best High-Density Development in NSW and ACT at The Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) NSW awards for excellence 2013 for its resort-style development Top Ryde City Living and the Group's joint venture with Prosha Pty Ltd, The Eastlakes Town Centre was awarded best Concept Design at the same awards.

Since the company was founded 17 years ago, Crown Group has successfully completed major developments in Sydney's best locations including Bondi, Bondi Junction, Parramatta, Ashfield, Epping, Homebush, Newington, Pennant Hills and Rhodes.

Today, Crown Group boasts a \$3 billion portfolio of projects under development and in the pipeline and is currently developing four major projects, **Top Ryde City Living**, a seven-tower development in Top Ryde, **Viking by Crown**, a 10-storey residential complex in Waterloo, **V by Crown**, a 27-storey residential tower in Parramatta and **Skye by Crown** a 20-storey development in North Sydney launched in June 2013.

Viva by Crown, the final stage of Top Ryde City Living was launched on August 31.

Crown Group plans to launch a residential tower on **Clarence Street** in Sydney's CBD in 2014.

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