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Texas/Oklahoma Chapter

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"Announcing the 2006 IIDA Texas Oklahoma Chapter Awards"

The Texas Oklahoma Chapter of International Interior Design Association awarded their 2006 Design Excellence Awards on Friday August 25, 2006 at their annual cocktail Gala hosted at the Hilton Anatole. Awards were given in seven categories, Institutional/Education, Commercial, Residential, Healthcare, Hospitality, Retail, and Sustainability.

Also presented were the Sponsor of the Year Awards and the highly coveted Pinnacle Award. The Pinnacle is the highest honor IIDA can bestow upon a design firm. The award is granted only to firms that have consistently contributed to the highest aspiration of the profession, community and the IIDA while remaining committed to enhancing the quality of life through excellence in interior design.

2006 Design Excellence Awards

Institutional/Educational Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient, Entry

Project: **United Way Center
Houston, Texas**

Design Firm: **Gensler - Houston**

Commercial Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **HOK- Office 37
Houston, Texas**

Design Firm: **HOK - Houston**

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Commercial Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Firehouse Headquarter Office**
Dallas, Texas

Design Firm: **Gensler - Dallas**

Commercial Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Tocquigny Co.**
Austin, Texas

Design Firm: **Lauckgroup**

Commercial Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Corporate Headquarters**
Houston, Texas

Design Firm: **Morris Architects**

Commercial Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient, Entry

Project: **Susman Godfrey L.L.P.**
Dallas, Texas

Design Firm: **Gensler - Houston**

Residential Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient, Entry

Project: **Hidden Cove**
Austin, Texas

Design Firm: **Alterstudio**

Healthcare Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Memorial Hermann, The Woodlands
Diagnostic Imaging Center
*The Woodlands, Texas***

Design Firm: **Morris Architects**

Hospitality Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Blu Sushi
*Naples, Florida***

Design Firm: **Peel Paulson Design Studio**

Hospitality Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient, Entry

Project: **Blue Man Group Theatre
*Las Vegas, Nevada***

Design Firm: **HKS, Inc.**

Retail Category

Honorable Mention Recipient, Entry

Project: **Mendota
*Houston, Texas***

Design Firm: **Gensler - Houston**

Retail Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient

Project: **Park Place Mercedes-Benz
Dallas, Texas**

Design firm: **GFF Interiors**

Sustainability Category

Design Excellence Award Recipient, Entry

Project: **Horizon Wind Energy
Corporate Offices
Houston, Texas**

Design Firm: **Kirksey - Houston**

2006 Pinnacle Award Recipients

Small Firm Recipient

Bennett Design Group

Houston, TX

Large Firm Recipient

Gensler

Dallas, TX

2006 Chapter Sponsor of the Year

Workplace Resource- Austin, TX

2006 City Center Sponsors of the Year

Austin, TX	Herman Miller Workplace Resource
Dallas, TX	bkm Total Office of Texas
Houston, TX	Furniture Marketing Group
San Antonio, TX	MasterTile
Oklahoma City, OK	Spaces, Inc.
Tulsa, OK	J&J / Invision

The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) works to enhance quality of life through excellence in interior design and to advance interior design through knowledge, value and community.

IIDA is a professional networking and educational association of 12,000 Members in nine specialty Forums, nine Regions, and more than 30 Chapters around the world. Additional information is available on the Texas/Oklahoma website www.iida-tx-ok.org.

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