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ONTARIO'S TOP INTERIOR DESIGNERS CELEBRATED AT THE 2014 ARIDO AWARDS GALA

Toronto, ON, September 17, 2014 – The Association of Registered Interior Designers of Ontario (ARIDO) announced the winners of its annual Awards program during a gala dinner last night at the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel in Toronto. One of the most highly regarded honours in the industry, the ARIDO Awards recognize excellence, innovation and creativity in interior design. This year's winners include a Project of the Year, three Awards of Excellence and 27 Awards of Merit.

ARIDO member Sharon Martens of the Calgary-based firm MartensGroup licenced interior design studio Ltd., received the coveted Project of the Year for the law offices of Gowlings LLP. With this project, Martens created a timeless and elegant space that is supportive of a contemporary workforce and attractive to a new clientele.

"ARIDO members consistently defy expectations, creating ground-breaking, world-class projects," said ARIDO president Greg Quinn. "This law office conveys a progressive yet professional image befitting a top tier firm."

As in past years, the ARIDO Awards showcase a wide range of interior design talent: from retail to residential and from corporate to institutional, as well as major restoration projects. In addition to Gowlings LLP, the Awards of Excellence include a residential project in Toronto, and the Cornell Community Centre and Library in Markham, Ont.

"ARIDO congratulates all award winners," said Quinn. "Their talent and commitment to design excellence strengthen ARIDO's position as the guardian of the highest standards for interior design in Ontario."

A complete listing of all award-winning projects is attached.

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About ARIDO

ARIDO is the professional association for interior designers in Ontario. ARIDO's mandate is to serve the interests of both the public and the interior design industry. It does so by registering interior designers who meet an established standard of education, experience and examination, and identifies them as such, so that the public may make an informed choice for quality service. For more information on ARIDO, please visit arido.ca.

2014 ARIDO Awards recipients:

PROJECT OF THE YEAR

PROJECT NAME: Gowlings LLP

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Sharon Martens, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: MartensGroup licensed interior design studio ltd.

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

PROJECT NAME: Home Theatre

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Nadia Cannataro, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: large [medium] design office

PROJECT NAME: Gowlings LLP

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Sharon Martens, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: MartensGroup licensed interior design studio ltd.

PROJECT NAME: Cornell Community Centre and Library

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Michelle M. Sta. Ana-Ascenzi, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: Perkins + Will

DESIGN TEAM:

Joanne D'silva, ARIDO

Elizabeth Livingston, ARIDO

AWARDS OF MERIT

PROJECT NAME: Thorncrest House

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Cathy Garrido, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: Altius Architecture Inc.

PROJECT NAME: 142 Kenilworth

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Johnson Chou, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: Johnson Chou Inc.

PROJECT NAME: House On Kings Cross

INTERIOR DESIGNER: Tania Bortolotto, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: Bortolotto Design Architect Inc.

PROJECT NAME: Shimmering Heights

INTERIOR DESIGNER: David A. Hooper, ARIDO

DESIGN FIRM: Powell & Bonnell

PROJECT NAME: The Galleria Luxury Hall West
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Diego Burdi, ARIDO and Tom Yip, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Burdifilek
DESIGN TEAM:
Tom Yip, ARIDO
Jeremy Mendonca, ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Squint Eyewear
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Andrew Gallici, ARIDO and Bradley Marks, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: designstead

PROJECT NAME: Mark Lash Flagship
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Diego Burdi, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Burdifilek
DESIGN TEAM:
Jeremy Mendonca, ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Simons Anjou
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Christopher Wright, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: figure3
DESIGN TEAM:
Andrew Gallici, ARIDO
Jessica Swift, ARIDO
Alicia Resendes, Intern ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Hudson's Bay Queen Street Footwear
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Ted Wilson, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: HBC Store Planning

PROJECT NAME: Mendocino
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Nadia Cannataro, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: large [medium] design office

PROJECT NAME: HUSK
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Vera Gisarov, ARIDO and Caroline Robbie, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Quadrangle Architects Limited

PROJECT NAME: The Advocates' Society
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Don Parker, ARIDO and Michel Arcand, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: IN8 Design Inc.
DESIGN TEAM:
Gillian Gregory, Intern ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Jackman Reinvents, Headquarters
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Guy Painchaud, ARIDO and Anthony Orasi, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: B+H Architects

PROJECT NAME: Autodesk
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Angela Hong Spinney, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: DIALOG
DESIGN TEAM:
Anne McCance, ARIDO
Susan Mole, ARIDO
Marilyn White, ARIDO
Kathy Winfield, ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Bloor West Dental Group, Dr. Carolyn Poon Woo
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Stephanie Kamburis, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Southside Design

PROJECT NAME: The Roy
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Kelly Cray, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: UNION31
DESIGN TEAM:
Andrea Pierre, Intern ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: 383 Sorauren
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Johnson Chou, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Johnson Chou Inc.

PROJECT NAME: Paul H. Cocker Architecture Gallery, Ryerson University
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Valerie Gow, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Gow Hastings Architects Inc.

PROJECT NAME: Yonge & Rich Presentation Centre
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Diego Burdi, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Burdifilek
DESIGN TEAM:
Jeremy Mendonca, ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: W Hotel Guangzhou – Guest Rooms
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Polly Chan, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Glyph Design Studio Inc.

PROJECT NAME: Stratus Bar & Restaurant
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Guy Painchaud, ARIDO and Heidi Painchaud, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: B+H Architects

PROJECT NAME: W Hotel Guangzhou – W Lounge
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Polly Chan, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Glyph Design Studio Inc.

PROJECT NAME: Legros & Motti
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Urszula Tokarska, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: SRP Architects

PROJECT NAME: Park Property Management Offices
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Dyonne Fashina, ARIDO and Caroline Robbie, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Quadrangle Architects Limited

PROJECT NAME: Reincarnated Residence Hardware
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Fenwick Bonnell, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Powell & Bonnell

PROJECT NAME: Cornell Community Centre And Library - Shelving
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Michelle M. Sta. Ana-Ascenzi, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Perkins + Will
DESIGN TEAM:
Joanne D'silva, ARIDO
Elizabeth Livingston, ARIDO

PROJECT NAME: Lululemon Yorkdale
INTERIOR DESIGNER: Caroline Robbie, ARIDO
DESIGN FIRM: Quadrangle Architects Limited