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PIA Interior Plantscape Award Winners and Color Bowl Design Contest Winners Announced at CalScape Expo

Ukiah, CA – Fourteen companies from across the United States and Canada were recognized at the Plantscape Industry Alliance’s Interior Plantscape Awards Ceremony and Hall of Fame Banquet held during CalScape Expo in Las Vegas, Oct. 2, 2009. Twenty winning projects received Awards of Merit or Excellence for their outstanding work in interior plantscape. Two companies were awarded the exceptional honor of receiving the Judges Award; John Mini Distinctive Landscapes, Congers, NY, for the Water Club by Borgata, and Planterra, West Bloomfield, MI, for the Horseshoe Casino. Entries are judged solely on their own merit against a point system. Each entry is reviewed individually within its category and dollar valuation. One individual, Adrian Salole, of Greenery Office Interiors, Calgary, AB, Canada, was recognized with a Technician Excellence Award. The following is a list of the winners in PIA’s seventeenth annual awards program.

Judges Award

John Mini Distinctive Landscapes, Congers, NY, The Water Club by Borgata
Planterra, West Bloomfield, MI, Horseshoe Casino

Design

Merit \$7,501-15,000: Parker Interior Plantscape, Scotch Plains, NJ, Burnes and Roe Enterprises
Merit \$7,501-15,000: Planterra, West Bloomfield, MI, Facility Matrix
Merit \$50,001-100,000: Greens By White Inc., Lake Forest, IL, Trump International Hotel & Tower

Silk, Replica, & Preserved

Merit \$50,001-100,000: Plantworks Designs LP, Las Vegas, NV, M Resort Spa & Casino
Merit \$100,001 and up: Plantworks Designs LP, Las Vegas, NV, Peppermill Casino and Hotel

Installation

Merit \$25,001-50,000: Botanical Designs, Inc., Seattle, WA, The Bravern
Excellence \$50,000-100,000: Evergreen Environments, Sandy Hook, CT, Royal Bank of Scotland
Excellence \$100,001 and up: Decorative Plant Service, San Francisco, CA, Rainforest of the World
Excellence \$100,001 and up: John Mini Distinctive Landscapes, Congers, NY, The Water Club by Borgata

Special Event & Holiday

Merit \$7,501-15,000: Whinnery Design, San Diego, CA, Columbia Center

Excellence \$7,501-15,000: Cityscapes Inc., Boston, MA, Brookfield Properties

Merit \$15,001-25,000: Camden Gardens, Inc., Seattle, WA, Four Seasons Hotel Seattle

Excellence \$25,001-50,000: Greens by White Inc., Lake Forest, IL, MB Real Estate "Holiday in the Jungle"

Excellence \$25,001-50,000: Parker Holiday, Scotch Plains, NJ, The Curtis Center

Merit \$50,001-100,000: Greens by White Inc., Lake Forest, IL, John Hancock Center - Golub & Co. "Holiday in the Windy City"

Excellence \$50,001-100,000: Air Strength Corporation, Winnipeg, MB, CAN, The Gardens at Polo Park

Excellence \$50,001-100000: Planterra, West Bloomfield, MI, Horseshoe Casino

Major Renovation

Excellence \$100,001 and up: Botanical Designs, Inc., Seattle, WA, Bellevue Square

Atrium

Excellence \$100,001 and up: Planterra, West Bloomfield, MI, Henry Ford Hospital West Bloomfield

Technician

Excellence, Adrian Salole, Greenery Office Interiors, Calgary, AB, CA

PIA thanks the following interiorscape professionals for serving as judges for this year's awards program, Steve Foster, FosterPlants Inc., Miami, FL; Karin Senneff, Plant Interscapes, San Antonio, TX; and Joe Zazzera, Plant Solutions Inc., Scottsdale, AZ.

Interested companies are encouraged to enter the 2010 PIA Interior Plantscape Awards Program and are reminded to take photos for the Holiday & Special Event category over the upcoming holiday season for entry in the 2010 contest. 2010 entry forms and deadlines will be posted on PIA's website www.piagrows.org.

The **Color Bowl Design Contest** is a fast paced CalScape Expo event challenging participants to use their imagination, foliage, color, and staging materials to create an outstanding color bowl. This year's theme was "Green" with water thrifty plants and bowls that only need to be watered every two weeks scoring extra points. Sandra Ortiz, Mr. Plant, Las Vegas, took first place with "Dreaming Under the Tree of Life." The second place winner was Norah Hunter, Brigham Young, Provo, UT, for her entry "Pathway to Green," and third place was captured by Brigham Young University horticulture student Jenna Standing for "It Ain't Easy Being Green."

CalScape Expo 2010 will be held at the Sheraton Marina, San Diego, CA, Sept. 1-3. For more information, contact PIA at 707-462-2276, pia@piagrows.org, or visit www.piagrows.org.

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Photos & captions:



Judges Award winner John Mini, John Mini Distinctive Landscapes.



Judges Award winner Carol Pliska, Planterra.



Technician Excellence award winner Adrian Salole of Greenery Office Interiors.



Color Bowl Design Contest winner Sandra Ortiz, Mr. Plant, Las Vegas, with her creation “Dreaming Under the Tree of Life.”

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