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## IIDA ANNOUNCES THE BEST OF COMPETITION WINNER FOR THE 2011 GLOBAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS

January 23, 2012, Chicago, IL— The International Interior Design Association and BMW Group DesignworksUSA are pleased to announce the Best of Competition winner for the second annual [Global Excellence Awards](#): **Water Chamber in Suzhou** designed by **Shanghai Lv Yong Zhong Art & Design Co., Ltd.** in Shanghai, China. The Global Excellence Awards is an international Interior Design competition honoring the best in Interior Design projects from around the world. The winning entry was selected from 92 international design firms from 32 countries around the globe.

The Best of Competition winner was revealed and all winners were celebrated at a special presentation during [Maison&Objet](#) on January 21, 2012 in Paris, France. The Best of Competition winner received a one-of-a-kind Swarovski crystal award, unveiled for the first time at the ceremony, and was previously chosen from projects submitted in ten practice areas, including: Corporate Space Large, Corporate Space Small, Cultural/Institutional/Educational, Healthcare, Hotels, Municipal/Public Spaces, Residences, Restaurants, Retail and Spas/Fitness/Wellness Centers.

The 2011 judging panel included **Mari Balestrazzi**, Senior Vice President of Design at Morgans Hotel Group; **Julio Braga**, Design Principal at IA Interior Architects; **Patrick McEneany**, Creative Director of BMW Group DesignworksUSA and **Joey Shimoda**, IIDA, CEO of Shimoda Design Group.

The judges recognized the sophisticated style and excellent design in the Best of Competition winner **Shanghai Lv Yong Zhong Art & Design Co., Ltd.'s** project **Water Chamber in Suzhou**. "The project was elegant with restrained solution that weaved together a diverse program into a unified concept," said Mari Balestrazzi.

The category competition winners were announced in early December, 2011, representing the best of outstanding originality and excellence in the creation of international Interior Design/architecture projects.

### Corporate Space Large

*Best of Category:*

Project: Ropemaker, London, United Kingdom

Firm: Clive Wilkinson Architects, West Hollywood, California, U.S.A

### Corporate Space Small

*Best of Category:*

Project: Water Chamber, Suzhou, China

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Firm: Shanghai Lv Yong Zhong Art & Design Co., Ltd., Shanghai, China

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Tribal DDB Amsterdam, Amstelveen, The Netherlands

Firm: i29 interior architects, Duivendrecht, The Netherlands

**Cultural/Institutional/Educational**

*Best of Category:*

Project: University of Waterloo, Engineering Five, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada

Firm: Perkins+Will, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Laurence Church: a monument filled with stories, Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Firm: Kossmann.dejong, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**Healthcare**

*Best of Category:*

Project: Neo Derm The Centre, Hong Kong, China

Firm: PTang Studio Ltd., Hong Kong, China

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Infintus, Chengdu, China

Firm: Beige Design Ltd., Hong Kong, China

**Hotels**

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Maikhao Dream Villa Resort & Spa, Phuket, Thailand

Firm: dwp, Bangkok, Thailand

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Lijiang Pullman Resort and Spa Hotel, Yunnan, China

Firm: CCD/CHENG CHUNG DESIGN (HK) LTD., Hong Kong, China

**Municipal/Public Spaces**

*Best of Category:*

Project: Wuhan Mall City Cinema, Wuhan, China

Firm: One Plus Partnership Ltd., Hong Kong, China

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Beijing Palace Cinema in China World Trade Center, Beijing, China

Firm: One Plus Partnership Ltd., Hong Kong, China

**Residences**

*Best of Category:*

Project: The Wing and its Feather, Vaud, Switzerland

Firm: Interior Design Philosophy, Saint-Léger, Switzerland

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Y2 House, Kyoto, Japan

Firm: e-kafu/yasuyuki fukae Design, Osaka, Japan

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Ukrainian Loft, Kiev, Ukraine

Firm: 2B group, Kiev, Ukraine

**Restaurants**

*Best of Category:*

Project: Restaurant at the Lijiang Pullman Resort and Spa Hotel, Yunnan, China

Firm: CCD/CHENG CHUNG DESIGN (HK) LTD., Hong Kong, China

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Shang Palace & Li Bai Lounge, Taipei, Taiwan

Firm: AB Concept, Hong Kong, China

*Honorable Mention:*

Project: Der SPIEGEL Canteen, Hamburg Germany  
Firm: Ippolito Fleitz Group GmbH, Stuttgart, Germany

## **Retail**

### *Best of Category:*

Project: 24 ISSEY MIYAKE Hakata, Fukuoka, Japan  
Firm: MOMENT, Tokyo, Japan

### *Special Recognition Award:*

Project: 24 ISSEY MIYAKE Sapporo, Sapporo, Japan  
Firm: MOMENT, Tokyo, Japan

### *Special Recognition Award:*

Project: BAO BAO ISSEY MIYAKE Ginza, Tokyo, Japan  
Firm: MOMENT, Tokyo, Japan

### *Special Recognition Award:*

Project: BAO BAO ISSEY MIYAKE Tamagawa, Tokyo, Japan  
Firm: MOMENT, Tokyo, Japan

### *Honorable Mention:*

Project: American Rag Cie, Aichi, Japan  
Firm: MOMENT, Tokyo, Japan

## **Spas/Fitness/Wellness Centers**

### *Best of Category:*

Project: Donato Salon + Spa, Toronto, Ontario, Canada  
Firm: II BY IV Design Associates Inc., Toronto, Ontario, Canada

### *Honorable Mention:*

Project: Trent Community Sport & Recreation Centre, Peterborough, Ontario, Canada  
Firm: Perkins+Will, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

For more information about the Global Excellence Awards or next years' competition, contact Jenny Palmer at [jpalmer@iida.org](mailto:jpalmer@iida.org) or 312-379-5177.

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