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The Illuminating Engineering Society of British Columbia announces its
‘Vision Award’ winners for 2016

Awarded projects include UBC, SFU and L’Occitane en Provence Vancouver flagship store

(Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada): On June 2, the Illuminating Engineering Society of British Columbia (IESBC) announced its winners for the 2016 ‘Vision Awards’. The not-for-profit celebrates outstanding B.C. lighting engineers and designers for their local and international projects, and aids in the application of international award opportunities and IES’s ‘Illumination Awards’. Submissions for the ‘Illumination Awards’ open January 1, 2017.

IESBC’s ‘Vision Awards’ is stage one leading up to IES’s National ‘Illumination Awards’. This year’s winners in three categories include:

Award: The Edwin F. Guth Memorial Award for Interior Lighting Design
Project: UBC Student Union Building
Lighting Design Firm: AES Engineering LTD.
Location: Vancouver Office, Canada
http://aesengr.com

Award: The Outdoor Lighting Design Award sponsored by Eaton
Project: SFU’s New Observatory and Science Courtyard
Lighting Design Firm: Integral Group Consulting (BC) LLP
Location: Vancouver Office, Canada
http://www.integralgroup.com

Award: BC HYDRO Lighting Redesign Award
Project: L’Occitane en Provence Vancouver Flagship
Lighting Design Firm: Render Light & Planning
Location: Vancouver, Canada
http://renderlightandplanning.com

Submissions were judged locally based on how well the lighting design met the program criteria and is not a competition. This year’s IESBC judges included Shail Mahanti, Douglas Welch, Matt Davis and Carol Kelley.

IESBC aims to bring together the best of B.C.’s lighting professionals, including lighting designers, engineers, architects, interior designers, manufacturers, representatives and distributors. The organization offers monthly seminars to educate trade and residential designers as well as any one interested in learning more about the lighting industry.

For more information on IESBC, including membership, upcoming B.C. seminars, and how to get involved, visit www.iesbc.org

For information on the award submissions process, please contact the section chair at awards@iesbc.org.
ABOUT IESBC
Operating for over 60 years, IES British Columbia, a section of the Illuminating Engineering Society (IES), is a volunteer run, not-for-profit technical society dedicated to promoting the art and science of lighting. Known as the go-to community for the newest lighting codes and by-laws, IESBC provides an environment for sharing knowledge and ideas to advance the career paths of all its members. IESBC seeks to improve the lighted environment by bringing together those with lighting knowledge and translating knowledge into actions to benefit the public and provide support for emerging lighting professionals.

AWARDS

The Edwin F. Guth Memorial Award for Interior Lighting Design
In 1902 Edwin F. Guth founded the St. Louis Brass Company and later renamed it the Edwin F. Guth Company. Mr. Guth's profound creativity, entrepreneurialism and focus to improve interior lighting are partially represented through 147 patents awarded to him prior to his passing in 1962. This award recognizes exceptional interior lighting projects that balance the functional illumination of space with the artistic application of light to enhance the occupant's experience.

The Outdoor Lighting Design Award sponsored by Eaton
The Outdoor Lighting Design Award recognizes excellence in lighting design and application in all aspects of exterior lighting. The program celebrates achievements in aesthetics, applied technical acumen, creative solutions to demanding site conditions and advancements to the industry in outdoor lighting applications. The goal of the program is to further the understanding, knowledge and function of outdoor lighting as a critical aspect of the built environment.
*Previously named the Paul Waterbury Award for Outdoor Lighting Design. Now sponsored by Eaton.

BC Hydro Redesign Award
BC Hydro Power Smart presents the Lighting Redesign Award to recognize local talents that bring innovation and energy efficiency in lighting design. The Lighting Redesign Award recognizes quality lighting redesign, or major retrofit installations in existing commercial and industrial buildings, that incorporate advanced energy-saving strategies and environmentally responsible solutions into the overall design, without sacrificing visual interest.

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