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John Simpson Collection

Size	19 architectural drawing folders, 2 tubes, 11 albums, 2 boxes, 2 parcels, 1 architectural model
Contents	Architectural drawings, photographic negatives, slides and prints, architectural project files, personal papers and newspaper cuttings, 1 architectural model
Date range	1975 – c2013
Biography	<p>John Simpson worked as an architect and then founding partner with John Andrews Architect in Toronto from 1963 until 1972 before becoming founding director of the Australian-based practice of John Andrews International. After settling in Brisbane in 1983 he founded John Simpson Associates Pty Limited. He designed the River Stage for Expo 88 in Brisbane, and the Entertainment Piazza for the South Bank Corporation in 1991. His work for The University of Queensland included the Hawken Engineering Building, the General Purpose Social Sciences Building, the Chemical Engineering Building, the Ritchie Research Laboratories and the Sir Zelman Cowan Building. From 1995, as John Simpson Architect, Simpson specialised in strategic and tactical architectural planning and urban design services. In this period he was appointed master planner for Brisbane's South Bank. In 1997 Simpson was awarded the silver medal for Queensland Architect of the Year, and in 2000 was granted life fellowship of the Royal Australian Institute of Architects. John Simpson holds honorary doctorates from Queensland University of Technology and The University of Queensland.</p>
Notes	Unrestricted access except for certain documents in Parcel 2. Application for access to restricted material can be submitted to the Fryer Librarian for consideration.

Series 1: Architectural Drawings

Folder 1

Adrian Slinger Galleries, New Farm, job number 9209

16 drawings, 1992 to 1993

Alterations to Residence of the Consulate General of Japan, Fig Tree Pocket Road, job number unknown

3 drawings, May 1990

Banksia, job number unknown

4 drawings, c1990

Folder 2

Brisbane City Council, Brisbane Administration Centre Redevelopment, job number 9204

14 drawings, 1992

Folder 3

Brisbane City Council, Brisbane Administrative Centre Redevelopment, tender issue, Brisbane City Council job number 0170

25 drawings, Aug to Sep 1992

Folder 4

Brunswick Street Station Upgrade [Queensland Rail], job number 9307

1 drawing, Jun 1995

BSES [Bureau of Sugar Experimental Stations], New Laboratory, Indooroopilly, job number 9010

14 drawings, Dec 1990 to Nov 1992

Cannon Park Hotel Redevelopment, Cairns, job number 8915

9 drawings, Feb to Mar 1990

Folder 5

Catherin Bull and Dennis Gibson Apartment Refurbishment, job number 9211

6 drawings, Feb 1993

Environmental Community Training Centre, Camp Warrawee, job number 9303

2 drawings, 28 Apr 1993

Griffith University Carpark, job number 8823

10 drawings, May to Jun 1989

Henderson House, Kilmorey Street, Carindale, job number 8804

24 drawings, May to Aug 1988

Folder 6

Herston Retail Development, Bowen Bridge Road, Herston, job number 8825
2 drawings, May 1988

Howard Smith Wharf, job number 9400
18 drawings, c1994

Ipswich City Council Library/Community Information Centre, job number 9301
18 early drawings, 1993

Folder 7

Ipswich City Council Library/Community Information Centre, job number 9301
Schedule of abbreviations and final 20 drawings, Oct to Nov 1993

Folder 8

Mr and Mrs Moore's Proposed Residence, Queen Street, Caloundra, job number 9305
23 sketches and drawings, May 1993
2 sheets of 9 photographic prints showing Queen Street site, c1993

Folder 9

Perry Park Development, job number 9012
Document of brief and 8 drawings, Feb 1991

Q.T.A.C. Tenancy, 33 Park Road, Milton, job number 8910
1 drawing, Jul 1989

Queensland Clunies Ross Centre, Eight Mile Plains, job number unknown
19 sketches and drawings, c1990s

Folder 10

Queensland Rail Maintenance Facility, Mayne, job number 9256
22 sketches and drawings, Oct to Dec 1995

Queensland Sporting Museum and Hall of Fame, job number 9423

16 drawings, Apr 1995

Folder 11

[QUT]: Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Carseldine campus, [various buildings], job numbers CD, 01CD, 02CD, 03CD, CD08, CD10, CD11, SK1, 8412, 8602

28 sketches and drawings, Apr 1986 to Jan 1990

[QUT]: Business Faculty Building, Gardens Point Campus, job number unknown

38 sketches and drawings, c1995

Folder 12

[QUT]: Health Nursing Stage 1, Kelvin Grove Campus, job number 9008

27 sketches and drawings, Sep 1990

[QUT]: Information Technology Engineering Building, [Gardens Point campus], job number 8824

39 sketches and drawings, Feb to Jun 1990

Folder 13

[QUT]: Kelvin Grove Campus Plan, job number unknown

31 sketches and drawings, Mar 1990 to 1991

[QUT]: Kelvin Grove Hall of Residence, job number 9309

11 sketches and drawings, Jan 1994

Folder 14

[QUT]: Multi-Purpose Teaching and Administration Building, Kelvin Grove Campus, job number 9101

21 drawings, Nov to Dec 1991

[QUT]: Proposed Arts Complex, Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Kelvin Grove Campus, job number unknown

2 drawings, Dec 1984

[QUT]: Proposed Gymnasium Complex, Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Kelvin Grove Campus, job number unknown

2 drawings, c1984

[QUT]: Public Relations & Development Office and D.S.T.C. Fitout, Level 12, I.T.E. Building, [Gardens Point campus], job number 9212

1 drawing, Mar 1993

[QUT]: University Reception Centre, Level 12, I.T.E. Building, [Gardens Point campus], job number 9202

4 drawings, Jan to Jun 1993

Railway Workshops, North Ipswich, Preliminary Study, University Campus, job number unknown

1 sketch, nd

Robina Child Care Centre, job number unknown

5 sketches and drawings, Dec 1990

Folder 15

South Bank Entertainment Piazza, job number 71

25 sketches, Nov 1990

14 preliminary drawings, Apr to May 1991

South Bank Entertainment Piazza, job number 71

10 drawings, May 1991

1 seating layout drawing, Feb 1992

Folder 16

State Government Office Building, Bolsover Street, Rockhampton, job number 9102

35 early sketches and drawings, Sep 1991

State Government Office Building, Bolsover Street, Rockhampton, job number 9102

23 final drawings, Mar 1992

Folder 17

Taringa Townhouses, Hillsdon Road, job number 9001
1 drawing, Jan 1990

Tugun Hotel Redevelopment Stage 2, job number 8913
9 drawings, Nov 1989

[UNE]: Resource Management Building Stage 2, University of New England, job number 9306
11 drawings, Aug to Sep 1994

Folder 18

[UQ]: General Purpose Social Sciences Building, University of Queensland, job number 9302
15 drawings and 2 sketches, Sep to Dec 1993

[UQ]: Hawken Engineering Building Link to Civil Engineering Building, University of Queensland,
[UQ] job number 92073
1 drawing, May 1992

[UQ]: New Engineering Building [Hawken Engineering Building], University of Queensland, job
number 8603
35 drawings, Jun to Aug 1987

Folder 19

[UQ]: University of Queensland Consequential Works, Social Sciences Building, job number 9505
3 drawings, Aug 1995

[UQ]: [University of Queensland Consequential Works], U of Q Commerce Building, job number
9505
3 drawings, May 1995

[UQ]: University of Queensland Consequential Works, Zelman Cowan Building, job number 9505
5 drawings, Aug to Nov 1995

[USQ]: Lecture Theatre Building, University of Southern Queensland, job number unknown

11 sketches, 6 sheets with drawings attached, nd

Tube 1

Camp Hill Bowls Club, Club House Refurbishment, job number 9406

6 drawings, 1994

Tube 2 (oversized)

Queensland Rail Design Development of Central Station, job number unknown

6 sketches and drawings, 1980s

[QUT]: Multi-Purpose Teaching Building, [Kelvin Grove campus], job number 8801

27 sketches and drawings, Mar 1988

Brisbane SES Unit Southbank Planning Map, 31 Mar 2006

Series 2: Photographs

Album 1

Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Carseldine Campus, Resource Centre / Expressive Arts Building

Digital images (on CD), negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing a scale model of the building and the building under construction and completed, 1985 to 1991

131 photographs, 41 negatives and positive transparencies, 107 slides

Album 2

Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Carseldine Campus

Negatives, slides and prints showing architectural drawings and a scaled model for an unidentified building at Carseldine and the building completed, c1981

University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba Campus, Lecture Theatre Building

Slides showing the building completed, nd

University of New England, Armidale Campus, Resource Management Building Stage 2
Slides showing completed building, c1996

Central Railway Station, Brisbane

Slides showing station precinct after reconstruction completed, c1980s

Brisbane Central Business District, Buildings and Streetscapes

Slides showing buildings and streetscapes in the Brisbane CBD, c1990s

Rockhampton Central Business District, Buildings and Streetscapes

Slides showing buildings and streetscapes in the Rockhampton CBD, c1990s

12 photographs, 7 negatives and positive transparencies, 361 slides

Album 3

Endeavour Place, Endeavour Foundation, Bowen Hills

Negatives, contact sheets and slides showing the completed building, 1989 to 1991

Activity Therapy Centre, Endeavour Foundation, Kingston

1 copy of the drawing of the building's north elevation and floor plan, nd

Mailing and Printing Workshop, Endeavour Foundation

Copies of architectural drawings for the building and prints showing the completed building, nd

Hostel, Endeavour Foundation, Brigalow Street, Paddington, Brisbane

Copies of architectural drawings for the building, and contact sheets, slides and prints showing the completed building, 1991

71 photographs, 52 negatives and positive transparencies, 96 slides

Album 4

Queensland University of Technology, Health Nursing Building, Kelvin Grove Campus

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing the completed building, 1992

Queensland University of Technology, Multi-Purpose Teaching and Administration Building, Kelvin Grove Campus

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing the completed building, 1993

Griffith University, School of Australian Environmental Studies Building, Nathan Campus

Contact sheets and prints showing architectural drawings of the building and the building after completion, 1984

108 photographs, 25 negatives and positive transparencies, 114 slides

Album 5

Queensland University of Technology, Information Technology Engineering Building, Gardens Point Campus

Negatives, contact sheets, proofs, slides and prints showing a scale model of the building and the completed building, 1992

Kelvin Grove College of Advanced Education, Educational Resource Centre

Contact sheets and a print showing the completed building, 1984

61 photographs, 50 negatives and positive transparencies, 180 slides

Album 6

Queensland University of Technology, Strategic Planning Review, Kelvin Grove Campus

Copies and slides of architectural drawings for the design of Kelvin Grove Campus. Includes 1 slide showing Bond University, c1990

Queensland University of Technology, Multi-Purpose Art Building, Kelvin Grove Campus

Copies of architectural drawings for the building, c1984

Garden Island Parking Structure, Woolloomooloo Bay, Sydney

Copies of architectural drawings for the structure, nd

River Stage, World Expo 88, Brisbane

Negatives, slides and prints showing a scale model of the structure and the structure after completion; copies of architectural drawings for the structure; various postcards and brochures about the River Stage and Expo 88 produced during the event, 1987 to 1988

32 photographs, 26 negatives and positive transparencies, 72 slides

Album 7

South Bank Entertainment Piazza, South Bank Corporation

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing a scale model of the Piazza and the building after construction, 1992

72 photographs, 48 negatives and positive transparencies, 106 slides

Album 8

South Bank Corporation Slide Presentation, 'The Future for Urban Planning and Design: A Look at Public Infrastructure in Cities Outside Australia' 49 slides, 1996.

[This presentation presented the findings of a study tour to Europe and the United States undertaken in 1996 by John Simpson, South Bank Corporation Chairman Steven Wilson, Board member Michael Kerry and Chief Executive Officer Bill Grant. The goal was to collect information and ideas to inform the master plan for South Bank.]

South Bank, Brisbane

Slides showing design drawings for South Bank, and artists' impressions and scale models of particular features of South Bank, c1996

Altogether 164 slides

Album 9

University of New England, Resource Management Building Stage 2, Armidale Campus

Negatives, contact sheets and slides showing a scale model of the building, 1994

Ipswich City Council, Library / Community Information Centre

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing architectural drawings and artists' impressions of the building, and the building after completion, 1994

Brisbane City Council, Redevelopment of Upper and Lower Plazas, Brisbane Administration Centre

Contact sheets, slides and prints showing architectural drawings of the plaza structures, and the structures after completion, 1994

50 photographs, 15 negatives and positive transparencies, 227 slides

Album 10

The University of Queensland, Hawken (New Engineering) Building, St Lucia Campus

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints showing architectural drawings and a scale model of the building, and the building after completion, 1991

The University of Queensland, New Chemical Engineering Building, St Lucia Campus

Slides and prints showing the building after completion, 1990s

140 photographs, 26 negatives and positive transparencies, 240 slides

Album 11

The University of Queensland, Residential Conference Centre and Graduate School of Management, St Lucia Campus

Negatives, slides and prints showing architectural drawings, artists' impressions and a scale model of the building, c1991

The University of Queensland, Ritchie Research Laboratories, St Lucia Campus

A negative, slides and prints showing a scale model of the building, and the building after completion, c1989

Farr House, Bardon, Brisbane

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints of the completed house, 1991

Włodarczyk House, Chelmer, Brisbane

Negatives, contact sheets, slides and prints of the completed house, 1991

Mt Coot-tha Tower Project, Brisbane

Two slides showing a scale model of the building, c1987

Hotel and Reception Centre, Nathan, Brisbane

Negatives, contact sheets and prints of a scale model of the building, nd

Local Government Association of Queensland, Local Government House, Brisbane

Negatives and prints of the completed building, nd

86 photographs, 58 negatives and positive transparencies, 127 slides

Series 3: Project Documents and Journal Articles

Box 1

Folder 1

Brisbane City Council, Redevelopment of Upper and Lower Plazas, Brisbane Administration Centre

Descriptive summary with copies of architectural drawings, and portfolio of artist impressions, 1993 to 1994

Global Arts Link Ipswich, Adaptive Re-use of the Old Town Hall

Expressions of Interest No. 139/96/97, submitted by Brisbane City Enterprises in association with John Simpson Architect, 7 May 1997

Ipswich City Council, Library / Community Information Centre

Descriptive summary with copies of architectural drawings, c1994

Folder 2

The Merlin Hotel, Perth, Western Australia

Review of the building published in *Architecture Australia*, A4 copies of drawings and photographs reproduced in *Architecture Australia* journal, colour photocopies of photographs, copies of drawings on photographic paper, A3 copies of design drawings from BFA/HWA Design Consultants, and other records relating to the project, 1983 to 1988

Folder 3

Mt Coot-tha Tower Project, Brisbane

Published summary including design drawings, a short descriptive summary and a copy of one architectural drawing, c1987

Hotel and Reception Centre, Nathan, Brisbane

Descriptive summary and photographic prints of 6 architectural drawings, nd

Cannon Park Hotel Redevelopment, Cairns

Descriptive summary

Folder 4

[QUT]: Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Carseldine Campus, Resource Centre / Expressive Arts Building

Preliminary sketches and publications containing references to the building's nomination for architectural awards, c1985 to 1991

Folder 5

[QUT]: Kelvin Grove College of Advanced Education, Educational Resource Centre

Design report, descriptive summary, overhead projections showing drawings, publication and newspaper cuttings with references to the building, 1976 to 1981

[QUT]: Queensland University of Technology, Kelvin Grove Campus Masterplanning Study, Aug 1997 [2 copies with annotations]

Folder 6

[QUT]: Queensland University of Technology, Information Technology Engineering Building, Gardens Point Campus

Descriptive summaries and publications referring to the building, 1992

Folder 7

[QUT]: Queensland University of Technology, Multi-Purpose Teaching and Administration Building, Kelvin Grove Campus

Descriptive summaries, copies of drawings and lists of contractors, 1994

[QUT]: QUT Northbank River Edge

Concept Plan Report prepared by Tract Consultants Pty Ltd and John Simpson, May 2003

Folder 8

Scarborough College, University of Toronto

Design report for Phase II (a), background Notes compiled for a press visit by the university's department of information, and photographs, 1965

Public Housing, Little Bay, Sydney

Drawings on photographic paper, one photograph and an article from Architecture Australia, 1980s

Intelsat Headquarters, Washington DC

Article from Architecture Australia, Jan 1988

Document outlining John Simpson's credentials and ideas for developing a master plan for Kelvin Grove campus of the Brisbane College of Advanced Education, and copies of drawings of buildings on campus and the campus layout, 1980s

Folder 9

South Bank Entertainment Piazza

Descriptive summaries, brochures and correspondence regarding the project and its nomination in the 1993 BOMA Awards, the 1993 Australian Institute of Australia's Awards for Excellence and the 1993 BHP Australian Steel Awards. Articles and copies of journals, 1992 to 1993

Folder 10

[UQ]: The University of Queensland, General Purpose Social Sciences Building, St Lucia Campus
Descriptive summary, design brief and copies of drawings, 1993

Folder 11

[UQ]: The University of Queensland, Hawken (New Engineering) Building, St Lucia Campus
Descriptive summaries, 1986 to 1989

Folder 12

[UQ]: The University of Queensland, New Chemical Engineering Building, St Lucia Campus
Descriptive summary, overhead projections showing drawings, publications, 1977 to 1987

Folder 13

[UQ]: The University of Queensland, Residential Conference Centre and Graduate School of Management, St Lucia Campus

Descriptive summaries and a copy on an architectural drawing, c1991

[UQ]: The University of Queensland, Ritchie Research Laboratories, St Lucia Campus

Descriptive summaries and copies of two architectural drawings, c1989

Włodarczyk House, Chelmer, Brisbane

Publications referring to the building, 1992

State Government Office Building, Bolsover Street, Rockhampton

Descriptive summaries, c1991

Folder 14

Small portfolio of John Simpson's early work as a junior architect in North America. Projects include a pavilion complex for Expo 67 in Montreal, a primary school, University of Toronto's Scarborough College, an apartment, a student union building, an office building, and the Hampstead Civic Centre Library, 1960s

Parcel 1 (folio sized)

Portfolio of John Simpson's Queensland work, 1986 to 1997

Parcel 2 (folio sized)

Some items in this parcel are under access restriction. Application for access to restricted material can be submitted to the Fryer Librarian for consideration.

This parcel contains items from Series 4 and the following items from Series 3:

South Bank Brisbane

Masterplan and masterplan review (on CD), reports publications, presentations, poster, agendas and minutes, 1995 to c2013

[QUT]: Queensland University of Technology, Information Technology Engineering Building, Gardens Point Campus

Design report, c1992

Series 4: Personal Papers

Box 2

Folder 1

Program and teaching materials for a symposium hosted for fifth year architecture students by The University of Queensland Department of Architecture, 18 Sep 1984

Report: 'Integration of Educational Technology into the Design of Schools for the Future in Queensland' prepared by the Australian Centre for Innovation and International Competitiveness and John Simpson, Daniel Callaghan and Gordon Holden, Jun 1997

Folder 2

Photographs of John Simpson and copies of his Curriculum Vitae, c1996 to c1997

Folder 3

Correspondence, mainly relating to awards presented to John Simpson, 1996 to 2008

Folder 4

Programs and papers relating to the conferring of honorary doctorates on John Simpson by the Queensland University of Technology (2003) and The University of Queensland (2008), 2003 to 2008

Folder 5

Published photographs of John Simpson attending a Scottish dinner, annotated journal articles (not by John Simpson), handwritten page of notes on 'the digital age' and a citation and form completed by John Simpson, nominating Trevor Reddacliff for life fellowship of The Royal Australian Institute of Architects, 2002 to c2003

Folder 6

Brisbane newspaper cuttings of articles by or about John Simpson and his architectural practice, 1979 to 2003

Folder 7

Copy of William Job's book, *The Building of Brisbane 1828–1940*, inscribed 'To my good friend John with best wishes, Bill Job', accompanied by newspaper cuttings and a program for a walking tour of architectural landmarks, conducted by John Simpson on 19 October 2008, 2002 to 2008

Parcel 2 (folio sized)

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This parcel contains items from Series 3 and the following items from Series 4:

2 scrapbooks containing newspaper cuttings of articles relating to John Simpson's architectural practice in Queensland, 1990 to 1994

Architectural awards and honours conferred on John Simpson, including the silver medal for Queensland Architect of the Year in 1997 and Life Fellowship of The Royal Australian Institute of Architects in 2000, 1988 to 2000

Series 5: Architectural Model

1 architectural model of Resource Centre Expressive Arts Building, Brisbane College of Advanced Education, Carseldine Campus; encapsulated in perspex, 700 x 700 x 200mm. Constructed by Peter Sands Design Models, 1980s