KENNETH HUNT GARDEN

Project delivery: 2012 | External Partners: ASPECT Studios, PTA Landscapes, Wallbridge & Gillbert, in collaboration with Monash University







Located between engineering buildings in the north of Clayton campus, the Kenneth Hunt Garden underwent expansion and redesign in 2012. Named after the first Dean of Engineering who supervised its original design in 1975 as an English Style garden, it provides a strong contrast to the native landscape preference for the campus.

The central tree is grown from a cutting of the original 'Newton Apple Tree' from which Sir Isaac Newton reportedly observed an apple fall, inspiring him to formulate his theories of motion and gravity.

Pathways and sculptural seating sweep around the significant tree and provide beautiful views from the adjoining spaces. Barbecues and seating are highly utilised by students and staff for passive recreation. An underground water tank supplies the garden with harvested rainwater.

The adjacent Hargrave-Andrew Library and Engineering Buildings overlook the garden while the recently renovated XO Dining (ground floor of Hargrave-Andrew Library) provides additional services and amenity for the garden's visitors.

Location

Engineering precinct, Clayton Campus



Awards

2013 Victorian Landscape Awards High commendation for Commercial Landscape Construction under \$500,000

Images

- 1 Sweeping pathways around the garden.
- 2 Integrated signage and seating.
- 3 The Garden provides beautiful views from the adjoining buildings

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