



IN THIS SPECIAL
EXTRA NEWS
FEATURE, WE REPORT
ON A PRESTIGIOUS
AWARD FOR A
PRIVATE DENTISTRY
AUTHOR

Richard Mitzman, the well known architect and regular contributor to *Private Dentistry* is one of the winners in this year's highly prestigious Royal Institute of British Architects awards. He won the award for the design of Andrew Moore's

Advanced Dental Clinic in Chelmsford. This was featured in February 2004's edition of *Private Dentistry* in our *How I did It* series.

The RIBA awards are given to the most famous and striking new buildings of the past year and included such famous names as Foster & Partners (for the Swiss Re 'gherkin'), Studio Daniel Libeskind and Arup Associates.

Speaking at the awards ceremony, RIBA president George Ferguson said 'These awards recognise a remarkable selection of buildings from every sector'. As *The Guardian* reported, the dental surgery in Chelmsford especially impressed

the judges. Rarely has a building of this function been described as 'a pleasure to visit'. Patients, as they lie in the chair, have a view through a carefully positioned spotlight of the clouds above. The RIBA website added, 'It is an immensely restful and cheering interior achieved by an understanding of the basis of architecture – light and form'.

Private Dentistry has been privileged to publish several other dental practices designed by Richard. All of them have been outstanding and he has pioneered many totally new concepts. It is no exaggeration to say he has revolutionised the whole art of dental practice design and it is fitting that his talent has now been recognised by his peers.

To feature in a list of awards given to some of the world's leading architects is a tremendous achievement and all of us at *Private Dentistry* send Richard our warmest congratulations. **PD**

