

**Press Release, 09 July 2012**

## **Wolfgang Feist on tour in the UK**

From 30 June – 4 July, Wolfgang Feist, founder and director of the Passive House Institute, visited the UK for the second time this year (Read [press release](#) on his last UK trip) where he held a series of lectures and seminars at universities in London, Glasgow and Cardiff and announced the winners of the UK Passivhaus Awards 2012 at the 2nd Anniversary Event of the Passivhaus Trust, iPHA's UK Affiliate.

### **30 June – 3 July: Passive House seminars at London, Glasgow and Cardiff**



*Wolfgang Feist presenting at Goldsmith College in London; photo: Nick Grant, Passivhaus Trust*

Feist's tour started at Goldsmith College in London with a lecture introducing the Passive House Standard, followed by a panel discussion. At an Advanced Technical Master class thereafter, Feist presented the latest trends and achievements in the Passive House field while addressing common challenges and solutions for Passive House projects.

Another opportunity to discuss technical aspects of Passive House was offered at University of Strathclyde, Glasgow on the morning of 2 July, followed by an afternoon seminar entitled, "Passivhaus – the way to meet low energy targets?". Here Feist addressed the audience on the benefits of Passive House as well as the application of the Standard with a particular attention to its application in Scotland.

Prof. Feist's held his final lecture of the tour at the Cardiff School of Engineering where he opened an afternoon Passive House seminar by outlining Passive House development throughout Europe.

### **4 July 2012: UK Passivhaus Awards 2012 & Passivhaus Trust 2nd Anniversary**

The announcement of the winners of the UK Passivhaus Awards at the Passivhaus Trust 2nd Anniversary Event, held on 4 July at the Senate House in London, rounded off the UK tour. The competition, launched by the Trust to celebrate the achievements of the Passive House pioneers in the UK, aimed to promote the Passive House Standard in the UK. The awards highlighted, yet again, the versatility of the Passive House Standard in serving as the basis for beautiful, energy efficient and comfortable buildings of almost any type, function, size and design.



*Wolfgang Feist handing over the Passivhaus Award certificate; photo: Passivhaus Trust*

The winners of the UK Passivhaus Awards, selected by a vote from Passivhaus Trust members after a short listing process by the UK Passivhaus Awards jury, were chosen for three categories:

<b>Residential</b>	<u>Wimbish Passivhaus</u> , Parsons & Whittley
<b>Non Domestic</b>	<u>Oakmeadow Primary School</u> , Architype Architects
<b>Retrofit</b>	<u>Mayville Community Centre</u> , Bere Architects

The event was a wonderful conclusion to a successful UK tour with the UK Passivhaus Awards certainly embodying the spirit of Feist's central message for this trip: "Passivhaus is the ideal solution for buildings across the UK, residential and non-residential alike, thus offering a huge potential for energy savings and the mitigation of climate change – as well as a great opportunity for lots of small and medium-sized enterprises."



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