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# Designer knows her way round a kitchen

FOR TAFE Queensland Gold Coast graduate Katia Slogrove it's a case of if you can't stand the heat, redesign the kitchen.

The interior designer from Arundel, recently picked up four trophies at the recent Designers Institute's annual awards in Adelaide event along with the coveted title of KBDi Australian Designer of the Year 2017.

"This has been a dream of mine for quite some time. Year after year I have sat and watched Australian designers be acknowledged for their work," Ms Slogrove said.

"I'm incredibly thankful and feel very honoured to have won. I hope to inspire new designers that are coming through the industry to be brave and bold," she said.

Ms Slogrove has spent the last 10 years working as a professional interior designer specialising in the areas of residential, high end residential, commercial and retail design.

Katia entered two kitchen designs on the night, a Small Kitchen design and a Medium Kitchen design. The judges were impressed with both, calling her small kitchen design ultra-functional, uber-cool and

'packed a great deal of punch in to a very small space'.

It was, however, the Medium Kitchen entry, that really won the panel over. The designer's magnificent response to an extravagant client brief wowed the judges, who summed up the kitchen design as 'bold, brave and full of bling'.

Katia was awarded Designer — Small Kitchens QLD, Medium Kitchens QLD, KBDi Kitchen Designer of the Year and Australian Designer of the Year.

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Gold Coast TAFE student Katia Slogrove has cleaned up at the Designer Institute's annual awards, picking up four prestigious award bases on her kitchen designs.