

Summer Edition Newsletter



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This 2024 Summer Edition features Toolkits for the built environment

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Great Public Spaces Toolkit

The NSW Government's Great Public Spaces Toolkit has all the elements for anyone interested in public space. It's a collection of free resources to support local government, state agencies, industry and the community. The Great Public Spaces Toolkit includes: A four page Fact Sheet about the Evaluation Tool which has four key questions: Am I able to get there? Am ...

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1000 Play Streets Toolkit

The play street movement has taken off and councils across Australia are taking an interest. Play streets are run by residents for a few hours at quiet times of day. They can be weekly, fortnightly or monthly, or even one-off events. Regular times bring the best results for creating connection, and it's all explained in the 1000 Play Streets Toolkit. ...

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Placemaking Toolkit

Designing public space is not only for trained professionals. Because the Placemaking Toolkit shows how community groups and residents can do their own place make-over. The Toolkit is for community-driven, low-cost public space transformation. With the support of local government anyone can change a neglected space in their neighbourhood into a clean and safe play area or park. This Guide ...

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Social Value Toolkit for architecture

Design impacts both social and economic value to a community, but how do you measure and track it? The RIBA Social Value Toolkit has the answer. The Toolkit makes it easy to evaluate and demonstrate the impact of design on people and communities. A research project by the University of Reading provided the evidence for the Toolkit. "If we cannot ...

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Age friendly cities toolkit

The World Health Organization has updated their resources on age-friendly cities and communities and added a toolkit. In 2007 the Age Friendly Cities and Communities (AFCC) program was rolled out. A Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities followed in 2010. The strength of the program was an early form of co-design with older people in local communities. That is, it promoted ...

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Universal park design toolkit

The Universal Park Design Series is a toolkit which has sections on entries, playgrounds, trails and green spaces. The interior spaces section deals with buildings and facilities such as rest rooms and kiosks. It covers basic access features but goes into more detail to provide a universal design approach. The toolkit is a step-by-step guide for landscape professionals. The Easter ...

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Inclusive Design Toolkit for designers

The Inclusive Design Toolkit has proved to be an invaluable tool for designers since it's inception in 2007. The updated version includes the exclusion calculator which shows how many potential users might be excluded. This makes it a great toolkit for designers in any field. The news bulletin from the Engineering Design Centre that produces the Toolkit and other resources ...

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Smart Cities for All Toolkit

How smart can a smart city be? 'Smart' is everything from the footpath to the website. So not so smart if it doesn't include everyone and join the dots between all the factors that make a city a city. With digital transformations happening worldwide, the aim of the Smart Cities for All Toolkit is to eliminate the digital divide and ...

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Housing Adaptations Design Toolkit

The Housing Adaptations Design Toolkit comes from Northern Ireland and is focused on government departments collaborating for good social housing outcomes. The aim is to integrate services to promote independent living. The Department of Communities and the Department of Health collaborated in the development of the toolkit. Housing adaptations are a key element in supporting independent living. The other three ...

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Introduction to Universal Design: free online course

Introduction to Universal Design online course is in visual, audio and text formats and there are quick quizzes at the end of each module. This course is good for newcomers to the concepts and a refresher for others. There's a certificate at the end.

Get started on the Introduction to Universal Design course! It will take less than an hour.

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[Livable Housing Design course](#)

This short course is tailor-made for professionals in the housing and home mods sectors seeking an understanding of the NCC requirements for Livable Housing Design Standard. It delves into the technical details of both the new standard and the enhanced standard. The enhanced standard, similar to the Gold level of Livable Housing Design Guidelines, is good for anyone doing home modifications, or thinking about it.

Newsletter readers are entitled to a \$20 discount using the code **NEWS20**.

CUDA presents this course under licence from the Australian Building Codes Board.

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Save the date: 30 May 2024, Brisbane. CUDA's Connecting People and Places with Universal Design: Queensland leading the way. A half day symposium: Leveraging Queensland's work on housing, transport and tourism for a legacy of inclusion - beyond Brisbane 2032.

Save the date: UD2024 will be held in Oslo, Norway, 20-22 November 2024. The title is, "Universal Design: Shaping a Sustainable, Equitable and Resilient Future!"
Diversity, Inclusion in Leisure Forum 8 February 2024 Melbourne. The Victorian Aquatic Industry has developed Diversity and Inclusion in Leisure Forum in response to advance Diversity, Equity ...

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