

# Broadwater Parklands



Incorporating exemplary landscape, contemporary built forms and integrated environmental design, Broadwater Parklands has been transformed into an iconic gateway for the Gold Coast and a popular destination, where events, history and water combine to create an active green waterfront. The redevelopment of the parklands, jointly funded by the Gold Coast City Council and the Queensland Government, has rejuvenated this magnificently located public land, previously dominated by a large asphalt car park, into a contemporary world class foreshore park.



The design of the Parkland successfully meshes the beauty of the natural environment with an urban overlay that reconnects the city with the waterfront, caters for events of diverse scale and provides a myriad of high quality recreational experiences for visitors. Environmentally sustainable and water sensitive design innovations include an urban wetland that cleanses stormwater runoff before it enters the Broadwater, photovoltaic panels strikingly integrated into shade shelters to power park lighting and a children's water-play feature that uses saltwater from the Broadwater to minimise the use of valuable potable water.



The project team's response to the Broadwater's natural environment reflects a commitment to ecosystem preservation that positions the Gold Coast at the forefront of sustainable design in the public realm.

This project received an Award at the Gold Coast Urban Design Awards 2011.