

PRESS ALERT

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AIA New Orleans Announces 2010 Design Awards Winners
Annual Design Awards program honors the work of local architects

New Orleans, LA – January 21, 2010 – The **New Orleans Chapter** of the **American Institute of Architects (AIA)** announces the recipients of the **2010 Design Awards**. Nine were chosen out of nearly 70 entries to receive awards of honor and merit.

This year's awards theme **Recovery & Progress** demonstrates AIA New Orleans' aim to continue raising awareness of the importance of great design in the rebuilding of our city. "We were happy to hold this year's event at the newly finished 930 Poydras building designed by the architecture firm Eskew+Dumez+Ripple. This building is the first residential high-rise built in downtown New Orleans in more than 20 years and exemplifies the progressive design that will help move our city forward," said AIA New Orleans Executive Director, Melissa Urcan.

The awards were presided over by AIA New Orleans 2010 President Charles Montgomery, AIA, 2010 Design Awards Chair Ammar Eloueini, International Associate AIA, and featured several prominent keynote speakers including David Richter, FAIA of the 2010 Design Jury, Michael Hecht, CEO & President of GNO, Inc., and Kurt Weigle, CEO & President of the Downtown Development District. The jury was comprised of a South Texas based team including David R. Richter, FAIA, and Elizabeth Chu, FAIA, of Richter Architects and Nonya Grenader, FAIA, principal of her own small firm and Professor in Practice/Associate Director of the Rice Building Workshop. Submissions were considered in the following categories: Architecture, Interior Architecture, Divine Detail, Residential,

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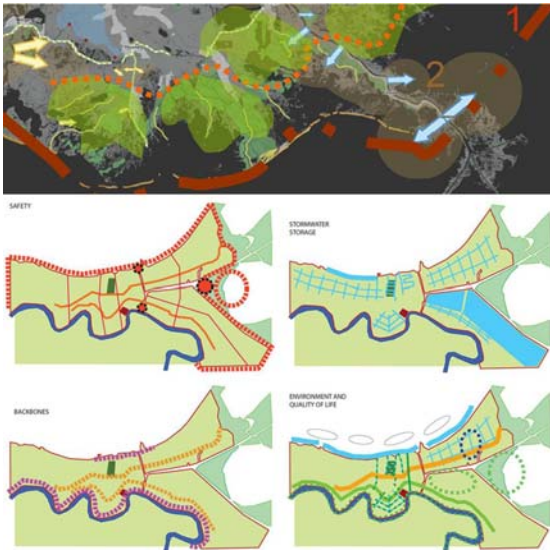
Projects, Historic Preservation/ Restoration/ Rehabilitation, Adaptive Reuse, and Master
Planning/Urban Design.

Listed below are the winners and their respective categories.

HONOR AWARDS:



Residential Category
Tulane University's URBANbuild program led by Project Architect Byron Mouton, AIA
URBANbuild Prototype #4 house



Master Planning/Urban Design
Waggoner+Ball Architects
Dutch Dialogues

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Architecture Category
Waggoner+Ball Architects
Siena Center/Dominican High School
Photographer: Alise O'Brien



Adaptive Reuse Category
Wisznia | Architecture + Development
Gravier Street Residence
Photographer: Papillos

MERIT AWARDS:



Divine Detail
AEDS, Ammar Eloueini
Issey Miyake Pleats Please Store in Toulouse, France
Photographer: Christian Richters

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Divine Detail
AEDS, Ammar Eloueini
Le Tramway Pavillon de l'Arsenal, Paris
Photographer: Christian Richters



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Projects Category
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Interior Architecture
studioWTA | Wayne Troyer Architects
LSUHSC Library Commons
Wayne Troyer, Principal
Julie Kaminski, Project Designer / Manager
Nancy Stewart, Interior Designer
Kenyon Zimmerman, Project Designer (Custom Furniture)
Jessica Tippens, Project Designer (Schematic Design)
William Soniat, Project Designer (Coffee Bar)
Sadi Brewton, Intern (CNC Screens)

AIA New Orleans presented the event with sponsorships from AOS and Marvin Windows and Doors. Table sponsors included Eskew+Dumez+Ripple, Gibbs Construction, HMS Architects, Holly & Smith Architects, Manning Architects, MAPP Construction, Perez, Professional Service Industries (PSI), Sizeler Thompson Brown Architects, Wisznia Associates, and Woodward Design+Build. More information and photos can be found on the website, www.aianeworleans.org.

About AIA New Orleans:

AIA New Orleans is a non-profit organization comprised of over 400 professional architects, and is a component of the national organization whose membership includes 80,000 professional architects worldwide. Founded in 1910, AIA New Orleans mission is to represent, educate and serve the architecture profession and entire community as concerns the built environment. The chapter hosts more than 60 different events each year for its members and the public, including a lecture series provided in partnership with Tulane School of Architecture, continuing education classes, building tours, architecture exhibitions, an annual architecture film presented with the New Orleans Film Society, an annual Design Awards program and an annual architecture and art event, "DesCours." Most recently, AIA New Orleans opened the 'AIA New Orleans Center for Design' which serves its members and the public through offering architecture and design education opportunities in the forms of lectures, a study center, special events, and more. AIA New Orleans Center for Design is also the only dedicated architecture and design exhibition space in the state of Louisiana.

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