

Celebrating Achievements in Wood Architecture and Design 2013 Award Winners Announced

Ottawa, ON, December 19, 2013 – The *Wood Design & Building* magazine is pleased to announce the award recipients for the prestigious 2013 Wood Design Awards Program. Sixteen projects were hand selected from over 125 entries by an esteemed architectural jury consisting of: Michael Malinowski from Applied Architecture Inc., Michael Heeney from Bing Thom Architects, and Steven Raike from Lake | Flato Architects.

A nod to the calibre of entries this year, the Ron Thom special award was presented to Bohlin Cywinski Jackson for their project entitled Tsing Tao Pearl Hill Visitor Center. A renowned Canadian architect, Ron Thom's designs are celebrated throughout Canada. The Ron Thom award honors his commitment to architectural excellence by acknowledging a project that exceeds all other project designs and executions. Special awards were also granted by the Canadian Wood Council as well as this year's award sponsor, Sustainable Forestry Initiative.

"The projects submitted for the 2013 awards program pushed the boundaries of conventional wood buildings and made it challenging for the jury to narrow the selection." explained Etienne Lalonde, Vice-President of Market Development for the Canadian Wood Council. "The Wood Design Awards is an opportunity to showcase excellence in wood architecture and acknowledge a wide-range of wood product applications that demonstrate an understanding of the special qualities of wood such as strength, durability, aesthetic appeal and cost-effectiveness." added Theresa Rogers, Editor, *Wood Design & Building* magazine.

The *Wood Design & Building* magazine, in partnership with the Canadian Wood Council, would like to thank everyone who participated in the 2013 North American Awards Program, and congratulate all of the winning projects. A special thank you is also extended to this year's sponsor, the Sustainable Forestry Initiative.

The Winning Projects for the 2013 Wood Design Award Program:

RON THOM SPECIAL AWARD

• Tsing Tao Pearl Hill Visitor Center – Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, Seattle, WA

<u>HONOR</u>

- Pond House Elliot + Elliot Architecture, Raleigh, NC
- Federal Center South Building 1202 ZGF Architects LLP, Seattle, WA

MERIT

- Halls Ridge Knoll Guest House Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, San Francisco, CA
- Stone Barn at a Coastal Farm Bohlin Cywinski Jackson, Wilkes-Barre, PA
- UBC BioEnergy Research + Demonstration Facility McFarland Marceau Architects, Vancouver, BC
- UBCO Fitness + Wellness Centre McFarland Marceau Architects, Vancouver, BC

- **bosk Restaurant** Office of mcfarlane biggar architects + designers inc., North Vancouver, BC. *Project completed as predecessor firm mcfarlane green biggar Architecture + Design Inc.
- University Boulevard Transit Shelters PUBLIC: Architecture + Communication, Vancouver, BC
- Mjolk House studio junction inc., Toronto, ON

CITATION

- **Grizzly Paw Brewery** Lloyd R McLean Architect with Russell and Russell Design Studios, Canmore, AB
- Environmental Learning Center, North Vancouver Outdoor School McFarland Marceau Architects, Vancouver, BC
- Bullitt Center The Miller Hull Partnership, Seattle, WA
- JC Raulston Arboretum Lath House Frank Harmon Architect, Raleigh, NC

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- Northwest Harbor Bates + Masi Architects, East Hampton, NY
- SAIL Rositch Hemphill Architects, Vancouver, BC

SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY INITIATIVE AWARD

• This special award will be announced in the New Year.

Wood Design Awards

A program of the Canadian Wood Council and implemented through its *Wood Design & Building* magazine, it is the only North American awards program to publicly recognize and award excellence and innovation in wood architecture. To learn more about the program or to purchase a copy of the popular Wood Design Awards book, please visit <u>www.cwc.ca</u>.



From left to right: Steven Raike, Michael Heeney, Michael Malinowski.

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