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Construction Industry News recently caught up with Partner, Socrates Miltiadou, to see why the project has impressed the judges so much.

“We had completed two previous projects for the client, the first of which was unbuilt, while the second was a complete refurbishment of a house in Highbury,” explains Mr Miltiadou. “The client then purchased the 3,000 sq ft Canonbury House site for a new build development. It’s an interesting location but very constrained because it’s next to a listed building and is in a very carefully controlled conservation area. Thankfully, by working with the Canonbury Society and the local community, we were able to come up with a scheme that went through with no objections. The fact that we were offering solutions to reduce onsite disruption by utilising off-site construction was particularly appreciated.

“We started demolishing the project mid-January and the

client moved in in the December. They were delighted with the end result and the quality of the project is further underlined by the award recognition it has received since. The awards have generated a number of enquires but generally we attract business via word of mouth.”

While it may have added further to its award collection, Mitzman Architects remains a strategically small practice with the business being designed as carefully as its buildings. This approach enables the optimum service for its clients through the best possible design and delivery process for each project. This has resulted in a near 100% success rate with planning since inception in 2000, as well as high investment returns for its client base.

The practice aims to ensure the process of developing the brief, solving inevitable problems and optimising investment by professional delivery. Subsequently the process is enjoyable for clients, its own team

and its carefully selected sub-contractors and consultants.

Partners, Richard Mitzman and Socrates Miltiadou, and their team have a genuine daily excitement for design in their Primrose Hill studio where they enjoy working closely with clients, many of which provide repeat business within the residential, specialist healthcare and commercial sectors. The practice’s designs are driven by function and ergonomics in combination with the use of daylight and integration of external and internal spaces.

Sustainability and social responsibility are integral parts of Mitzman Architects’ core practice ideology with design through to furniture and interior design. It generally works with private clients and developers within London and the South-East, although it has carried out projects within the dental industry throughout the country. It has also carried out projects within France, Switzerland, Ireland, Italy and Cyprus.

As a company that is classed as a ‘one stop shop’ operation, Mitzman Architects has the capabilities to look after all the architecture, project management, interior design, lighting design, AV design, landscaping and furniture elements of a project. It is therefore more than happy to take the whole project on-board and can operate as the main contractor if necessary. In addition to the award-winning Canonbury House project, other significant projects Mitzman Architects has been involved with recently include:

- 5,000 sq ft new build house in Stormont Road;
- 18,000 sq ft façade retention in Highgate;
- 9,000 sq ft new build in St. Johns Wood.

As its reputation increases with each passing project, the high level of repeat business that Mitzman Architects enjoys can look forward with confidence. What’s more, further award recognition can’t be ruled out either.