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IIDA ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF THE 7TH ANNUAL LATIN AMERICA DESIGN AWARDS

CHICAGO, IL — IIDA is honored to announce the winners of 2019 IIDA Latin America Design Awards. This competition was created to recognize, honor, and celebrate outstanding interior design/interior architecture projects that represent the highest level of creativity, originality, and design excellence in the Latin America and Caribbean regions.

“Each year, the Latin America Design Awards present us with outstanding examples of locally inspired, pioneering design projects that successfully reflect the communities and populations they serve,” said IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIIDA. “This year’s winning projects represent the best of visionary architecture and design in their respective regions.”

Entries were judged by a jury of design professionals, including Patricia Saldaña Natke, FAIA, founding partner, UrbanWorks; Nita Posada, IIDA, director of interior design, Skylab Architecture; and Enrique Vela, IIDA, AIA, associate principal, ROTTET STUDIO.

“The winners in this competition demonstrated an astute sense of placemaking within these projects,” said Posada on behalf of the jury. “We are pleased to be honoring such well-articulated interiors that speak the local languages.”

The winners of the 2019 IIDA Latin America Design Awards are:

**Corporate Space – Large**
Firm: AEI Arquitectura e Interiores, Bogota, Colombia
Project: AEI – Globant Biophilia, Bogota, Colombia

Firm: Sordo Madaleno Arquitectos, Mexico City, Mexico
Project: SMA – GSM OFFICES, Mexico City, Mexico

**Corporate Space – Small**
Firm: Gensler, Mexico City, Mexico
Project: JLL Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico

Firm: Gensler, San José, Costa Rica
**Project:** Sfera Legal, San José, Costa Rica

**Hotels**  
**Firm:** Gensler, San José, Costa Rica  
**Project:** Surf Simply

**Institutional**  
**Firm:** Gensler, San José, Costa Rica  
**Project:** Pre-Columbian Gold Museum, San José, Costa Rica

**Residences – Large**  
**Firm:** Adriana Hoyos Design Studio, Miami, Florida  
**Project:** The Yacht House, Nassau, Bahamas

**Firm:** CDM Casas de México, Zapopan, Mexico  
**Project:** TM House, Colima, Mexico

**Restaurants, Lounges, & Bars**  
**Firm:** Cadena Concept Design, Monterrey, Mexico  
**Project:** Mucho, Mexico City, Mexico

**Firm:** FaciLeboreiro Arquitectura, Mexico City, Mexico  
**Project:** Argentalia, Mexico City, Mexico

**Retail**  
**Firm:** Ampersand Studio Inc., Toronto, Canada  
**Project:** Hurley's, Grand Harbour, Cayman Islands

All entrants were eligible for an additional award, the Narrative Award, which recognizes a project with a compelling statement that described significant challenges or extraordinary circumstances that were overcome in order to deliver the project. The winner of this year’s Narrative Award is **Pre-Columbian Gold Museum by Gensler, San José, Costa Rica.**

All winners and the Best of Competition winner will be celebrated at an awards presentation and reception at the IDEA Studio at IIDA Headquarters in Chicago on July 25, 2019, from 6-8 p.m. Winning projects will also be published in an issue of *Contract* magazine, showcased on the [IIDA website](http://www.iida.org), and featured on IIDA social media channels to more than 300,000 followers.

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