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McGraw-Hill Construction Announces Finalists for Best of the Best Awards *Competition celebrates cream of the crop in design and construction for 2008*

New York, NY – *McGraw-Hill Construction* is pleased to announce the finalists of its first annual **Best of the Best Awards**. The competition recognizes the construction and design excellence of the past year from across the U.S., drawing entries from the regional winners of McGraw-Hill Construction's network of 11 Regional Publications.

The winners will be announced by publication in March in *Engineering News-Record* and in the April issues of the Northwest Construction.

More than 225 projects from across the country were considered in 22 categories, ranging from best green building to best transportation project.

An independent 13-member jury of owners, designers, contractors and educators from various regions was assembled to judge the projects based on a variety of criteria including innovation, contribution to the community, aesthetic quality and workmanship.

"The judges for our inaugural national awards were very impressed by the caliber of projects that were competing," says Jan Tuchman, editor-in-chief of *Engineering News-Record*. "It's important for our industry to celebrate the many positive achievements that were accomplished in 2008, especially during the current economic times."

Best of the Best 2008 Finalists

Architectural Design

Cathedral of Christ the Light, *California Construction*. Submitted by Webcor

Hunt Oil Corporate Headquarters, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Beck Group

UNM School of Architecture & Planning, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Antoine Predock Architect

Bridges

Tempe Town Lake Light Rail Bridge, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by T.Y. Lin

The Depot Bridge, *Northwest Construction*. Submitted by Ross Bros. & Co.

US 17-92 General Hutchison Pedestrian Bridge, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by Ayres Associates

Civil/Public Works

Harvey Canal Sector Gates, *South Central Construction*. Submitted by Boh Bros. Construction Co. LLC

Port Authority Ferry Terminal at the World Financial Center, *New York Construction*. Submitted by PANYNJ

Tingley Park Flood Control Facility and Park Reconstruction, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Wilson & Co.

Cultural

Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Turner Construction Co.

Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long Center for Performing Arts, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Austin Commercial
The Newseum, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by Turner Construction

Government

Social Security Administration, SE Payment Cent., *South Central Construction*. Submitted by Faithful+Gould Inc.
Woodbridge Statewide Traffic Management Center, *New York Construction*. Submitted by HNTB Corporation
Woodcrest Public Library, *California Construction*. Submitted by HMC

Green Building

ASU Polytechnic Academic Complex, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by RSP Architects and DPR Construction
Ohlone College Newark Science & Tech Bldg, *California Construction*. Submitted by Perkins + Will
Papago Gateway Center, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by SmithGroup and Okland Construction

Health Care

Gateway Medical Center Replacement Facility, *South Central Construction*. Submitted by BE&K Building Group
Michael F. Price Center for Genetic and Translational Medicine/Harold and Muriel Block Research Pavilion, Albert Einstein College of Medicine at Yeshiva University, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Tishman Construction Corp.
University Medical Center, Greer Memorial Hospital, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by BE&K Building Co.

Higher Education

Glendale Community College North Facility Expansion, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by RNL
New Library – Morgan State University, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by Design Collective
Raymond and Susan Brochstein Pavilion, Rice University, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Linbeck

Industrial

Gulfstream Aerospace Corp., G650 Business Jet Mfg. Facility, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by BE&K Building Co.
New York Times Press Facility at College Point, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Turner Construction Co.
Western Dairies, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by RHP Mechanical Systems

Interior

International Interior Design Association Headquarters, *Midwest Construction*.
Invesco World Headquarters-Commercial Interior, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by Hitt Contracting
Walter P Moore office, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Gensler

K-12 Education

Borger ISD New Elementary, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by MW Builders
Clear Springs High School, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by PBK
San Ysidro High School Phase II, *California Construction*. Submitted by Sundt Construction
Waxahachie Global High School, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Huckabee
Woodland Middle School, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by Barton Malow

Landscape/Urban Design

Optima at Camelview Village, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by ISS Grounds Control, Phoenix Branch
Pentagon Memorial, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by Balfour Beatty Construction
Public Farm One, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Leslie E. Robertson Associates

Office

Comcast Center, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by L.F. Driscoll Co. and Hill International
Concours Office Building, *California Construction*. Submitted by HMC
Riverpoint Center for Apollo Group, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by SmithGroup, Sundt and Carpenter Sellers

Project Management

Five Libraries, *Northwest Construction*. Submitted by BNBuilders
South Lake Union Street Car, *Northwest Construction*. Submitted by Stacy & Witbeck Inc.
Walter Cronkite School of Journalism, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Sundt/HDR/SEA

Renovation/Restoration

Balboa Theatre Rehabilitation, *California Construction*. Submitted by PCL Construction Services, Inc.

Blackstone Hotel, *Midwest Construction*.

Utah State Capitol Restoration, *Intermountain Contractor*. Submitted by Jacobsen Construction

Residential

3344 Peachtree, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by Hardin Construction

40 Mercer Street, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Pavarini McGovern

Zocalo Santa Fe, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Gerald Martin General Contractor and Dekker/Perich/Sabatini

Retail/Hospitality

Ermenegildo Zegna Flagship Boutique, *New York Construction*. Submitted by Shawmut Design

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by Tompkins Builders

Paradise Lodge, *Northwest Construction*. Submitted by Watts Construction/Korsmo Construction

Small Project

Aldo Leopold Legacy Center, *Midwest Construction*.

Brooklyn Academy of Music Canopy, *New York Construction*. Submitted by H3 Hardy Collaboration Architecture

Los Lunas Silvery Minnow Refugium, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by HDR Engineering Inc.

Museum of Modern Art Home Delivery Installation, *New York Construction*. Submitted by F.J. Sciame Construction Co., Inc

Specialty Contracting

South Campus Chiller Plant University of Chicago, *Midwest Construction*.

The Crystals at City Center, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Schuff Steel Co.

Utah State Capitol Restoration, *Intermountain Contractor*. Submitted by Spectrum Engineers

Sports/Recreation

College of New Rochelle Center For Wellness, *New York Construction*. Submitted by ikon.5 architects

Nationals Park, *Mid-Atlantic Construction*. Submitted by Clark Construction Group

Sanibel Island Recreation Center, *Southeast Construction*. Submitted by Peter R. Brown Construction

Transportation

Indianapolis International Airport Upgrades, *Midwest Construction*.

METRO Light Rail Line Section 5, *Southwest Contractor*. Submitted by Sundt/Stacy & Witbeck

Sound Transit C755, *Northwest Construction*. Submitted by PCL Construction Services Inc.

Worship

Calvary Episcopal Church, *Colorado Construction*. Submitted by Architectural Workshop

Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart, *Texas Construction*. Submitted by Linbeck

Congregation Beth Shalom, *California Construction*. Submitted by Forell/Elsesser

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, *Midwest Construction*

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