



The American Institute of Architects
Western Mountain Region
50th Anniversary Celebration



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The American Institute of Architects (Western Mountain Region) Recognizes 2009 Achievements in Architecture

DENVER (Oct. 19, 2009)—The American Institute of Architects (AIA), Western Mountain Region (WMR), recognized its 2009 architectural design and honor awards recipients during a ceremony on Saturday, Oct. 17, at the Keystone Resort and Conference Center (Keystone, Colo.).

Design Awards

The following 13 architectural design awards were selected from 185 entries submitted by architects in Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico, Wyoming, Nevada and Utah, who make up the members of AIA WMR. These were presented by AIA WMR 2009 Design Awards Jury Chair Rob Rogers, FAIA, of Roger Marvel Architects in New York. *Please note that the highest award is honor, followed by merit and then citation. The category of the award follows.*

Honor, Distinguished Building Award
The Construction Zone, Ltd (Phoenix)
The Perch (Sedona, Ariz.)

Honor, Distinguished Building Award
Gould Evans Associates, L.C. (Phoenix)
The Law Commons, The University of Arizona James E. Rogers
College of Law (Tucson, Ariz.)

Honor, Distinguished Building Award
will bruder+PARTNERS LTD (Phoenix)
Agave Library (Phoenix)

Honor, Unbuilt Design Award
Westlake Reed Leskosky (Phoenix)
Oberlin College, Phyllis Litoff Building (Oberlin, Ohio)

Merit, Distinguished Building Award
SmithGroup (Phoenix)
Mesa Community College Physical Science Building (Mesa,
Ariz.)

Merit, Distinguished Building Award
Weddle Gilmore (Scottsdale, Ariz.)
Gateway to the McDowell Sonoran Preserve (Scottsdale, Ariz.)

Merit, Distinguished Building Award
will bruder+PARTNERS LTD (Phoenix) and CH2M Hill
(Tempe, Ariz.)
Henkel North American Consumer Products Headquarters
(Scottsdale, Ariz.)

Citation, Distinguished Building Award
Architekton (Tempe, Ariz.) and Otak (Tempe, Ariz.)
METRO Light Rail Stations – Finishes Concept and
Line Segment 5 Implementation (Ariz.)

Citation, Distinguished Building Award
blank studio, inc. (Phoenix)
Yoga Deva (Gilbert, Ariz.)

Citation, Distinguished Building Award
Carney Architects (Jackson, Wyo.)
Sublette County Library Addition (Pinedale, Wyo.)

Citation, Distinguished Building Award
Weddle Gilmore (Scottsdale, Ariz.)
Black Rock Studio (Scottsdale, Ariz.)

Citation, Unbuilt Design Award
Allen + Philp Architects (Scottsdale, Ariz.)
Shared Studio (Fort McDowell, Ariz.)

Citation, Unbuilt Design Award
Sparano + Mooney Architecture (Salt Lake City)
Saint Joseph the Worker Church (West Jordan, Utah)

Honor Awards

In addition to the design awards, four honor awards were presented by AIA WMR Honor Awards Jury Chair Wade J. Simpson, AIA, of Pugsley Simpson Coulter Architects (Las Vegas).

Young Architect Award: Brad Tomecek, AIA, principal of Studio H:T (Boulder, Colo.)

This award recognizes those individuals who at an early state in their architectural career, have shown exceptional leadership in design, education and service to the profession.

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Architectural Firm of the Year: Carney Architects (Jackson, Wyo.)

This award recognizes the continuing collaboration among individuals in a firm who have produced distinguished architecture over a period of at least 10 years, and have made significant contributions to the institute, the profession and their community, and have transcended their local boundaries in making these contributions.

Award of Distinction: Nevada Public Radio, Florence Rogers, general manager (Las Vegas)

This award recognizes those individuals and organizations outside the AIA membership category of Architect, who have recorded, illustrated or contributed to a better understanding and interpretation of awareness in the WMR.

Silver Medal Award: Windom Kimsey, FAIA, principal of Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects (Las Vegas)

This award recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to the institute, the profession and the citizens of the WMR, their community, and who has transcended local boundaries in making these contributions.

About AIA and AIA WMR

For more than 150 years, members of The American Institute of Architects (AIA) have worked with each other and their communities to create more valuable, healthy, secure and sustainable buildings and cityscapes. AIA members have access to the right people, knowledge and tools to create better design, and through such resources and access, they help clients and communities make their visions real.

Serving more than 4,000 members in Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming, AIA Western Mountain Region represents its members on a regional and national level and supports its members in their service to society. In 2009, the region is celebrating its 50th anniversary. For more information, visit www.aiawmr.org.

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Editor's Note: To receive a copy of the award-winning projects' descriptions and/or photographs, please contact Sonia Riggs at sonia@aiacolorado.org or 303.446.2266, ext. 117.