



Entry for :  
**BEST CIVIC PROJECT**

Project:  
**Tram Stop, St Kilda**

Architecture & Design:  
**Tract**

Installation:  
**2 Construct**

Stone Supply:  
**BAM Stone**

Materials:  
**420 square metres of crazy paving;  
280 linear metres of 300 x 300mm  
kerbing plus 1200mm long step  
stones**

## Running Bam on time

Melbourne's trams are iconic symbols of the city which date back to 1885. The first serious electric tram line was developed in 1906 when the North Melbourne Electric Tramway & Lighting Company built a line which travelled towards Essendon and the Victorian Railways built a line from St Kilda to Brighton.

Use of bluestone in Melbourne well and truly predates the emergence of the city's tramways. Bluestone was a favoured building material in the 1850s around the time of the Gold Rush. Significant buildings which feature bluestone include Parliament House, St Patrick's Cathedral, Victorian Barracks and HM Prison Pentridge.

Ironically bluestone features prominently at our featured tram stop in St Kilda, close to where one of the first tram lines ran.

In fact, bluestone supplied by BAM Stone features prominently in many locations around town including Crown Casino, Docklands and Southern Cross Railway Station. The merits of the material are the same today as they were in the 1850s; high durability, excellent slip resistance and low porosity.

Over 400 square metres of durable bluestone paving provides a hard surface finish that continues to stand the test of time. **05**