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Nearly 100 CBIA Members Garner Coveted Gold Nugget Awards at PCBC

CBIA members again proved they're the Best in the West by garnering grand awards in 41 out of the 52 Gold Nugget Award categories. The Gold Nuggets, which have been the coveted honors for architectural design and land-use planning for 42 years, were presented during an awards ceremony at PCBC that was attended by about 1,200 building industry professionals. In all, 94 CBIA members received Gold Nugget honors – grand awards, awards of merit, special awards, or a combination. The grand awards presented to CBIA members are described on the following pages. The table on Page 37 lists each CBIA member and how many awards that member received.

The more than 650 entries were sent from 14 Western states and several countries around the Pacific Rim. The entries were judged by these industry professionals: Bob Clauser, Pardee Homes; Thomas Cox, AIA, Thomas P. Cox Architects; Jeffrey DeMure, AIA, Jeffrey DeMure + Associates Architects Planners; Tom Doucette, Doucette Communities; Jonathan Segal, FAIA, Jonathan Segal Architects; Jenny Sullivan, Builder magazine; J. Robert White, ForestStudio; Roger Wolf, AIA, Van Tilburg, Banvard & Soderbergh; and Glen Zahorka, Malibu Homes.

Judges' Special Award of Excellence

Alegria Apartments
Los Angeles

Architect: Birba Group Architects
Contractor: Fassberg Construction



Judges' Statement: The judges were pleased to acknowledge this unique project with a "Judges' Special Award of Excellence." Conceived as "an oasis" for families in crisis, this 1.6-acre project provides transitional housing for families affected by HIV/AIDS. Simply put, the whimsical design put a smile on the judges' faces, and most importantly, they felt the light-hearted design approach is just what these families deserved.