

OHBA ANNOUNCES AWARDS OF DISTINCTION WINNERS FOR 2014

September 22, 2014... Ottawa, Ontario - Minto Communities, captured top honours when it was named 2014 Ontario Home Builder of the Year by the Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA). The GTA-Ottawa based company excels in its commitment to energy efficient, high-quality craftsmanship in its new home construction and creative approaches to sales and marketing. With close to 60 years of experience in the home building industry, Minto Communities has built their reputation on their promise to not just build homes but to create functional neighbourhoods where people can work, live and play. Minto's commitment to build environmentally-friendly communities has placed the firm at the top-tier of the industry in Ontario.

In a new category this year, OHBA presented **OakWood Renovation Experts** with the **2014 OHBA Ontario Renovator of the Year** Award. Based in Ottawa, Oakwood has built an enviable reputation as a leading renovation firm during their 58-year commitment to high-quality customer service and giving back to the community. Oakwood staff and renovators adhere to a strict code of ethics, continually embrace new technologies and building practices and incorporate 'Green' practices to minimize pollution and waste to reduce the environmental impact of their construction projects.

Both Ontario Builder and Renovator of the Year Awards are presented to the companies that demonstrates the highest levels of performance, creativity and ingenuity based on judging criteria in the areas of sales and marketing excellence, floor plan design, community service, support of the industry and its ability to adapt to changing needs.

Other Prestige Award winners include:

Project of the Year - Low Rise: Aspen Ridge Homes for Kleinburg Hills - Kleinburg

Project of the Year - High or Mid-Rise: Great Gulf Homes for Yonge + Rich - Toronto

People's Choice Award: Cable Bridge Enterprises Ltd. for Treetops - New Tecumseth

There are 39 categories in the 2014 OHBA Awards of Distinction program honouring innovation and excellence in the areas of design and sales and marketing and the following companies took home first place awards in 2014:

ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN

Most Outstanding Production Built Home (One storey)

J. Corsi Developments Inc. for: The Vermouth - Sudbury

Most Outstanding Production Built Home (Two storeys up to 2500 sq. ft.)

Eastforest Homes Ltd. for: Vista Hills "Cottonwood" - Waterloo

Most Outstanding Production Built Home (Two storeys 2501 sq. ft. and over)

Fusion Homes for: Sunningdale Green "Renaissance" - London

Most Outstanding Attached Multi-Unit Home (semi/town home/stacked)

Premium Building Group for: Winter Duet – St. Catharines

Most Outstanding Custom Home (Up to 3000 sq. ft.)

Delta-Rae Homes for: Custom Home "Calabria" - Whitby

(credit to: Hunt Design)

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Most Outstanding Custom Home (3001-5000 sq. ft.)

Whitehall Homes & Construction Ltd. for: Westdale Project "Transitional Design" - Oakville

Most Outstanding Custom Home (5001 sq. ft. and over)

Fourteen Estates Ltd. for: The Sandpiper - Port Perry

Most Outstanding Mid-Rise Building (4 - 10 storeys)

MADY Development Corp. for: Brookdale on Avenue Road – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: RAW Design, McOuat Partnership Marketing)

Most Outstanding High-Rise Building (11+ storeys)

Great Gulf Homes for: Monde Condos - Toronto

(credit to: Cecconi Simone, Quadrangle Architects Ltd., Community)

Most Outstanding High or Mid-Rise Condo Suite (4+ storeys up to 800 sq. ft.)

Adi Development Group Inc. for: Link Condos + Towns "Tempus" – <u>Burlington</u> (credit to: Raw Architects, Drive Agency)

Most Outstanding High or Mid-Rise Condo Suite (4+ storeys 801 sq. ft. and over)

Rosehaven Homes for: The Randall Residences "Galbraith" – <u>Oakville</u> (credit to: Ferris Rafauli Architectural Design, Richard Wengle Architect Inc.)

RENOVATIONS

Most Outstanding Home Renovation (Actual Retail Value up to \$250,000)

Prycon Custom Building and Renovations Inc. for: Waterfront Contemporary Addition – <u>Midland</u> (credit to: Contractors Rental Supply, Duncan Drywall, Robinson Enterprises)

Most Outstanding Home Renovation (Actual Retail Value between: \$250,001 - \$500,000)

Lagois Design - Build - Renovate for: Next Level Bungalow - Ottawa

Most Outstanding Home Renovation (Actual Retail Value over \$500,001)

Barbini Developments Inc. for: Talwood – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: Clearsphere)

Most Outstanding Kitchen Renovation

Timberworx Custom Homes for: Modern Legacy – <u>Milton</u> (credit to: Stonex)

Most Outstanding Bathroom Renovation

Timberworx Custom Homes for: Evening in Paris - Puslinch

ROOM DESIGN

Most Outstanding New Home Kitchen (New home up to 2000 sq. ft.)

Lucchetta Homes for: Hunter's Pointe, the Residences - Welland

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Most Outstanding New Home Kitchen (New home 2001 sq.ft. and over)

Castleform Developments Inc. for: 29 Yorkview – North York (credit to: My Design Studio)

Most Outstanding High or Mid-Rise Condo Suite Kitchen

Great Gulf Homes for: Monde Condos – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: Cecconi Simone, Quadrangle Architects Limited)

Most Outstanding New Home Bathroom

Aspen Ridge Homes for: Upper West Side – Thornhill

PROJECT IMAGE & ADVERTISING

Best Video Low-Rise Project (1-3 storeys)

Georgian International Build Corp. for: Braestone - Oro-Medonte

Best Video High or Mid-Rise Project (4+ storeys)

Urban Capital and Malibu Investments for: Smart House – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: 52 Pick-up Inc., ZeroFractal Studio Inc.)

Best Use of Social Media

Monarch Corporation for: Tranquility – <u>Ajax</u> (credit to: McOuat Partnership Marketing, PMA Brethour Realty Group)

Best Website (Builder or Renovator)

Urban Capital and Malibu Investments for: Smart House – http://smarthousetoronto.com/ (credit to: 52 Pick-up Inc.)

Best Low-Rise Ad Campaign (1-3 Storeys)

Monarch Corporation for: Monarch Corporation – North York (credit to: McOuat Partnership Marketing)

Best High or Mid-Rise Ad Campaign (4+ Storeys)

Urban Capital and Malibu Investments for: Smart House – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: 52 Pick-up Inc.)

Best Project Logo Branding (For individual community logo)

Cable Bridge Enterprises Limited for: Treetops – <u>New Tecumseth</u> (credit to: Brookfield Residential, Orchard Ridge Homes, BAM Builder Advertising and Marketing Inc.)

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ON-SITE SALES PRESENTATION

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Best New Home Sales Office (Up to 1500 sq. ft.)

Pratt Homes for: Yonge Station - Barrie

Best New Home Sales Office (1501 sq. ft. and over)

Great Gulf Homes for: Yonge + Rich – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: Burdifilek Interior Design, Community)

Best Design/Decor Centre

Brookfield Residential - Markham

Best Interior Decorating - Model Home/Suite (Up to 2000 sq. ft.)

Marz Homes for: Azure - The Emerald - Grimsby

and

Glenview Homes for: Monahan Landing - The Adirondack - Kanata

Best Interior Decorating - Model Home/Suite (2001 sq. ft. and over)

Mattamy Homes Ltd. for: The Preserve - Oakville - The 50' Oriole - <u>Oakville</u> (credit to: Gardy Interiors Ltd., Q4 Architects Inc., Payne & Associates)

Best Low-Rise Project Sales Brochure (1-3 Storeys)

Paradise Developments for: Aurora Trails – <u>Aurora</u> (credit to: G. Ryan Design, Hunt Design Associates Inc.)

Best High or Mid-Rise Project Sales Brochure (4+ storeys)

Great Gulf Homes for: Yonge + Rich – <u>Toronto</u> (credit to: Community)

PRESTIGE AWARDS

Project of the Year - Low-Rise (Model homes must be open to the public)

Aspen Ridge Homes for: Kleinburg Hills - Kleinburg

Project of the Year - High or Mid-Rise (Must be 50% pre-sold)

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