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***New York Construction Announces Best of '08 Winners***  
*~Newark's New Prudential Center takes home top prize~*

New York, N.Y.– ***New York Construction*** magazine is pleased to announce the winners of its Best of '08 awards program. The annual competition recognizes construction excellence from across the tri-state region.

An independent jury of industry experts judged a record 268 nominated projects earlier this week. Eligible projects were located in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut and substantially completed in the past year.

The 36 winners, including the overall Project of the Year, will be featured in the December issue of ***New York Construction*** and honored at an awards breakfast on Wednesday, December 10. The event will be held from 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. at the Marriot Marquis in Manhattan.

The jury awarded projects based on entry criteria including project management and client service, safety, design and functionality.

The entries were sorted by project type. Each category has one "Best Of" award winner and one or more awards of "Merit." The overall "Project of the Year" is determined by the jury to be the best of all entries. This year's Project of the year was given to the team that developed, designed and built the *Prudential Center* in Newark, N.J.

The winners, listed on the following pages, will be entered in the National Best of 2008 competition and judged against winning entries from other regions. Those winners, the first-ever National Best of '08 Awards, will be profiled in *Engineering News-Record*, *Constructor* as well as the 11 Regional Publications in March 2009.

**The Winners**

**Project of the Year:**

Prudential Center, Newark, N.J. (Owner: Devils Renaissance Development, submitted by Devils Arena Entertainment.)

**Best Adaptive Re-Use Project:**

Betances Community Center and Boxing Gym, Mott Haven, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Housing Authority; Submitted by Stephen Yablon Architects)

**Best Airport Project:**

JetBlue Terminal 5 at JFK International Airport, Queens, New York. (Owner: JetBlue Airways; Submitted by Turner Construction Company and Arup).

**Best Bridge Project:**

Hamilton Bridge Reconstruction, Brooklyn, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Department of Transportation; Submitted by Hardesty & Hanover and Kiewit Constructors)

**Best Cultural Project:**

Experimental Media and Performing Arts Center, Troy, N.Y. (Owner: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Submitted by Turner Construction Company)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** African Burial Ground National Monument, New York, N.Y. (Owner: General Services Administration/National Park Service; Submitted by PB)

**Best Green Project:**

Bank of America Building (One Bryant Park), New York, N.Y. (Owner: One Bryant Park LLC, a joint venture of Durst Organization and Bank of America; Submitted by Tishman Construction Corporation and Structure Tone Inc.)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** National Audubon Society Home Office, New York, N.Y. (Owner: National Audubon Society; Submitted by FXFOWLE)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** The Willow School Arts Barn, Gladstone, N.J. (Owner: The Willow School; Submitted by Joseph R. Loring & Associates)

**Best Health Care Project:**

Michael F. Price Center for Genetic and Translational Medicine/Harold and Muriel Block Research Pavilion, Albert Einstein College of Medicine at Yeshiva University, Bronx, N.Y. (Owner: Albert Einstein College of Medicine; Submitted by Tishman Construction Corporation)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Feinstein Institute for Medical Research, Manhasset, N.Y. (Owner: North-Shore Long Island Jewish Health System; Submitted by GACE Goldstein Associates Consulting Engineers)

**Higher Education Project:**

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Peter B. Lewis Library, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J. (Owner: Princeton University; Submitted by Barr & Barr, Inc)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Thomas Jefferson Hall, United States Military Academy Library and Learning Center, West Point, N.Y. (Owner: U.S. Military Academy at West Point; Submitted by STV Incorporated and J. Kokolakis Contracting)

**Best Residential Project:**

40 Mercer Street, New York, N.Y. (Owner: WXIV Mercer 40 LLC, a joint venture of Hines, Whitehall Group, EMJ Management and Hotels AB; Submitted by Pavarini McGovern)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** YVES, New York, N.Y. (Owner: Benjamin Saul/Marc Ravner; Submitted by Ismael Leyva Architects)

**Highway Project:**

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Interstate 86/U.S. Route 15 Interchange Reconstruction, Corning, N.Y. (Owner: New York State Department of Transportation; Submitted by Stantec)

**Hotel Project:**

**AWARD OF MERIT:** MGM Grand at Foxwoods, Mashantucket, N.Y. (Owner: Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation; Submitted by Bertino & Associates – URS)

**Best Industrial Project:**

New York Times Press Facility at College Point, College Point, N.Y. (Owner: The New York Times; Submitted by Turner Construction Company)

**Best Interiors Project:**

Reed Smith Conference Center, New York, N.Y. (Owner: Reed Smith LLP; Submitted by Hunter Robters)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Parry Office Building Renovation, Rochester, N.Y. (Owner and Submitting Firm: SEI Design Group)

**Best Marine Project:**

Hoboken Ferry Terminal and Clock Tower Restoration, Hoboken, N.J. (Owner: New Jersey Transit Corporation; Submitted by Tishman Construction Corporation of New Jersey)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Hudson River Park Pier 86 Restoration, New York, N.Y. (Owner: Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum/Hudson River Park Trust; Submitted by The Judlau Companies – Spearin Inc.)

**Best Mass Transit Project:**

Myrtle-Wyckoff Station Complex Rehabilitation, Brooklyn, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Transit; Submitted by Dattner Architects and Judlau Contracting)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Pelham Parkway Station Rehabilitation, Bronx, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Transit; Submitted by PB and Dattner Architects)

**Best New Office Project:**

Spector Group Long Island Offices, Woodbury, N.Y. (Owner: CLK Houlihan Parnes; Submitted by The Spector Group)

**Best Park/Landscape Project:**

Public Farm One, Long Island City, N.Y. (Owner: MoMA/P.S. 1 Contemporary Art Center; Submitted by Leslie E. Robertson Associates)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Riverside South Park Phase IV, New York, N.Y. (Owner: CPR/Extell Development Company; Submitted by Bovis Lend Lease LMB, Inc.)

**Best Public Works Project:**

Port Authority Ferry Terminal at the World Financial Center, New York, N.Y. (Owner: Port Authority of New York and New Jersey; Submitted by PANYNJ)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Grand Avenue Bus Depot and Central Maintenance Facility, Brooklyn, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Transit; Submitted by URS Corporation – for TishmanWashington Joint Venture)

**Best Renovation/Rehabilitation/Restoration Project:**

The Plaza Hotel, New York, N.Y. (Owner: El-Ad Properties LLC; Submitted by Tishman Construction Corporation)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** Bronx Zoo Lion House Reconstruction, Bronx, N.Y. (Owner: New York City Department of Design and Construction; Submitted by Hill International)

**Best Retail Project:**

Ermenegildo Zegna Flagship Boutique, New York, N.Y. (Owner: Ermenegildo Zegna; Submitted by Shawmut Design and Construction)

**Best Pre-K-12 Education Project:**

North Shore Hebrew Academy, Great Neck, N.Y. (Owner: Arbor Commercial Mortgage LLC; Submitted by Spector Group)

**AWARD OF MERIT:** First Avenue District School, Newark, N.J.

**Best Small Project (Under \$10 Million)**

Brooklyn Academy of Music Canopy, Brooklyn, N.Y. (Owner: Brooklyn Academy of Music; Submitted by H3 Hardy Collaboration Architecture)

Museum of Modern Art Home Delivery Installation, New York, N.Y. (Museum of Modern Art; Submitted by F.J. Sciame Construction Co., Inc)

**Best Sports Facility Project:**

College of New Rochelle Center For Wellness, New Rochelle, N.Y. (Owner: The College of New Rochelle; Submitted by ikon.5 architects)

**Best Technology/Systems Project**

Woodbridge Statewide Traffic Management Center, Woodbridge, N.J. (Owner: New Jersey Turnpike Authority; Submitted by HNTB Corporation)

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