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Who needs fireworks when you have true sparklers—dazzling gems and passionate people, all working hard to make our fair city even more radiant—at your fingertips? Join us this month as we honor excellence in design and beyond. In keeping with the season, celebratory splendor will carry the day.





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rising above

They say that beauty is in the eye of the beholder, and that may very well be true. But for the judges reviewing this year's third annual Design Excellence Awards (DEA) submissions, there was a clear consensus: Some projects simply rose above the rest.

It hasn't been an easy year. A shaky economy brought many commercial and residential desgn projects to a halt; others were compelled to pare down otherwise grandiose plans. That is why this year's DEA entries speak volumes about the ingenuity and resiliency of Kansas City's top talent. Though not impervious to the raging storm, our interior designers and architects nevertheless produced some of the best projects our judges have seen yet. We believe this is not only a testament to our city, but an exciting indication of things to come.

CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: RA Sushi Bar Restaurant in Leawood, winner of the Gold Award for Interior | Specialty; Portfolio Kitchen & Home's residential bathroom (designed by Kira Satarova) won the Gold Award for Interior | Bathroom; Wendlandt & Stallbaumer's Barnhill project was recognized with the Silver Award in the bathroom category and Bronze Award for Craftsmanship; Portfolio Kitchen & Home's commercial kitchen for Function Junction (designed by David Zebley) won the Silver Award for Interior | Specialty; Studiobuild's Walnut Slab Bar won the Bronze Award for the specialty category.

2010 DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS

Interior | Specialty

Gold Bill Jeorling & Erin Baker RA Sushi Bar Restaurant

Silver Portfolio Kitchen & Home Function Junction Project

Bronze Studiobuild WDB Project | Walnut Slat Bar

Interior | Bathroom

Gold Portfolio Kitchen & Home Hornbaker Project

Silver Wendlandt & Stallbaumer Barnhill Residence

> Bronze Evan-Talan Homes Mission Hills Residence

> > Interior | Kitchen

Gold Portfolio Kitchen & Home Link Project

Silver Portfolio Kitchen & Home Daniels Project

Bronze Kim Ebner Designs Fairway Ranch Kitchen Remodel

> Interior I Dining/Living Room Gold Jill Tran Interior Design Brock Residence

Silver Portfolio Kitchen & Home Hornbaker Project

Bronze Jill Tran Interior Design Burge Residence

Interior | Office

Gold Spaces, Inc. Spaces, Inc. Showroom

Silver design Eric Negrete Indigo Wild Global Headquarters

Interior | Best Use of Art

Gold 360 Architecture Compostela | Faultless Starch/Bon Ami

> Silver Ramsey Interiors Private Residence

Bronze Stephanie Abramson Monarch Plastic Surgery

Interior I Children's Room Gold Jill Tran Interior Design

Private Residence

Silver Noble Designs Ellie's Room

Bronze Twigs Interiors LLC Lemons Residence

















OPPOSITE (from top): Installation of the "Compostela" glass mobile into the Faultless Starch/Bon Ami Headquarters won 360 Architecture the Gold Award for Interior I Best Use of Art; Kathleen Ramsey of Ramsey Interiors won the Silver Award in this category for her private residence design; and Stephanie Abramson took home bronze.

THIS PAGE (clockwise from top left): Lindsay DeViney's Gold Award-winning design for Portfolio Kitchen & Home in the Interior I Kitchen category; Jill Tran's dual Interior I Living Room awards, the first (top) gold and the second (center right) bronze; Kira Satarova's second winning design for Portfolio, this time a silver winner in the Interior I Living Room category; Kim Ebner Designs' kitchen remodel won the Bronze Award for the kitchen category; Portfolio's DeViney also claims the Silver Award for the kitchen category.

Interior | Traditional Design Gold John Rufenacht Associates Inc. Pebble Beach House

> Silver NSPJ Architects The Oread

Bronze R.S. Bickford & Co. Forner-LaVoy Residence

Interior I Contemporary Design Gold Wendlandt & Stallbaumer Embry Residence

Silver Compass Architecture Inc. McCondo

> Silver H2B architects Teadrops Project

Bronze John Rufenacht Associates Inc.
Houston Contemporary

Craftsmanship

Gold Studiobuild Custom Office Furniture for SBMAC

Silver Hoffman Cortes Contracting Co. Mainstreet AMC Theatre Restoration

Bronze Wendlandt & Stallbaumer
Barnhill Residence

Outdoor

Gold John Rufenacht Associates Inc. Evening Place Garden

Silver Hoffman Cortes Contracting Co. Women's Leadership Fountain

> Bronze el dorado inc Pedestrian Strands

Green

Gold el dorado inc Kansas City, MO, Vehicle Impound Facility

> **Silver** JE Dunn Construction JE Dunn Corporate Headquarters

Bronze McCown Gordon Construction LLC UMB New Banking Center

Architecture I Historical Renovation Gold Hoffman Cortes Contracting Co. Faultless Starch/Bon Ami Headquarters

Gold 360 Architecture Faultless Starch/Bon Ami Headquarters

Silver Clockwork Architecture + Design Studio Dan Meiners Project

Bronze Gastinger Walker Harden Architects *Urban Carbide & Larue Renovation*





THIS PAGE: The Spaces, Inc. showroom (designed by the team at Spaces, Inc.) won the Gold Awar for Interior I Office (top); the Indigo Wild Global Headquarters by design Eric Negrete (dEN) took home silver in this category.

OPPOSITE PAGE (clockwise from left): John Rufenacht Associates' Pebble Beach project won the Gold Award for Interior | Traditional Design; Jill Tran Interior Design's gold-winning and Noble Design silver-winning Interior | Children's Room entries; The Oread in Lawrence, which garnered NSPJ Architects Silver Awards in the Interior | Traditional Design and Architecture | Traditional categorie and a Bronze Award for Architecture | Exterior.











Architecture I Exterior Gold R.S. Bickford & Co. Silverstein Residence

Silver Wendlandt & Stallbaumer Galamba Residence

> Bronze NSPJ Architects The Oread

Architecture I Interior Gold DLR Group Eudora Elementary School

Silver Portfolio Kitchen & Home NFM Kitchen Design Studio

Bronze Clockwork Architecture + Design Blanc Burgers + Bottles | Plaza

> Architecture I Traditional Gold Wendlandt & Stallbaumer Galamba Residence

> > Silver NSPJ Architects The Oread

Bronze Williams Spurgeon Kuhl & Freshnock Architects Gamber Center

Architecture I Contemporary Gold Wendlandt & Stallbaumer Embry Residence

Silver Hufft Projects Modern With a Side of Ranch

Bronze Portfolio Kitchen & Home Hornbaker Project







