IIDA AND ALA ANNOUNCE THE SECOND ANNUAL LIBRARY INTERIORS COMPETITION

(Chicago) - The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) and the American Library Association (ALA) are pleased to announce the winners of the inaugural Library Interior Design Competition. The biennial awards honor excellence in library interior design, incorporating aesthetics, design creativity, function, and satisfaction of the client's objectives. Ten winners, two projects of merit, and one honorable mention were selected from more than 100 projects submitted from throughout North America.

The distinguished panel of judges for the competition included: William Sannwald, Library Building consultant, San Diego; Susan Kent, director of the Branch Libraries, New York Public Library; Cary D. Johnson, FIIDA, Gensler, Chicago; and Neil Frankel, FIIDA, FAIA, principal, Frankel + Coleman. Lorraine Olley, executive director of the Library Administration and Management Association (LAMA), the division of ALA that administers the award program, served as facilitator for the judging, which took place on April 10, 2006.

Awards were selected in the following categories:

**Academic Libraries: 30,000 sq. ft. and smaller**
Project: Morton College Library – Cicero, Ill.
Firm: Legat Architects – Chicago.

**Academic Libraries: Over 30,000 sq. ft.**
Project: University Library, University of Ontario Institute of Technology – Ontario, Can.

Project: Christopher Center for Library and Information Resources, Valparaiso University – Valparaiso, Ind.

**Special Merit awarded to:**
Firm: Robert A.M. Stern Architects – New York, N.Y.

**Public Libraries: 30,000 sq. ft. and smaller**
Project: Incline Village Library – Incline Village, Nev.
Firm: Hershenson & Killenstein – Omaha, Neb.


**Honorable Mention awarded to:**
Project: International District/Chinatown Branch, Seattle Public Library – Seattle.
Firm: Miller Hayashi Architects, LLC – Seattle.
Public Libraries: Over 30,000 sq. ft.

Special Merit awarded to:
Project: ImaginOn, Public Library of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County - Charlotte, N.C.
Firm: Gantt Huberman Architects with Holzman Moss Architecture - Charlotte, N.C.

Single Space
Project: Nashville Public Library Civil Rights Collection - Nashville, Tenn.

Special Libraries: 30,000 sq. ft. and smaller
Project: Edward E. Hale Public School 106 Library - Brooklyn, N.Y.
Firm: Rockwell Group - New York, N.Y.

Innovation in Sustainable Design
Project: Desert Broom Branch, Phoenix Public Library - Phoenix.
Firm: Richard + Bauer Architects - Phoenix.

"On the Boards"
Firm: Richard + Bauer Architects - Phoenix.

Winners will be honored, and the "Best of Show" announced, at the ALA/IIDA Library Interior Design Awards Reception on Monday, June 26, 2006 during the ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. For ticket information, go to www.ala.org/annual or contact Fred Reuland freuland@ala.org for more information.

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LAMA (www.ala.org/lama), a division of ALA, encourages and nurtures current and future leaders, and develops and promotes outstanding leadership and management practices.

ALA's mission is to provide leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

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 11,000 Members in eight specialty Forums and more than 30 Chapters around the world. Additional information is available on IIDA’s website www.iida.org.