

South West Lot, Sydney Exhibition & Entertainment Precinct 2013, Lend Lease



Central Courtyard

This vast roof area private communal park united an unusual block form and resulting building layout into an engaging landscape space. The overall layout incorporates a primary central communal lawn and a series of secondary opportunity spaces for individuals and small groups.

A circuitous strolling path curves around extensively planted island garden beds, BBQ and sheltered picnic areas, a large pool area and a series of deliberately framed view lines to large flowering trees and outlook areas taking in the landscape beyond the site boundary.

The pool area is set out such that it is screened from surrounding areas when users are seated or swimming but takes in the greater landscape from a standing position. This is achieved by the selection and location of plant species to the pool perimeter. The pool fence has been diluted by locating it amongst planting and breaking it down with the insertion of non-climbable raised planter elements.

A community meeting room, toilette and change facilities and an outdoor gym area are also included in the design layout and woven through mounded beds of lush planting and timber, concrete and recycled brick bench seating edges.



Art Sketch of Central Couryard



Kniphofia 'Royal Standard'