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McGraw-Hill Construction Announces National Best of the Best Awards

New York – January 23, 2009 – McGraw-Hill Construction (MHC) is pleased to announce the winners of its first annual [Best of the Best Awards](#), a national competition that recognizes design and construction excellence based on regional winners of MHC's 11 Regional Publications' Best of 2008 Awards. Winners will be profiled in the April 2009 issues of all 11 Regional Publications and in the March 9 issue of *Engineering News-Record*. A slideshow is available at ENR.com.

“The judges for our inaugural national awards were very impressed by the caliber of projects submitted,” said Janice Tuchman, editor-in-chief, *Engineering News-Record*. “It’s important for our industry to celebrate the many positive achievements accomplished in 2008, especially during the current economic times.”

Out of 225 regional winners, an independent jury of construction professionals selected 70 national finalists and 23 national winners in 22 categories. Projects were judged for innovation, contribution to the community, aesthetic quality, and craftsmanship.

McGraw-Hill Construction's 2008 Best of the Best Award Winners:

- **Architectural Design - Cathedral of Christ the Light**, Oakland, CA; submitted to *California Construction* by Webcor; and **Hunt Oil Corporate Headquarters**, Dallas, TX; submitted to *Texas Construction* by Beck Group
- **Bridges - US 17-92 General Hutchison Pedestrian Bridge**, Seminole County, FL; submitted to *Southeast Construction* by Ayres Associates
- **Civil/Public Works - Harvey Canal Sector Gates**, Harvey, LA; submitted to *South Central Construction* by Boh Bros. Construction Co. LLC
- **Cultural - The Newseum**, Washington, DC; submitted to *Mid-Atlantic Construction* by Turner Construction
- **Government - Social Security Administration SE Payment Center**, Birmingham, AL; submitted to *South Central Construction* by Faithful+Gould Inc.
- **Green Building - ASU Polytechnic Academic Complex**, Mesa, AZ; submitted to *Southwest Contractor* by RSP Architects and DPR Construction
- **Health Care - Michael F. Price Center for Genetic and Translational Medicine/Harold and Muriel Block Research Pavilion, Albert Einstein College of Medicine at Yeshiva University**, New York, NY; submitted to *New York Construction* by Tishman Construction Corp.
- **Higher Education - New Library-Morgan State University**, Baltimore, MD; submitted to *Mid-Atlantic Construction* by Design Collective and Hess Construction + Engineering Services
- **Industrial - Western Dairies**, Yerington, NV; submitted to *Southwest Contractor* by RHP Mechanical Systems
- **Interior - Walter P. Moore Office**, Houston, TX; submitted to *Texas Construction* by Gensler
- **K-12 Education - San Ysidro High School Phase II**, San Ysidro, CA; submitted to *California Construction* by Sundt Construction
- **Landscape/Urban Design - Public Farm One**, Long Island City, NY; submitted to *New York Construction* by Leslie E. Robertson Associates
- **Office - Comcast Center**, Philadelphia, PA; submitted to *Mid-Atlantic Construction* by L.F. Driscoll Co. and Hill International

- **Project Management - Five Libraries**, King County, WA; submitted to *Northwest Construction* by BNBuilders
- **Renovation/Restoration - Utah State Capitol Restoration**, Salt Lake City, UT; submitted to *Intermountain Contractor* by Jacobsen Construction
- **Residential - 3344 Peachtree**, Atlanta, GA; submitted to *Southeast Construction* by Hardin Construction
- **Retail/Hospitality - Paradise Lodge**, Mt. Rainier National Park, WA; submitted to *Northwest Construction* by Watts Construction/Korsmo Construction
- **Small Project - Los Lunas Silvery Minnow Refugium**, Los Lunas, NM; submitted to *Southwest Contractor* by HDR Engineering Inc.
- **Specialty Contracting - The Crystals at CityCenter**, Las Vegas, NV; submitted to *Southwest Contractor* by Schuff Steel Co.
- **Sports/Recreation - College of New Rochelle Center For Wellness**, New Rochelle, NY; submitted to *New York Construction* by ikon.5 architects
- **Transportation - METRO Light Rail Line Section 5**, Tempe/Mesa, AZ; submitted to *Southwest Contractor* by Sundt/Stacy & Witbeck
- **Worship - Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart**, Houston, TX; submitted to *Texas Construction* by Linbeck

Best of the Best Panel of Judges:

- Wink Ames, principal, Minard-Ames Insurances Services, Phoenix, AZ
- Wayne Crew, executive director, Construction Industry Institute, Austin, TX
- Jim Duncan, chairman and chief engineer, Sparling, Seattle, WA
- Lauren Evans, president, Pinyon Environmental Engineering Resources, Lakewood, CO
- Aleisha Jaeger, project manager, Opus North Corp., Indianapolis, IN
- Ken Levien, president, Levien & Co., New York, NY
- Diane Miller, vice president, Shaw Construction, Denver, CO
- Richard Sliwoski, director, Va. Department of General Services, Richmond, VA
- Tim Snyder, construction manager, The Trump Organization, Chicago, IL
- Tom Sofranko, interim dean, LSU School of Architecture, Baton Rouge, LA
- Matthew S. Stevens, president, Stevens Construction Institute, Winter Park, FL
- Hans Van Winkle, president, program management group, Hill International, Marlton, NJ
- Hraztan Zeitlian, vice president & director of design, Leo A. Daly, Los Angeles, CA

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