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Donhead Wins Major Book Award

Donhead Publishing's recent publication on Stone Conservation is the winning book in the RIBA International Book Award for Construction 2007.

Stone Conservation: Principles and Practice, edited by Alison Henry won The Sir Robert McAlpine International Book Award for Construction, announced at an awards ceremony on Wednesday night which took place at the Naval and Military Club, London.

This award recognises exceptional writing on the construction and restoration of buildings, building design and building methods, and the use of new materials and technologies across the construction industry. It is supported by RIBA Bookshops with media partner *Building Magazine*.



Max Fordham, jury chair said about the winning title:

Here is a book which is both specialist and technical, an edited collection of pieces with a message. 'Stone Conservation' is a winner because it fits the brief; it is about building construction, conservation and refurbishment. Above all of this there is a passionate dedication to the topic which, although it is a collection of pieces by different authors, shines out through proper writing.

Judges for The Sir Robert McAlpine International Book Award for Construction were: Will Alsop, architect; Max Fordham, Principal of Max Fordham LLP, building services engineers (Chair); Alan Powers, author and lecturer; Jeremy Till, architect and Professor of Architecture and Director of Architectural Studies at the University of Sheffield; and Liz Walder, Communications Manager for RIBA London.

In her acceptance speech Jill Pearce, Managing Editor and Publisher said:

I think it is tremendous that Sir Robert McAlpine and the RIBA have come together to sponsor and launch this award for the first time in 2007, and we are really delighted to be its first recipient. This is not glamorous publishing, but it is extremely important and worthwhile, and for a book on conservation to be recognized in this way is a major achievement for this highly specialist field.

More information about the book, *Stone Conservation*, is available on our website www.donhead.com/stone_conservation.htm
For further details, including photographs of the award ceremony and images of the book please email dorothy@donhead.com

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