



CHIPPENDALE

Botanist checks out his patch

VERTICAL GARDENS IN VOGUE

FLAMBOYANT French botanist Patrick Blanc completed a final inspection of his vertical gardens, which are thriving and bursting with colour on the north and east facades of the One Central Park residential development in Chippendale.

The design weaves together more than 380 exotic and native species, with two of the panels reaching a height of 116m.

Mr Blanc's vertical gardens do not require soil to grow, provided they have something to attach themselves to, as well as light, carbon dioxide, water and nutrients, which can be

mechanically dispersed to the plants.

Central Park's Project Director, Mick Caddey said the development is only the fourth project Mr Blanc has completed in Australia.

"We are incredibly pleased to have been able to secure his living artworks for all future residents and visitors to these iconic towers. One Central Park's vertical gardens are one of the most visible expressions of Central Park's commitment to sustainable urban living."

Mr Blanc's created his first outdoor wall in Australia in 2009 for the Trio development in Camperdown.



Patrick Blanc speaks at One Central Park.