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Paul Vick architects shortlisted for RIBA London Regional Awards



A school theatre and ICT Centre by Paul Vick architects has been shortlisted for the prestigious RIBA London Regional Awards – the first heat of the Stirling Prize.

Regeneration of a global society in the communication and knowledge age is something referred to abstractly but not always well understood let alone applied properly. It is relevant across industry and inside and outside our formal learning institutions.

The building, a studio theatre (for student and professional use), ICT and sixth form centre was commissioned by a West London school. The brief was to provide a building to support the school's specialism of communications. It engages a student base of 900 girls, 50 different ethnic groups many of whom are first generation from abroad and has 50 languages spoken.

This is clearly an institution transforming lives and one that is itself transforming. Gordon Brown, Boris Johnson and David Cameron all used the school as a platform pre-election.

'We saw this challenge as no less than C21st response to the Tower of Babel. A subtle identity was created for the building as well as developing a new building type for public and private enjoyment – while working within a very tight budget. This is an architecture of engagement, joy, pupil control and ultimately freedom. We are so proud to have this achievement recognised by the RIBA.' Paul Vick commented.

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Theatre for Brentford School for Girls has also been featured in: World Architecture News.

