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## **MINNESOTA CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION HONORS ITS MEMBERS WITH THE 2019 AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE**

Minneapolis, MN. 12 March 2019 – On March 6, 2019, the Minnesota Construction Association (MCA) honored its members for outstanding recently completed construction projects. The awards were presented at the annual MCA Awards of Excellence Gala at the Minneapolis Marriott West.

Congratulations to all of the Awards Recipients honored at the Gala:

**Terra Construction** won in the New Project Total Value Under \$15,000,000 category for the **College of Saint Benedict Athletic Complex**. Construction services for the College of Saint Benedict Athletic Complex were completed by Terra Construction in early 2018. The project resided on a 40-acre site. The scope included (3) intramural/multi-use fields, (2) soccer fields, (2) softball fields and a 20,000 sf Alumni Center housing locker rooms, restrooms, concessions, training facilities, alumni lounges and a press box.

In the New Project Total Value Over \$15,000,000 category, **Kraus-Anderson** won for the **Kraus-Anderson Headquarters Office**. The new 5-story headquarters was the first phase of a redevelopment of the KA Block that elevates the company's longtime commitment to downtown. The headquarters consolidates the cultures of three distinct offices, once spread throughout the Minneapolis metro and surrounding suburbs, and creates a modern, vibrant workplace for 300 employees that blends high-tech efficiencies with legacy features.

**Donlar Construction** won in the Renovation, Expansion or Tenant Improvement Project category for the **College of St. Benedict Caedmon, Wendelin and Artisan Studios Renovation** project. Building on a rich heritage, the College of St. Benedict acquired and repurposed three historic monastic buildings for use as their new administrative and admission offices. They hired Donlar as CM@r to build a link addition between Caedmon Hall and Artisans Studios and completely renovate and upgrade all three buildings.

In the Government Construction Project category, **Adolfson & Peterson Construction** won for the **Sherburne County Court Addition** project. The Sherburne County

Expansion and Renovation project includes a 95,000 sf addition to an existing Government and Jail. The addition included five courtrooms, two adjacent secure holding areas with two cells each and direct connections to the jail through a skyway and series of secure elevators, offices for the county attorney, court administration, community corrections and judge's chambers.

**Kraus-Anderson** won in the Green/Sustainable Project category for the **Minnesota DNR Glenwood Area Fisheries**. This project included the renovation of the Old Main Heating Plant building to add combined heat and power generation equipment to create a multi-functional Old Main Utility Building. The new Energy Plant connects to the existing Gopher substation and the University's utility system.

In the Research, Innovation or Use of Technology category, **Inspec, Inc. Engineers/Architects/Consultants** won for **The Re-Installation of Tableau – A Native American Mosaic**. The City of Minneapolis retained Inspec to design an innovative support system under their sidewalk mosaic artwork titled "Tableau" by George Morrison, which would provide distributed structural support for the expected vehicular traffic, while at the same time provide for moisture percolation thereby avoiding cracking and degradation associated with frost heave.

**Empirehouse, Inc.** won in the Subcontractor/Specialty Contractor category, for the **Pentair** project. Empirehouse teamed with Greiner Construction and Studio BV on the remodel of the Pentair Suite on Floors 7-9 of The Colonnade Building as the architectural glass and metal contractor and design assist partner. Unique features: Feature wall made up of 29 digitally printed pieces of glass, 60-minute fire-rated glass system, and custom all-glass door hardware.

Each year, the Minnesota Construction Association recognizes a project that was completed as a result of resourceful blending of construction techniques and professionals. The 2019 recipient of the MCA Choice Award was **RJM Construction** for the **Treasure Island Center** project. RJM Construction transformed the former Macy's store in downtown St. Paul into the Treasure Island Center. The project includes a mix of office and retail tenants, topped off by a 1,100-seat hockey practice facility.

The rooftop NHL-sized ice rink, named TRIA Rink, is the most distinctive feature of the building. Crews placed a 100,000-pound crane atop the roof to hoist structural steel, mechanical equipment and other supplies. This innovative idea saved the owner over \$1 million and two months of scheduled time.

In addition to the core and shell renovations, RJM led many tenant build-outs. These projects included space for the Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. RJM also built a 6,000-square-foot orthopedic clinic for TRIA on the first floor of the building.

The project was successfully completed in January 2018 with help from multiple MCA member companies with tenant buildouts continuing into the future.

MCA also honored outstanding companies and individuals at the Awards of Excellence Gala. These awards acknowledge the exemplary work and dedication to quality construction by our members.

General Contractor of the Year – **Greiner Construction**

Subcontractor of the Year – **Atomic Recycling, LLC**

Service Provider of the Year – **Braun Intertec Corporation**

Design Professional of the Year – **BKBM Engineers**

Member of the Year – **Heather Grazzini-Sims**

The MCA is a non-profit association dedicated to providing networking and continuing education opportunities for professionals in the construction industry. For more information, contact the MCA Office at (952) 928-4646, email [info@mnconstruction.org](mailto:info@mnconstruction.org), or visit [www.mnconstruction.org](http://www.mnconstruction.org).