

Interior designers descending on KL

Experts to share experience and inspirations at REKA conference

A PANEL of award-winning international designers from France, Australia, the United Kingdom and Malaysia will be in Kuala Lumpur this Saturday to share their experiences and inspirations at the REKA Conference to be held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre from 10am to 6pm.

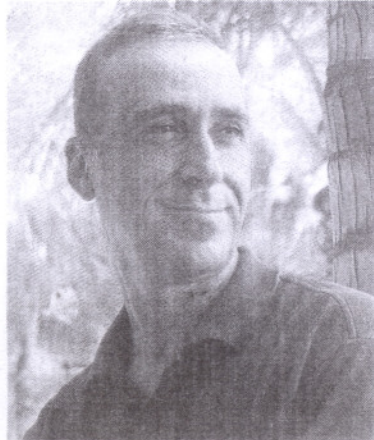
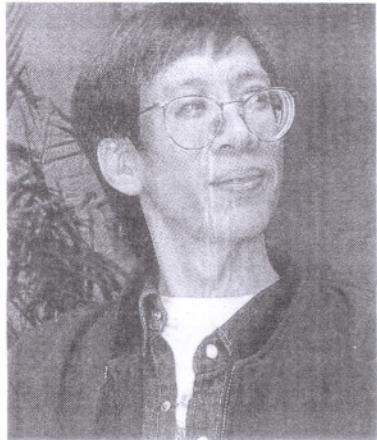
The REKA conference is Malaysia's inaugural International Interior Design Conference featuring the theme of "Design Diversity".

The speakers will present their work and share their views on their different approaches and philoso-

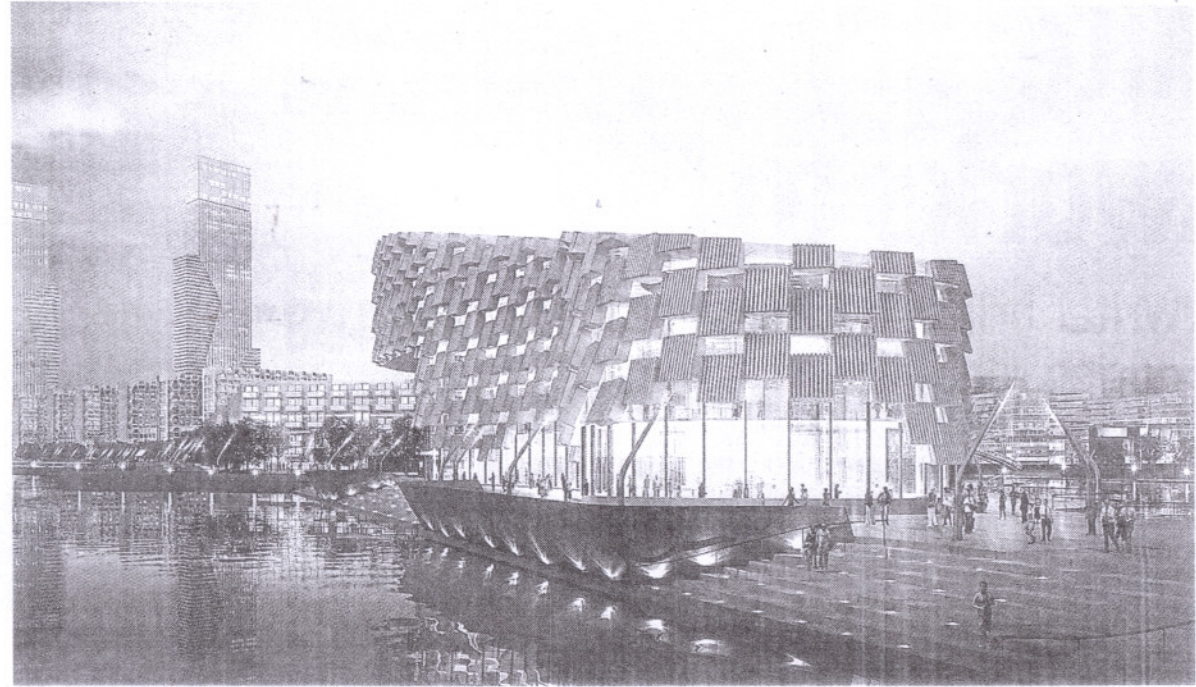
phies that they have used to innovate and find unique design solutions.

They include Vincent Koh of Environment Design Consultants, renowned for their hospitality, corporate and retail works; Philippe Villeroux, a French designer with a penchant for overwater resorts; William Harald-Wong, a Malaysian urban identity designer; Jan van Schaik, the co-director of the Melbourne-based MsV Architects; and Martin Haeger, the director of HL Design.

The convener and moderator of the conference is Dr Tan Loke Mun,



Learn from professionals: Harald-Wong (left) and Villeroux will share their experiences with conference participants.



Interesting design: Night view of Green Island Boutique Hotel looking south west by Jan van Schaik.

director of Archicentre and adjunct professor at UPM, who is also a past president of the Malaysian Institute of Architects and a pioneer of the Malaysia Green Building Index, which is the country's official green certification tool.

"It has been a long wait for Malaysia's interior designers to have a truly international Interior Design Conference," said Malaysian Institute of Interior Designers (MIID) president Ronnie Choong.

"Since the profession began back

in the early 70s, the number of professionals engaged in the field of Interior Design has grown tremendously cumulating in the legislation of the profession in 2007.

"With the growing importance of the profession, there has been a need to provide a platform for interior designers to be exposed to the creative thinking and design philosophies behind the minds of the great interior designers and architects from around the world.

"We hope this conference will

set a benchmark for interior design conferences around the world, where participants will gain immensely from the different approaches and philosophies shared by talented award-winning and up-and-coming designers from around the globe."

Registration is RM150 for MIID and PAM members, RM50 for students and RM200 for others.

The registration form can be downloaded from www.miid.org.my