The Connecticut Chapter of the American Institute of Architects

2010 Design Awards

Celebrating the accomplishments of Connecticut architects and the excellence of Connecticut architectural projects.

JURORS

David P. Manfredi, FAIA, LEED AP, Elkus Manfredi Architects, Boston, MA
Anthony Vidler, Dean and Professor of the Irwin S. Chanin School of Architecture at The Cooper Union, NY
Pamela Hawkes, FAIA, Ann Beha Architects, Boston, MA

Built Projects

North Branford Intermediate School, North Branford, CT
Newman Architects, LLC, New Haven, CT
Volo Aviation, Stratford, CT
Beinfield Architecture PC, Norwalk, CT
Fairfield Jesuit Community Center, Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT
Rogers International Baccalaureate Environmental Magnet School, Stamford, CT
Tai Soo Kim Partners, Hartford, CT
Storage Barn, Washington, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT

Single Family Residential Projects

Watersheds, Coastal Rhode Island
Roger Ferris + Partners, Westport, CT
The Bridge House, Kent, CT
Joeb + Partners Architects, LLC, Greenwich, CT
44PL, Greenwich, CT
Joeb + Partners Architects > LLC, Greenwich, CT
Spiral House, Old Greenwich, CT
Joeb + Partners Architects > LLC, Greenwich, CT
Lanterns, Westport, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT
Cottage, Guilford, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT

Unbuilt

Mill River Park Canopy, New Haven, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT

Preservation

The Betty Ruth and Milton B. Hollander Foundation Center, Hartford, CT
Crosskey Architects, LLC, Hartford, CT
Jonathan Edwards College, Yale University, New Haven, CT
Newman Architects LLC, New Haven, CT

Architecture: the Encompassing Art

Firestone Pavilion, Longmeadow, Massachusetts
Newick Architects, New Haven, CT
Chapel, Fairfield Jesuit Community Center, Fairfield University, Fairfield, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT
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BUILT DESIGN
Commercial, Institutional, Multi-Family Residential, Interiors

North Branford Intermediate School, North Branford, CT
Newman Architects, LLC, New Haven, CT

Photographer: Robert Benson Photography

Jury comment: In this renovation and addition, the architects have used a careful combination of composition and scale change to bread up and individualize what was a mundane 60’s school. Careful use of materials indicates the shifting functions inside and creates an identity for each teaching unit.

Structural Engineers
BVH Integrated Services
Bloomfield, Connecticut

Civil Engineer and Landscape Architect
Langan Engineering & Environmental Services
New Haven, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
Diversified Technology Consultants
North Haven, Connecticut

Hazardous Materials
Eagle Environmental, Inc.
Bristol, Connecticut

Traffic Consultant
Wilbur Smith Associates
New Haven, Connecticut

Code Consultant
Philip R. Sherman
Elkins, New Hampshire

Roof Consultant
BPD Roofing Consulting, Inc.
East Granby, Connecticut

Food Service Consultant
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Construction Manager
Turner Construction Company
Milford, Connecticut
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Volo Aviation, Stratford, CT
Beinfield Architecture, PC, South Norwalk, CT

Photographer: Michele Scotto, Sequined Asphalt Studio

Jury comment: This is an extraordinarily simple hangar for five small jets. The architects have used a combination of industrial materials to an extraordinary effect, capturing interior light and bringing translucency to the interiors.

Owner's Representative
Coe Consulting, LLC
Norwalk, Connecticut

Interior Design Consultant
Haviland Bayard Whitcomb Aviation Aesthetics
Southport, Connecticut

Structural Engineers
Hallama & Pelliccione, LLC
Stamford, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
Edwards & Zuck, P.C.
Stamford, Connecticut

General Contractor
A. Pappajohn Company
Norwalk, Connecticut
Jury comment: The center reflects an intuitive connection between the mission of calm, meditative, and community spirit with a plan that reflects spatial balance between individual and communal life. The building captures views; the use of natural materials is confident and tranquil. The jury cited this project for special commendation.

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
Altsi Sebor Wiebor
Norwalk, Connecticut

Landscape Architect
Reed Hilderbrand
Watertown, Massachusetts

General Contractor
PAC Group, LLC
Harwinton, Connecticut
Jury comment: This pre-K to 8th grade school delivers on its promise of studying the environment on all scales. It produces the micro environments which are the subject of its mission. The building makes great use of recycled materials and sits on a reclaimed brown field site. The jury commends this project for its connection of mission, form and materials.

Structural Engineers
Spiegel Zamecnik & Shah
New Haven, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
BVH Integrated Services
Bloomfield, Connecticut

Landscape Architect: Site Planning, Roads
CR3
Simsbury, Connecticut

Landscape Architect: Rain Garden, Green Roof
Mik Young Kim Design
Boston, Massachusetts
Jury comment: This deceptively simple project is both building and sculpture in the landscape. It celebrates a simple and mundane activity and demonstrates the opportunity for great achievement in every commission. The jury also applauds its sustainable strategies.

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

General Contractor
Catalpa Management LLC
Washington, Connecticut
Watersheds, Coastal Rhode Island
Roger Ferris + Partners, Westport, CT

Photographer: Michael Biondo

Jury comment: *This series of simple gable forms is manipulated to capture sunlight and views. The jury was excited by the elegant and spare detailing and was delighted with the contrast of taut, long form and lantern ends. These forms feel so natural on this site.*

Structural Engineers
The DiSalvo Ericson Group
Ridgefield, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
Sun Engineering
Gloucester, Massachusetts

General Contractor
Berkshire Wilton Partners
Wilton, Connecticut
Jury comment: *Set in a dramatic landscape, 300 feet above Kent falls, this house is poised carefully on its site, allowing the site to flow through the house. The jury was fascinated with the play of warm and cool texture and color. The house also responds to the seasons with carefully framed views, it also provides intricate and warm interior viewing chambers.*

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

Landscape Architect
Donald Walsh

General Contractor
Corporate Construction, Inc.
Kent, Connecticut
Jury comment: This single family residence sited on a series of long retaining walls takes the form of a traditional New England house, and by abstraction and use of materials takes its vernacular inspiration to a heightened level of sculptural modernity. The architect sustained the rigor of scale throughout, enabling a considerably sized house to take its place easily on this site.

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

Landscape Architects
Reed Dillion & Associates
Lawrence, Kansas

General Contractor
Prutting & Company Custom Builders
New Canaan, Connecticut
Jury comment: Beautifully drawn and equally well executed, this house, poised on the edge of Long Island Sound, traces a spiral from entry to upper chambers. Poised like a heron, the house distills its vernacular and modernist sensibilities in a spare aesthetic of calm and elegance.

Structural Engineers
Robert Silman Associates, PC
New York, New York

Mechanical Engineers
Tucker Associates Consulting
Danbury, Connecticut

General Contractor
Talcott Construction
Redding, Connecticut
Jury comment: In this group of garden pavilions, the architects have achieved, with extreme simplicity and economy of materials, a flexible set of seating and living shelters. These combine to make space. These objects are both furniture and architecture luminous at night and textured by day. The fabrication of panels is ingenious. The jury was very impressed.

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

Landscape Architect
Reed Hilderbrand
Watertown, Massachusetts

General Contractor
JID Design Build
New Haven, Connecticut
Jury comment: *This small guest house, with its green roof, takes the simplicity of a cube and the vernacular of New England geometry and abstracts into an elegant play of cubic and diagonal geometrics. The jury was impressed with the spare use of materials that reinforces the simplicity of form. It sits on the site lightly and with grace.*

Structural Engineers
Edward Stanley Engineers
Guilford, Connecticut

General Contractor
Andy Fowler
Clinton, Connecticut
Mill River Park Canopy, Stamford, CT
Gray Organschi Architecture, New Haven, CT

Jury comment: Using a series of delicate experiments with the topological characteristics of wood, the proponents have created a delicately woven canopy along the river walk that elegantly illustrates a stitched connection between river and city.
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Preservation

The Betty Ruth & Milton B. Hollander Foundation Center, Hartford, CT
Crosskey Architects, LLC, Hartford, CT

Photographer: Crosskey Architects, LLC

Jury comment: The jury applauded the intent of the developer and the ingenuity of the architect in preserving this historic Neo-Colonial building and the important interior details of public areas. The effort renders the building a new life as mixed, retail/residential use.

Structural Engineers
James K. Grant Associates
Collinsville, Connecticut

MEP Engineers
Acorn Consulting Engineers, Inc.
West Simsbury, Connecticut

Landscape Architect
GreenGrid
Weston Solutions, Inc.
Glastonbury, Connecticut

Environmental Consultant
Fuss & O'Neill EnviroScience, LLC
Manchester, Connecticut

General Contractor
LaRosa Building Group
Meriden, Connecticut
Jury comment: The jury recognized this project’s extremely sensitive renovation of the interior spaces of a Gothic Revival college. It introduces a range of new community and educational uses and contemporary services while preserving a balanced contrast of old and new.

Construction Manager
William A. Berry & Son, Inc.
Danvers, Massachusetts

Structural Engineers
Michael Horton and Associates
Branford, Connecticut

Civil/MEP/Fire Engineers
BVH Integrated Services
Bloomfield, Connecticut

Landscape Architect
Towers Golde
New Haven, Connecticut

Exterior Envelope
Leavitt Associates
Watertown, Massachusetts

Roof Consultant
H.B. Fishman & Co., Inc.
South Windsor, Connecticut

Dining Consultant
Ricca Newmark Design
Potomac, Maryland

Lighting Consultant
The Retec Group
New Haven, Connecticut

Cost Estimator
International Consultants, Inc.
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Code Consultant
Bruce J. Spiewak, AIA Consulting Architect, LLC
West Haven, Connecticut

Graphic Design
Strong Cohen Graphic Designers
New Haven, Connecticut

Elevator Consultant
Van Deusen Associates
Norwalk, Connecticut

Lighting Restoration
Enchanted Glassworks
Plymouth, Connecticut
Jury comment: The jury praised the sensitive handling of intersecting walls, beams and planes and the abstract sculptural quality of enclosures, such that it was reminded of a composition by the sculptor Donald Judd.
Jury comment: This submission truly fulfills the intent of this category, making connection from detail to the whole. It rescues damaged European beech from the site to fabricate altar furniture in such a way as to preserve the grain of wood and at the same time to celebrate the meditative simplicity of the whole.

Fabricator
Gray Organschi Architecture
New Haven, Connecticut