

The late Robin Boyd, Australian architect and architectural critic, has been posthumously honored by the American Institute of Architects.

The award is the AIA's 1973 Architecture Critic's Medal, awarded annually to commemorate a distinguished career devoted to architectural criticism.

Mrs. Boyd has been invited to the annual convention of the 24,000-member organisation in San Francisco, in May, to receive the award.

Robin Boyd began writing as the first director of "The Age" housing service, which began as a joint venture between "The Age" and the Royal Victorian Institute of Architects in 1947, to help cope with the post-war housing crisis.

He died in 1971. Between 1947 and 1971 he wrote 11 books and was a frequent contributor to architectural journals in Australia, England, the USA and other countries.

He was also a noted Australian architect and designer.