

# Southwest Contractor's

# 2004 Best of Awards



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Welcome to our annual “Best of 2004” awards edition. It's an exciting time for us as we see the fruits of the industry's labor during the past year and this year was no different. Our regional juries of judges reviewed 146 projects, a record amount of submissions.

Arizona led the way with a record 90 submissions, up from 45 in 2003. Nevada builders submitted 29 projects, down from 35 in 2003. In New Mexico, judges saw 27 project, also down from 35. This year, there were a total of 51 winners in the three states.

Every year, we assemble a jury in

Arizona, Nevada and New Mexico. Judges are chosen based on their industry experience and specialty. We include architects, engineers, general contractors and subcontractors on all juries.

The editor would like to thank the following people for taking the time to sit on our jury:

#### Arizona Jury

Ken Schacherbauer of Perini; Mark Soyster of Pulice Construction; Joshua Smith of Weitz Co.; Peter Kunka of Kunka Engineering; Steve Kennedy of Richard and Bauer; Heather Kincaid of Carter Burgess; Bill Corbin of Corbins Electric and John Tieman of Maverick Masonry.

#### Nevada Jury:

Steve Schiller of Martin & Peltyn Inc.; David Pugsley of Welles Pugsley Architects; Steve Swisher, Swisher Hall Architects; Mitch Adamic, Kitchell Contractors; Bill Curfman of CORE Construction; Rick Ewing of Las Vegas Paving; Rick Sellers of Carpenter Sellers Architects and Bill Mason of Taylor International.

#### New Mexico Jury:

Jason Harrington of HB Construction; Rick Tavelli of Bradbury Stamm Construction; Steven Perich of Dekker/Perich/Sabatini; Don May of Rodhe, May Keller McNamara Architects; Nancy Bartlett of Custer Baserich and Bruce Higgins of Tom Growney Equipment.

The editor would also like to thank the Arizona Contractors' Association, the Las Vegas Associated General Contractors and the New Mexico building branch of the AGC for graciously hosting our juries.

I invite our readers to attend our annual “Best of 2004/Outlook 2005” events. The event is scheduled for Dec. 7 at Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas and Dec. 9 at the Arizona Biltmore in Phoenix. For more info, call 866-727-3820.>>

- 1 Arizona Best of 19
- 2 Nevada Best of 58
- 3 New Mexico Best of 78

## Southwest Contractor Best of 2004 Steel Project Arizona State University Foundation

The ASU Foundation's design literally reflects the university's past. The new building's south side sheathed in highly reflective, low E glass that picks up the image of the Newman Center, one of oldest buildings on the ASU campus. The new building is clad in the traditional red brick found in many of the university's oldest buildings. Phoenix-based Sun Valley Masonry did the brickwork.

Looking to the future, a design team from the Phoenix offices of Gould Evans Associates and Architekton created a huge "sky window" that is framed by two large cantilevered vertical wings at the building entrance. The cantilevers also frame the Newman Center as you exit the building.

The \$25 million project entails the construction of not only a six-story office building, but a 1,200-space parking garage on a very tight 3.5-acre space. Designers also had to incorporate a bus transportation center into the design. The project features retail space fronting College Avenue and screening the parking garage. <<



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**Owner:** ASU Foundation

**Architect:** Gould Evans and Associates/Architekton

**General Contractor:** McCarthy Building Cos.

**MPE Engineers:** ESD Inc.

**Structural Engineer:** Paul Kohler Engineers

**Civil Engineer:** CMX Group

**Landscape Architecture:** Urban Earth Designs

**Steel Contractor:** Schuff Steel Inc.

**Major Subcontractors:** Advanced Terrazzo; AMEC Earth & Environmental; American Fence Co.; Andrews Design Group Inc.; Automated Access Systems, Inc.; B & B Glass Co.; Barrett Homes Contractors; BCS Enterprises, Inc.; Becho; Bel-Aire Mechanical, Inc.; Billioiu's; Blinds & Beyond by Wikler, Inc.; Brady-Aulerich & Associates, Inc.; Brittain Sealants; Buesing Corporation; Carl Walker Inc.; City Wide Contracting; Classic Roofing, Inc.; Commercial Door & Hardware, Inc.; Corbins Electric; Coreslab Structures, Inc.; Cornell-Metro Phoenix; Curtain Wall Design (CDC); Dakota Sealants; Desert Plains, Inc.; Dick & Fritsche Design Group; Dunn Del Re Steel, Inc.; EFCO Corporation; Eliason & Knuth of Arizona; Elward Construction Co., Inc.; Esser Design; European Pavers Southwest, Inc.; Franklin Striping; FWF Steel; Hanson Aggregates of Arizona, Inc.; ISEC; Kone Elevator; Lincoln Property Company Commercial Inc.; McCarthy Norburg; McGuckin Drilling; Mesa Insulation Specialists; T-Pac; Paint Co.; PCI; Phoenix Scaffolding Inc.; R.G. Poriss; Roadrunner Fire & Safety, Inc.; Schuff Steel; Smithcraft Signs; Southwest Gas; Spectra Contract Flooring; Sun Valley Masonry; Tempe Paint; Urban Accessories; Woody's Landscaping