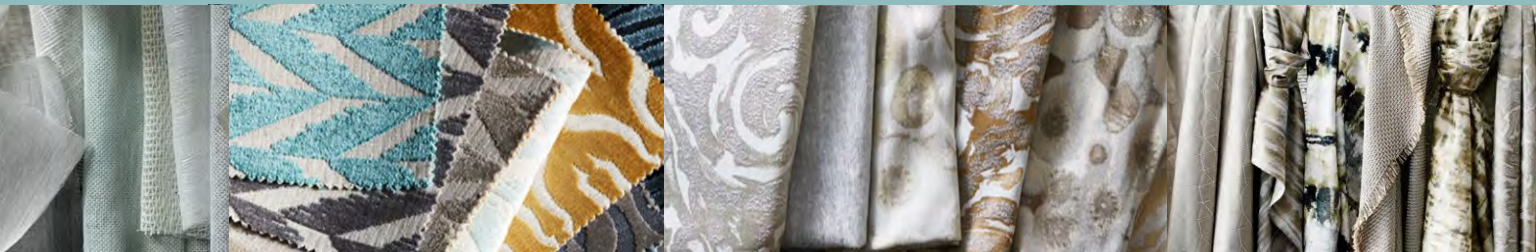


2019



SANDY **BANKS** | CURTIS **BREEDLOVE**



# CURTIS & SANDY

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INSPIRED &  
INSPIRATIONAL

COLLABORATIVE  
& CREATIVE

ORIGINAL &  
OPTIMISTIC

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NOTABLE



Curtis and Sandy, you have  
always been ICONs to us!

**Congratulations, from your P/K Contract Sales Team**

## **NEWH VISION**

The Hospitality Industry Network

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

NEWH is the premier networking resource for the hospitality industry, providing scholarships, education, leadership development, recognition of excellence and business development opportunities.

## **BRIEF HISTORY**

Founded in 1984, NEWH is an international non-profit organization with 28 chapters and regional groups across the US, Canada, the UK and France. NEWH brings together professionals from all facets of the hospitality industry, providing opportunities for education, professional development and networking. The organization offers unique opportunities including an international membership directory, Career Network, NEWH Magazine and sponsorship of leading industry expositions and conferences. To date, NEWH has given in excess of \$6 million USD in scholarships to over 2,400 students wishing to pursue careers in the hospitality industry.

# icon

i·con (ī'kŏn')

-noun

An image; a representation.

An important and enduring symbol.

One who is the object of great attention and devotion; an idol.

Each year NEWH gives out its most prestigious honor—the ICON of Industry. The award is presented at the Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Hospitality Design in New York City, held in conjunction with BDNY and HX: The Hotel Experience (formerly IHMRS) in November. The award celebrates the leaders of the manufacturing side of hospitality—those who have uniquely impacted the industry through their innovative work. They consistently dedicated their time and efforts to community or industry outreach through education and/or corporate giving and have been doing business in hospitality for more than 30 years. In addition, each year a \$7,500 international scholarship is given in the recipient's honor to one exemplary student who has a minimum 3.0 GPA, participated in an industry internship, and exemplifies the highest standards of professionalism.

# Industry ICON

Congratulations on such a deserving honor.



**Curtis Breedlove**

President of P/Kaufmann Contract



**Sandy Banks**

Western Sales Manager  
P/Kaufmann Contract

Your friends at **hospitality**design

Welcome to the 2019 Gold Key Awards and the celebration of this year's NEWH ICONS of Industry!

On behalf of NEWH, it is an honor to present Sandy Banks and Curtis Breedlove our 2019 NEWH ICON of Industry Awards. The ICON of Industry Award is our highest honor presented to a manufacturer with a minimum of 30 years in hospitality and who has shown extraordinary dedication and commitment to the industry.

Sandy Banks has catapulted herself into a wildly successful career in hospitality. Raised with DIY spirit and strong work ethic, she learned to sew her own clothes at the age of six, embarking on a lifelong love affair with fabric and its transformative power.

Sandy's reputation as a champion for her clients is well deserved, but her legacy as a champion for women in the hospitality industry may be even more enduring. Starting her career in the early 1980s, she pushed back against prevailing corporate expectations, finding inspiration in a growing network of women who, like herself, sought to forge their own path and redefine success in the world of business.

Curtis Breedlove grew up with a curiosity of other cultures and interest in art nurtured early on by his Danish mother and architect/builder father. The spin of the globe by a Danish friend led Curtis to Afghanistan, a journey on which he would make his first textile purchase in Mashhad, Iran.

Recognized as an accessible, collaborative leader committed to an honorable corporate culture, Curtis was inspired by P/Kaufmann, Inc. founder Peter Kaufmann, whose philosophy he continues to embrace: "Success, but not at any price."

The NEWH Tribute book contains more highlights of Sandy and Curtis' careers, as well as tributes from their friends and colleagues. This evening, we are pleased to showcase some of their many accomplishments and celebrate their success with you!

With the ICON Award, NEWH presents a special scholarship to an exceptional student meeting our high standards of academics, dedication and character. Our scholarship program has enabled over 2,400 students to complete their studies and enter their desired careers within hospitality. These students are bright and have proved to be an asset to the working environments they have joined. Many continue to give back to the industry by volunteering with their local NEWH chapters and playing an active role on the board.

To date, NEWH has awarded more than \$6 million in scholarships. It is only through generous support and contributions by dedicated members of this industry that NEWH is able to achieve this vital part of its mission—to encourage and elevate our future leaders. We sincerely thank you for your continued dedication and support!

In the spirit of networking,



Cynthia Guthrie, President, Guthrie & Associates, Inc.  
International President, NEWH, Inc.

# **RICHLoom**

— CONTRACT —

extends their congratulations to  
Curtis Breedlove and Sandy Banks



Maya Romanoff congratulates  
Icon of Industry recipients

Sandy Banks  
Curtis Breedlove

From one icon to another,  
thank you for making our world  
far more beautiful.



Pictured: Shimmering Burlap Wallcovering  
Andre Kikoski for Maya Romanoff



# CONGRATULATIONS

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TO THE ICONIC DUO

CURTIS



SANDY



**RAMSEY & ASSOC HAS LOVED WORKING AND PLAYING WITH  
YOU FOR THE PAST 30+ YEARS!**

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## SANDY BANKS, 2019 NEWH ICON OF INDUSTRY

**F**rom humble beginnings on a farm in Nebraska, Sandy Banks has catapulted herself into a wildly successful career in hospitality. Raised with a DIY spirit and strong work ethic, she learned to sew and make her own clothes at the age of six, embarking on a lifelong love affair with fabric and its transformative power. Unable to find clothes she liked in stores, Sandy designed and made her own wardrobe, strongly influenced by favorite designers Pucci, Paco Rabanne, Mary Quant and Rudi Gernreich. She discovered



**SANDY BANKS**

Western Sales Manager  
P/Kaufmann Contract

an early outlet for her passion as the art director for her high school theater troupe, making costumes, building sets and collaborating on designs that brought stories to life. Sandy majored in Art and studied architectural drawing in college but always followed her curiosity to seek out a creative education beyond the classroom. As a fabric store manager in Los Angeles, she expanded her love and knowledge of textiles, working with film studio costumers and museum textile restoration experts in addition to apparel and interior designers. It was this job that gave Sandy the creative, business and people skills that would prepare her for the next chapter in her career.

Sandy joined P/Kaufmann, Inc. in 1983, playing a key role in the formation of the company's Contract division, both as one of the first sales representatives and as an invaluable consultant on initial product and color lines. There she found a kindred spirit in Curtis Breedlove, an early mentor and current President of P/Kaufmann Contract, with whom she shared a background in art and design that influenced PKC's aesthetic and sales strategy. Sandy has been awarded PKC's Salesperson of the Year numerous times during the past 30 years. In 2010, she was promoted to Western Sales Manager, where she has consistently grown her business in key West Coast, Las Vegas and Hawaiian markets. Sandy has maintained and expanded a loyal base of clients and brands by championing her customers' design vision and bottom line; by asking the right questions and giving honest answers; and by conducting

business with integrity, passion and style.

Sandy's reputation as a champion for her clients is well deserved, but her legacy as a champion for women in the hospitality industry may be even more enduring. Starting her career as a working mother in the early 1980s, she pushed back against prevailing corporate expectations, finding inspiration in a growing network of women who, like herself, sought to forge their own path and redefine success in the world of business. Sandy joined NEWH in 1984 as one of its early members and currently serves on its International Board of Directors. Along with mentoring new P/Kaufmann Contract sales representatives, Sandy has been instrumental in developing NEWH's mentoring and scholarship programs; nurturing the best and brightest of hospitality's next generation as a way to pay forward all of the support and guidance she has received.

Family, creative pursuits and causes close to her heart fill Sandy's personal life. She counts daughter Amber—an educator and mentor to women in her own right—as her greatest achievement. Sandy still sews her own clothes and collects art and textiles during her extensive travels. The inspiration she derives from other cultures enhances her personal and professional design aesthetic and informs her worldview. Through her support of organizations including Wildlife Waystation, Earth Justice and the ACLU, Sandy expresses her passion for animal welfare, the environment and social justice.



# CURTIS BREEDLOVE, 2019 NEWH ICON OF INDUSTRY

Curtis Breedlove grew up in rural Minnesota with a freedom to roam that inspired him to seek out travel and adventure as a young man, including a European motorcycle odyssey and art school in Holbæk, Denmark. It was a spin of the globe by a Danish friend that led him, entirely by land, to Afghanistan, a journey on which he would meet his future wife and make his first textile purchase in Mashhad, Iran. Curtis displayed a budding entrepreneurial talent by financing subsequent trips through North Africa and South America by trading and selling local artwork and rugs. His curiosity about other cultures, facility for languages and interest in art and how things are made were nurtured early on by his Danish mother and architect/builder father and continue to ignite his wanderlust. This unique perspective guides Curtis's vision for what a guest should expect in a hospitality environment: "Travel is first and foremost an enlightening experience. The places one rests one's head should recharge and rejuvenate while being one's sanctuary away from home," he says.



## CURTIS BREEDLOVE

President  
P/Kaufmann Contract

With degrees in international business, marketing and economics, and a wealth of life experience under his belt, Curtis landed in New York City in the late 1970s. He translated his informal textile and business experience into a fabric sales position with United Merchants, where he was trained in all aspects of the industry – from design to product development and manufacturing. Curtis joined the P/Kaufmann group of companies in 1991 and has served for more than 25 years as the President of P/Kaufmann Contract. Under his leadership, the company grew from a team of five to become a global hospitality powerhouse with offices in New York, China, and India and sales

partners in key markets worldwide. Curtis has expanded his division's product range from its modest beginnings in heat transfer printing to a wide offering of prints, wovens, finished product, roller shades and IMO collections.

Curtis's passion for fabric and interiors is informed by a healthy obsession with every detail of the business – from design, delivery and installation – to building strong and lasting relationships with customers and suppliers. He is active in promoting socially and environmentally responsible business practices in his own company and all along the hospitality supply chain. Recognized as an accessible, collaborative leader committed to an honorable corporate culture, Curtis was inspired by P/Kaufmann, Inc. founder Peter Kaufmann, whose philosophy he continues to embrace: "Success, but not at any price."



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Sandy Banks is all that is good about our industry. Knowledgeable, responsible and kind.

I am proud to call her my friend  
and congratulate her as an  
*ICON of the Industry.*

So well deserved,  
Congratulations!

All the best,  
*Deborah Herman*

FABRIC  
INNOV  
ATIONS

My father used to call Curtis,  
that fine young man from P/Kaufmann.

He is exactly that, a fine man  
who carries himself  
with dignity and grace.

Congratulations Curtis!

You are definitely an  
*ICON of the Industry!*

Well deserved,  
*Deborah Herman*

## CAROLINA CARDONA, \$7,500 NEWH ICON OF INDUSTRY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT



CAROLINA CARDONA

**Florida International University**  
Interior Architecture/Cruise Ship  
and Super Yacht Design

### Winning this Scholarship

Obtaining the 2019 NEWH Icon of Industry Scholarship is a great honor. This recognition pushes me to further pursue my dreams of having a successful career. I am very grateful for the opportunity as it will allow me to focus wholeheartedly on my studies.

### Future Outlook

Having the opportunity to graduate with a master's degree within five years will allow me to start off my professional career ahead of the curve. Currently I am interning at EoA, allowing me to gain experience and apply my knowledge in the industry while still being in school. This enables me to enter the workforce with some real-world experience after graduation.

### Dream Job

I would love to travel and design super yachts and cruise ships around the world, applying all my knowledge towards improving this industry. I believe there should be a merge between hospitality and super yachts, and I want to help bridge the gap.

### What intrigues you the most about the hospitality industry?

Being able to shape people's experiences and feelings in a space. Creating a design that will evoke great energy and focusing on the relationship between people and the environment is what hospitality is all about.

### NEWH Involvement

I hope that my experiences and accomplishments can motivate my colleagues to participate in all the great events and scholarships NEWH offers. I look forward to encouraging the FIU Interior Architecture program to get more involved in the NEWH community.

**NEWH 2019**  
**ICON**  
of **INDUSTRY**  
**SCHOLARSHIP**



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**CURTIS & SANDY**

THANK YOU

FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP &  
DEDICATION TO OUR INDUSTRY

**We wish you continued success in  
all of your many endeavors!**

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# Congratulations Curtis & Sandy



**CURTIS BREEDLOVE**  
President  
P/Kaufmann Contract



**SANDY BANKS**  
Western Sales Manager  
P/Kaufmann Contract



## CONGRATULATIONS CURTIS AND SANDY!

2019 NEWH ICON of Industry

Your leadership and dedication to hospitality have been the source of constant admiration. We are grateful for your guidance, leadership and support on decades of projects. We are inspired by the generosity, friendship and the professionalism you have always shown. Thank you for your many contributions in our field.

Congratulations,  
Anita, Jeff and the entire D&D team

**Degen &  
Degen**

architecture and interior design



# CONGRATULATIONS CURTIS

THANK YOU  
FROM  
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GLOBAL  
DESIGN  
&  
PROCUREMENT



Dear Curtis & Sandy,  
*Congratulations!*

*You are truly ICONS and I've always looked up to you two. Sandy, thank you for your support – the animals love you 😊.*



*Michael Schneider*





**CURTIS BREEDLOVE**  
**and SANDY BANKS**

**You are Leaders, Visionaries  
and Role Models for  
Hospitality's Next Generation**

————— *and we* —————

**CONGRATULATE YOU**  
**ON BEING NAMED THIS YEAR'S**  
**NEWH ICONS OF INDUSTRY!**

Congratulations from the *Boutique Design* Team

# NEWH HONORS THE 2020 TOP INTERIOR DESIGNERS FOR THEIR CREATIVITY AND DEDICATION TO EXCELLENCE IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY!



## Arizona (Phoenix)

- » **Bar Napkin Productions**  
bnp-llc.com
- » **Ideation Design Group**  
ideationdg.com
- » **Mendil + Meyer Design Studio**  
mandmds.com

## Atlanta

- » **Design Continuum, Inc.**  
ddi.cc
- » **Gensler/Atlanta**  
gensler.com
- » **Sims Patrick Studio**  
simspatrickstudio.com

## Atlantic City/ Philadelphia Region

- » **APOP**  
apopdesign.com
- » **DAS Architects, Inc.**  
dasarchitects.com
- » **SOSH Architects**  
sosharch.com

## Chicago

- » **Aria Group Architects, Inc.**  
ariainc.com
- » **Sheedy/DeLaRosa Interiors**  
sheedydelarosa.com
- » **The Gettys Group**  
gettys.com

## Cincinnati Region

- » **CR architecture + design**  
cr-architects.com
- » **NELSON Worldwide**  
nelsonworldwide.com

## Dallas

- » **ForrestPerkins**  
forrestperkins.com
- » **MatchLine Design Group**  
matchlinedesign.com
- » **Studio 11 Design**  
studio11design.com

## Houston

- » **Curve Hospitality**  
curvehospitality.com
- » **Gensler/Houston**  
gensler.com

## Las Vegas

- » **Cunningham Group Architecture, Inc.**  
cunningham.com
- » **Klai Juba Wald Architecture + Interiors**  
klaijubawald.com
- » **Tandem**  
tandemlasvegas.com

## Los Angeles Founding

- » **Cunningham Group Architecture, Inc.**  
cunningham.com
- » **Minarc**  
minarc.com

## Memphis/Mid-South Region

- » **AK Design Group, LLC**  
akdesigns.net
- » **Looney Ricks Kiss**  
lrk.com

## New England Region

- » **DiLeonardo International**  
dileonardo.com
- » **Dyer Brown Architects**  
dyerbrown.com

## New York

- » **CetraRuddy Architecture**  
cetraruddy.com
- » **Krause Sawyer**  
krausesawyer.com

## North Central

- » **Cunningham Group Architecture, Inc.**  
cunningham.com
- » **DLR Group**  
dlrgroup.com
- » **Shea, Inc.**  
sheadesign.com

## Northwest (Seattle)

- » **Degen & Degen architecture and interior design**  
ddseattle.com
- » **Rice Fergus Miller**  
rfmarch.com
- » **The Society**  
welcometothesociety.com

## Orange County Region

- » **Margee Drews Design**  
margeedrewsdesign.com
- » **VANROOY design, LLC**  
vanrooydesign.com

## Pittsburgh Region

- » **Hospitality Furnishings & Design, Inc.**  
hfdcorp.com

## Rocky Mountain

- » **Johnson Nathan Strohe**  
jns.design
- » **Kimberly Timmons Interiors**  
ktinteriors.net
- » **OZ Architecture**  
ozarch.com

## San Francisco Bay Area

- » **BraytonHughes Design Studios**  
bhdstudios.com
- » **EDG Design**  
edgdesign.com
- » **ForrestPerkins**  
forrestperkins.com

## South Carolina Region

- » **LS3P**  
ls3p.com
- » **Pond**  
pondco.com

## South Florida

- » **Bigtime Design Studios**  
bigtimedesignstudios.com
- » **EoA, Inc.**  
eoagroup.com
- » **Interior Image Group, Inc.**  
iigdesign.com

## Sunshine

- » **Design Poole Inc.**  
designpoole.net
- » **L2 Studios, Inc.**  
L2studios.com
- » **Niemann Interiors**  
niemanninteriors.com

## Toronto

- » **Carver & Associates, Inc./ Toronto**  
carverassoc.com
- » **Design TWG**  
designtwg.com
- » **Moncur Design Associates, Inc.**  
moncur.ca

## United Kingdom (London)

- » **Boxx Creative**  
boxxcreative.com
- » **M Studio London**  
mstudiolondon.com
- » **twenty2degrees Design Partnership**  
twenty2degrees.com

## Vancouver Region

- » **CHIL Interior Design**  
chilidesign.com
- » **Hager Design International, Inc.**  
hagerinc.com
- » **Inside Design Studio Inc.**  
insidedesignstudio.com

## Washington DC Metro

- » **Bandura Design**  
banduradesign.com
- » **Baskervill**  
baskervill.com
- » **Studio Partnership**  
studiopartnership.net



To a woman that is as **kind and compassionate** as she is **fiery and driven**. We admire you deeply and love you even more. We could not be prouder to call you our mother, sister,

auntie, and GiGi.

**You are our hero.**

Love,

The Bachengranks

## Boutique Design Unveils 2019 Gold Key Finalists

Finalists have been announced for the 39th annual Gold Key Awards for Excellence in Hospitality Design, the industry's oldest and most prestigious awards program for hospitality interiors, sponsored by Boutique Design magazine. The 2019 Gold Key judges selected these standout projects from a highly competitive field of more than 430 submissions from design firms around the world.

### BEST ECO OR SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS HOTEL

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**Design Firm:** AvroKO, New York  
**Project:** Eaton Hong Kong  
**Client:** The Great Eagle Group, Hong Kong;  
**Purchasing Firm:** The Great Eagle Group, Hong Kong

**Design Firm:** Hirsch Bedner Associates (HBA), Singapore  
**Project:** Fairmont Maldives Sirru Fen Fushi, Shaviyani Atoll, Republic of Maldives  
**Clients:** SC Capital, Singapore; **Architect:** SCSY Studio, Singapore; **Purchasing Firm:** Cairncross Martin Co. Ltd., Bangkok

**Design Firm:** Looney & Associates, Dallas  
**Project:** The Lodge at Gulf State Park, a Hilton Hotel, Gulf Shores, Alabama  
**Clients:** State of Alabama and Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources by and through the University of Alabama Center for Economic Development, Tuscaloosa, Alabama;  
**Architect:** Lake Flato, San Antonio, Texas (design architect); Rabun Architects, Atlanta (architect of record); **Purchasing Firm:** Bray Whaler International, Centennial, Colorado

### BEST LOBBY FOCUSED SERVICE

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**Design Firm:** Chinese BDD Interior Design Firm, Chengdu, China  
**Project:** Berncy Hotel, Chengdu, China  
**Client:** Chinese LiMeiYunXi Hotel Management Co., Ltd., Chengdu, China; **Architect:** Chinese Chongqing Boding Building Design Co., Ltd., Chongqing, China; **Purchasing Firm:** Chinese LiMeiYunXi Hotel Management Co., Ltd., Chengdu, China

**Design Firms:** dash design, New York; FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC  
**Project:** Moxy Washington, DC Downtown  
**Client:** Douglas Development Group, Washington, DC; **Architect:** FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC; **Purchasing Firm:** The Stroud Group, Columbia, Maryland

**Design Firm:** Sheedy/DeLaRosa Interiors, Chicago  
**Project:** Hyatt Place/Hyatt House East Moline/Quad Cities, East Moline, Illinois  
**Client:** The Bend LLC, East Moline, Illinois;  
**Architect:** Legat Architects, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** CVC Hospitality Inc., Winter Garden, Florida

**Design Firm:** The Society, Seattle  
**Project:** Moxy San Diego Downtown/Gaslamp Quarter, California  
**Client:** J Street Hospitality, San Diego, California;  
**Architect:** Delawie Architecture, San Diego, California; **Purchasing Firm:** J Street Hospitality, San Diego, California

**Design Firms:** Rockwell Group, New York; Yabu Pushelberg, New York  
**Project:** Moxy Chelsea, New York  
**Client:** Lightstone Group, New York; **Architect:** Stonehill Taylor, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Lightstone Group, New York

### BEST LOBBY MIDSACLE

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**Design Firm:** Curioso, Chicago  
**Project:** The Wheelhouse Hotel, Chicago  
**Client:** Bedderman Lodging, Chicago; **Architect:** Norr, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** The Gettys Group, Chicago

**Design Firm:** Graduate Hotels In-house Design Team, Chicago  
**Project:** Graduate Eugene, Oregon  
**Client:** Graduate Eugene, Chicago; **Architect:** Johnson Braund, Tukwila, Washington; **Purchasing Firms:** AJ Capital Partners, Chicago; Graduate Hotels, Chicago

**Design Firms:** HVS Design, Rockville, Maryland  
**Project:** The Blake Hotel, New Haven, Connecticut  
**Client:** RMS Companies, Stamford, Connecticut;  
**Architect:** JN+A, Rockville, Maryland; **Purchasing Firm:** Purchasing Dimensions LLC, Somers, Connecticut

**Design Firm:** Stonehill Taylor, New York  
**Project:** The Eliza Jane, the Unbound Collection by Hyatt, New Orleans, Louisiana  
**Client:** HRI Properties, New Orleans, Louisiana;  
**Architect:** HCI Construction, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West, Louisville, Colorado

### BEST LOBBY UPPER MIDSACLE

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**Design Firms:** The Hickson Design Partnership, London  
**Project:** Hotel Indigo Venice Sant'Elena, Italy  
**Client:** HNH Hospitality; Venice, Italy (owner); InterContinental Hotels Group, London (operator and brand direction and narrative); **Architect:** Studio Giallombardo, Venice, Italy; **Purchasing Firm:** HNH Hospitality, Venice, Italy

**Design Firm:** Studio 11 Design, Dallas  
**Project:** CANVAS Hotel, Dallas  
**Client:** INTRIGUE Hotels & Resorts by Interstate, Arlington, Virginia/New York; **Architect:** 5G Studios, Dallas; **Purchasing Firm:** Matthews Southwest, Lewisville, Texas

**Design Firm:** Atwater Inc. Studio, Los Angeles, California  
**Project:** Holiday Inn & Suites Nashville Downtown Convention Center, Nashville, Tennessee  
**Client:** Pinnacle Hospitality Partners, LLC, Nashville, Tennessee; **Architect:** Bounds Gillespie Killebrew Tushek Architects, PLLC, Memphis, Tennessee; **Purchasing Firm:** Atwater Inc. Studio, Los Angeles, California

### BEST LOBBY UPSACLE

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**Design Firm:** Baranowitz + Kronenberg, Tel Aviv  
**Project:** Sir Victor Barcelona, Spain  
**Client:** Europe Hotels Private Collection, Amsterdam; **Architect:** Baranowitz + Kronenberg, Tel Aviv; **Purchasing Firm:** ARR&D Interiors Srl, Milan



**Design Firm:** DLR Group, Minneapolis  
**Project:** Canopy by Hilton Minneapolis Mill District  
**Client:** Sherman Associates, Minneapolis;  
**Architect:** DLR Group, Minneapolis;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Atmosphere Commercial Interiors, Minneapolis

**Design Firm:** Meyer Davis, New York  
**Project:** Dream Nashville, Tennessee  
**Client:** 4Pant LLC, Franklin, Tennessee; **Architect:** ESa (Earl Swensson Associates), Nashville, Tennessee; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West Chicago, Des Plaines, Illinois

**Design Firm:** Studio Robert McKinley, New York  
**Project:** Hotel Joaquin, Laguna Beach, California  
**Client:** Auric Road, Laguna Beach, California;  
**Architect:** Enter-Arc Inc., Santa Ana, California;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Auric Road, Laguna Beach, California

## BEST LOBBY LUXURY

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**Design Firm:** AB Concept, Taipei  
**Project:** W Xi'an, China  
**Client:** Vangzhong Real Estate, Xi'an, China;  
**Architect:** A&S Architectural Design, Beijing;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Vangzhong Real Estate, Xi'an, China

**Design Firms:** AFSO, Hong Kong; AvroKO, New York  
**Project:** Waldorf Astoria Bangkok  
**Client:** Magnolia Finest Corporation Ltd., Bangkok; **Architects:** Gensler Bangkok; Beaumont Partnership, Bangkok; **Purchasing Firm:** Parker International, Dubai

**Design Firm:** Varrodesign, Budapest  
**Project:** Mystery Hotel Budapest  
**Client:** Mystery Hotel Budapest; **Architect:** PhoenArchitekt, Budapest; **Purchasing Firm:** Mystery Hotel Budapest

**Design Firm:** Virserius Studio, New York  
**Project:** W Atlanta Midtown  
**Client:** Gem Realty Capital Inc, Chicago; **Architect:** Gonzalez Architects, Miami; **Purchasing Firm:** HPG International, Walnut Creek, California

## BEST GUESTROOM FOCUSED SERVICE

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**Design Firm:** dash design, New York; FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC  
**Project:** Moxy Washington, DC Downtown  
**Client:** Douglas Development Group, Washington, DC; **Architect:** FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC; **Purchasing Firm:** The Stroud Group, Columbia, Maryland

**Design Firm:** Eat.Drink.Sleep In-house Design Team, San Diego, California  
**Project:** The Rambler Motel, Chula Vista, California  
**Client:** Bay7/Eat.Drink.Sleep, San Diego, California;  
**Architect:** Eat.Drink.Sleep, San Diego, California;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Eat.Drink.Sleep, San Diego, California

**Design Firm:** Yabu Pushelberg, Toronto/New York  
**Project:** Moxy Chelsea, New York  
**Client:** Lightstone Group, New York; **Architect:** Stonehill Taylor, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Lightstone Group, New York

## BEST GUESTROOM MIDSCALE

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**Design Firm:** Avenir Creative, Chicago  
**Project:** The Cyrus Hotel, Topeka, Kansas  
**Client:** AIM Strategies, Topeka, Kansas; **Architect:** Architect One, Topeka, Kansas; **Purchasing Firm:** Neil Locke & Associates, Itasca, Illinois

**Design Firm:** Curioso, Chicago  
**Project:** The Wheelhouse Hotel, Chicago  
**Client:** Bedderman Lodging, Chicago; **Architect:** Norr, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** The Gettys Group, Chicago

**Design Firms:** HVS Design, Rockville, Maryland  
**Project:** The Blake Hotel, New Haven, Connecticut  
**Client:** RMS Companies, Stamford, Connecticut;  
**Architect:** JN+A, Rockville, Maryland; **Purchasing Firm:** Purchasing Dimensions LLC, Somers, Connecticut

## BEST GUESTROOM UPPER MIDSCALE

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**Design Firms:** OFFICEUNTITLED, Culver City, California; Oculus, Inc., St. Louis, Missouri  
**Project:** Woodlark Hotel, Portland, Oregon  
**Client:** NBP Capital, Portland, Oregon; **Architect:** OFFICEUNTITLED, Culver City, California;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Absolute Procurement LLC, Portland, Oregon

**Design Firm:** Simeone Deary Design Group, Chicago  
**Project:** St. Jane Hotel, Chicago  
**Client:** Becker Ventures, Chicago; **Architect:** Booth Hansen, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** Neil Locke & Associates, Itasca, Illinois

**Design Firm:** Stonehill Taylor, New York  
**Project:** TWA Hotel, Jamaica, New York  
**Client:** MCR and MORSE Development, New York; **Architects:** Lubrano Ciavarra Architects, Brooklyn, New York; Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners LLP, New York (architect of record); **Purchasing Firm:** The Parker Company, Miami

## BEST GUESTROOM UPSCALE

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**Design Firm:** DLR Group, Minneapolis  
**Project:** Canopy by Hilton Minneapolis District  
**Client:** Sherman Associates, Minneapolis;  
**Architect:** DLR Group, Minneapolis;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Atmosphere Commercial Interiors, Minneapolis

**Design Firm:** Meyer Davis, New York  
**Project:** Dream Nashville, Tennessee  
**Client:** 4Pant LLC, Franklin, Tennessee; **Architect:** ESa (Earl Swensson Associates), Nashville, Tennessee; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West Chicago, Des Plaines, Illinois

**Design Firm:** Studio Robert McKinley, New York  
**Project:** Hotel Joaquin, Laguna Beach, California  
**Client:** Auric Road, Laguna Beach, California;  
**Architect:** Enter-Arc Inc., Santa Ana, California;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Auric Road, Laguna Beach, California

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## BEST GUESTROOM LUXURY

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**Design Firm:** Kelly Wearstler, Los Angeles  
**Project:** Santa Monica Proper, Santa Monica, California  
**Clients:** Proper Hospitality, Santa Monica, California (operator); Kor Real Estate Partners, Santa Monica, California (owner); **Architect:** Howard Laks Architects, Santa Monica, California; **Purchasing Firm:** Canoe Hospitality, El Segundo, California

**Design Firm:** Robert Angell Design International, London  
**Project:** One Aldwych, London  
**Client:** One Aldwych, London; **Architect:** Jestico + Whiles, London; **Purchasing Firm:** Keytask, London

**Design Firm:** Rottet Studio, New York  
**Project:** Belmond Cap Juluca, Maundays Bay, Anguilla  
**Client:** Belmond, London; **Architect:** HKS, Coral Gables, Florida; **Purchasing Firm:** James W. Crawford Company, Tuscon, Arizona

**Design Firm:** Varrodesign, Budapest  
**Project:** Mystery Hotel Budapest  
**Client:** Mystery Hotel Budapest; **Architect:** PhoenArchitekt, Budapest; **Purchasing Firm:** Mystery Hotel Budapest

## BEST SUITE

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**Design Firm:** Rockwell Group, New York  
**Project:** Kingpin Suite, Palms Casino Resort, Las Vegas  
**Client:** Station Casinos, Las Vegas; **Architect:** Rockwell Group; **Purchasing Firm:** Station Casinos, Las Vegas

**Design Firm:** Virserius Studio, New York  
**Project:** W Atlanta Midtown  
**Client:** Gem Realty Capital Inc, Chicago; **Architect:** Gonzalez Architects, Miami; **Purchasing Firm:** HPG International, Walnut Creek, California

**Design Firm:** Kelly Wearstler, Los Angeles  
**Project:** Santa Monica Proper, Santa Monica, California  
**Clients:** Proper Hospitality, Santa Monica, California (operator); Kor Real Estate Partners, Santa Monica, California (owner); **Architect:** Howard Laks Architects, Santa Monica, California; **Purchasing Firm:** Canoe Hospitality, El Segundo, California

**Design Firm:** Whitespace Interiors, Chicago  
**Project:** Congressional Suite at Four Seasons Hotel, Austin, Texas  
**Client:** Strategic Hotels & Resorts, Chicago;  
**Architect:** Beck Architecture, Austin, Texas;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West Chicago, Des Plaines, Illinois

## BEST EMERGING CONCEPT

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**Hotelier:** Best Western Hotels & Resorts, Phoenix  
**Concept:** Aiden by Best Western  
**Design Firm for inaugural property (Aiden by Best Western @ Cheongdam, Seoul):** EWAI Co., Ltd. Seoul; **Architect for inaugural property (Aiden by Best Western @ Cheongdam, Seoul):** Ver-Tex Design, Seoul; **Purchasing Firm for inaugural property (Aiden by Best Western @ Cheongdam, Seoul):** BGH Korea Inc, Seoul

**Hotelier:** Bode, Nashville  
**Concept:** Bode  
**Design for inaugural property (Bode Nashville):** DAAD, Nashville; **Architect for inaugural property (Bode Nashville):** DAAD – PTA, Nashville; **Purchasing Firm for inaugural property (Bode Nashville):** Morgan + Schoen Hospitality, Nashville

**Hotelier:** Homage Hospitality, Oakland, California  
**Hotel Concept:** Homage Hospitality  
**Design for inaugural property:** (The Moor, New Orleans, Louisiana): Homage Hospitality, Oakland, California; **Purchasing firm for inaugural property (The Moor, New Orleans, Louisiana):** Cowry Moon, Los Angeles

## BEST SPECIALTY DESIGN

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**Design Firm:** BG Studio International, New York  
**Project:** Celebrity Flora, Miami  
**Client:** Royal Caribbean, Miami; De Hoop Shipyard, Lobith – Tolkamer, The Netherlands; **Architect:** Royal Caribbean, Miami; De Hoop Shipyard, Lobith – Tolkamer, The Netherlands; **Purchasing Firm:** Royal Caribbean, Miami; De Hoop Shipyard, Lobith – Tolkamer, The Netherlands

**Design Firms:** Capella Garcia Arquitectura, Barcelona; ICRAVE, New York; Anthony Mrkic Architect, Fort Lee, New York  
**Project:** Mercado Little Spain, New York  
**Clients:** ThinkFoodGroup, Washington, DC and The Related Companies, New York; **Architect:** Anthony Mrkic Architect, Fort Lee, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** The Carroll Adams Group, Orlando

**Design Firm:** One Plus Partnership Limited, Hong Kong  
**Project:** Shenzhen Cine Sky Cinema, China  
**Client:** CINEMAPRO Ltd., Hong Kong; **Architect:** CINEMAPRO Ltd., Hong Kong; **Purchasing Firm:** CINEMAPRO Ltd., Hong Kong

**Design Firm:** SilverFox Studios pte ltd, Singapore  
**Project:** Spa at Mandarin Oriental Jumeira Dubai  
**Client:** Wasl LLC, Dubai; **Architect:** Design & ARchitecture bureau (DAR), Dubai; **Purchasing Firm:** Wasl LLC, Dubai

**Design Firm:** JOI-Design, Hamburg  
**Project:** Der Öschberghof, Donaueschingen, Germany  
**Client:** Aldi Süd Germany; **Architect:** Allmann Sattler Wappner Architekten, Munich; **Purchasing Firm:** K&P Planungsbüro GmbH, Düsseldorf

## BEST NIGHTCLUB

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**Design Firm:** Hirsch Bedner Associates (HBA), Singapore  
**Project:** Alley 50 Ultra Lounge, Ho Chi Minh City  
**Client:** Lavenue Investment Corporation, Ho Chi Minh City; **Purchasing Firm:** Vplus Interiors, Ho Chi Minh City

**Design Firm:** Studio Paolo Ferrari, Toronto  
**Project:** The Secret Room at the FIVE Palm Jumeirah, Dubai  
**Client:** Five Holdings, Dubai; **Architect:** Five Holdings, Dubai; **Purchasing Firm:** Five Holdings, Dubai

**Design Firm:** Yabu Pushelberg, New York  
**Project:** Paradise Club at The Times Square EDITION, New York  
**Client:** Ian Schragger Company, New York; **Architect:** AAI Architects, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Purchasing Associates, Inc. Peekskill, New York

## BEST RESTAURANT CASUAL DINING

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**Design Firm:** CetraRuddy Architecture, New York  
**Project:** queensyard, New York  
**Client:** D&D London; **Architect:** CetraRuddy Architecture, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Dorothy Vogt Consulting, New York

**Design Firm:** Lettuce Entertain You, Chicago  
**Project:** Aba, Chicago  
**Client:** Lettuce Entertain You, Chicago; **Architect:** Myefski Architects, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** Lettuce Entertain You Enterprises-In house department, Chicago

**Design Firm:** Preen, Inc., Los Angeles  
**Project:** The Heroic Deli and Wine Bar, Santa Monica, California  
**Client:** The Heroic Deli and Wine Bar, Santa Monica, California; **Purchasing Firm:** Preen, Inc., Los Angeles

**Design Firm:** PHENOMENA, Brooklyn, New York  
**Project:** Life Alive Organic Café, Boston  
**Client:** Life Alive Café, Boston; **Architect:** BKA Architects, Brockton, Massachusetts; **Purchasing Firm:** Cornerstone Design Build, Swansea, Massachusetts

## BEST RESTAURANT FINE DINING

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**Design Firm:** AvroKO, New York  
**Project:** The Zodiac Room at Nieman Marcus – Hudson Yards, New York  
**Client:** Neiman Marcus, Dallas; **Architect:** Janson Goldstein, New York

**Design Firm:** EoA Group; Coral Gables, Florida  
**Project:** Tesoro at the JW Marriott Marco Island, Florida  
**Client:** Barings Real Estate Advisors, Glastonbury, Connecticut; **Architects:** HKS, Dallas (architects of record); EoA Group, Coral Gables, Florida (architecture co-designer/interior architecture); **Purchasing Firms:** The Parker Company, Miami

**Design Firm:** PARTISANS, Toronto  
**Project:** Quetzal, Toronto  
**Client:** Overbudget Inc., Toronto; **Architect:** PARTISANS, Toronto; **Purchasing Firm:** Overbudget Inc., Toronto

## BEST RESORT

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**Design Firm:** Hirsch Bedner Associates (HBA), Singapore  
**Project:** Fairmont Maldives Sirru Fen Fushi, Shaviyani Atoll, Republic of Maldives  
**Clients:** SC Capital, Singapore; **Architect:** SCSY Studio, Singapore; **Purchasing Firm:** Cairncross Martin Co. Ltd., Bangkok

**Design Firm:** Kinney Chan and Associates, Hong Kong  
**Project:** Angsana Zhuhai Phoenix Bay, Zhuhai, China  
**Client:** Banyan Tree, Guangdong, China; **Architect:** Zhu Hai Hotel Architecture, Guangdong, China; **Purchasing Firm:** Banyan Tree, Guangdong, China

**Design Firm:** Stylt Trampoli, Gothenburg, Sweden  
**Project:** The Hide Hotel, Flims, Switzerland  
**Client:** Credit Suisse, Thun, Switzerland; **Architect:** Gross Rüegg Architekten, Flims, Switzerland; **Purchasing Firm:** Baulink AG, Davos Platz, Switzerland

**Design Firm:** Rottet Studio, Houston  
**Project:** Belmond Cap Juluca, Maundays Bay, Anguilla  
**Client:** Belmond, London; **Architect:** HKS, Coral Gables, Florida; **Purchasing Firm:** James W. Crawford Company, Tuscon, Arizona

## BEST HOTEL FOCUSED SERVICE

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**Design Firms:** dash design, New York; FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC  
**Project:** Moxy Washington, DC Downtown  
**Client:** Douglas Development Group, Washington, DC; **Architect:** FILLAT + Architecture, Washington, DC; **Purchasing Firm:** The Stroud Group, Columbia, Maryland

**Design Firm:** JOHNSON NATHAN STROHE, Denver  
**Project:** The Mercantile Hotel, Missoula, Montana  
**Client:** Mercantile, LLC; **Architect:** JOHNSON NATHAN STROHE, Denver; **Purchasing Firm:** Hospitality Purchasing Consultants, Highlands Ranch, Colorado

**Design Firm:** Gettys ONE – A Gettys Group Company, Chicago  
**Project:** Hyatt Place/Hyatt House Indianapolis Downtown  
**Client:** HRI Properties, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Architect:** Ratio, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West Chicago, Des Plaines, Illinois

**Design Firms:** Yabu Pushelberg, New York; Rockwell Group, New York  
**Project:** Moxy Chelsea, New York  
**Client:** Lightstone Group, New York; **Architect:** Stonehill Taylor, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Lightstone Group, New York

## BEST HOTEL MIDSCALE

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**Design Firm:** Curioso, Chicago  
**Project:** The Wheelhouse Hotel, Chicago  
**Client:** Bedderman Lodging, Chicago; **Architect:** Norr, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** The Gettys Group, Chicago

**Design Firms:** Design Continuum., Inc., Atlanta  
**Project:** Marriott AC Hotel/Residence Inn/Springhill Suites Nashville, Tennessee  
**Client:** NorthPoint Hospitality Group, Atlanta; **Architect:** Lindsay Pope Brayfield & Associates, Lawrence, Georgia; **Purchasing Firm:** Canoe Hospitality, El Segundo, California

**Design Firm:** Graduate Hotels In-house Design Team, Chicago  
**Project:** Graduate Seattle  
**Client:** Graduate Hotels, Chicago; **Architect:** KFA, Culver City, California; **Purchasing Firms:** AJ Capital Partners, Chicago; Graduate Hotels, Chicago

**Design Firm:** Stonehill Taylor, New York  
**Project:** The Eliza Jane, the Unbound Collection by Hyatt, New Orleans, Louisiana  
**Client:** HRI Properties, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Architect:** HCl Construction, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West, Louisville, Colorado

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## BEST HOTEL UPPER MIDSCALE

**Design Firm:** Gensler, Houston  
**Project:** Kimpton Aertson Hotel, Nashville, Tennessee  
**Client:** Buckingham Companies, Indianapolis;  
**Architect:** Torti Gallas & Partners, Silver Spring, Maryland; **Purchasing Firm:** James W. Crawford Companies, McKinney, Texas

**Design Firm:** Mason Studio, Toronto  
**Project:** Kimpton Saint George Hotel, Toronto  
**Client:** Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, San Francisco, California; **Architect:** IBI Group, Toronto;  
**Purchasing Firm:** Sue Dulmage & Associates Inc., Toronto

**Design Firm:** Simeone Deary Design Group, Chicago  
**Project:** St. Jane Hotel, Chicago  
**Client:** Becker Ventures, Chicago, Illinois; **Architect:** Booth Hansen, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** Neil Locke & Associates, Itasca, Illinois

**Design Firm:** The Gettys Group, Chicago  
**Project:** Claridge House, Chicago  
**Client:** InterWest Capital, La Jolla, California;  
**Architect:** Hirsch, Chicago; **Purchasing Firm:** Canoe Hospitality, El Segundo, California

## BEST HOTEL UPSCALE

**Design Firm:** DLR Group, Minneapolis  
**Project:** Canopy by Hilton Minneapolis Mill District  
**Client:** Sherman Associates, Minneapolis;  
**Architect:** DLR Group, Minneapolis; **Purchasing Firm:** Atmosphere Commercial Interiors, Minneapolis

**Design Firm:** Gachot Studios, New York  
**Project:** Shinola Hotel, Detroit  
**Client:** Shinola Hotel, Detroit; **Architect:** Kraemer Design Group, Detroit; **Purchasing Firm:** The Parker Company, Miami

**Design Firms:** Studio Shamshiri, Los Angeles  
**Project:** Maison de la Luz, New Orleans, Louisiana  
**Client:** The Domain Companies, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Architect:** EskewDumezRipple, New Orleans, Louisiana; **Purchasing Firm:** Benjamin West, Louisville, Colorado

**Design Firm:** The Gettys Group, Chicago  
**Project:** The Edwin, an Autograph Collection Hotel, Chattanooga, Tennessee  
**Client:** Vision Hospitality, Chattanooga, Tennessee;  
**Architect:** PV Design Architecture, Chattanooga, Tennessee; **Purchasing Firm:** Blue Pointe, Ooltewah, Tennessee

**Design Firm:** Wilson Associates, Singapore  
**Project:** Renaissance Xi'an, China  
**Client:** Xi'an Dajin Real Estate Co., Ltd., Xi'an, China;  
**Architect:** Arcplus, New York; **Purchasing Firm:** Wilson Associates, Singapore

## BEST HOTEL LUXURY

**Design Firms:** AFSO, Hong Kong; AvroKO, New York  
**Project:** Waldorf Astoria Bangkok  
**Client:** Magnolia Finest Corporation Ltd., Bangkok; **Architects:** Gensler Bangkok; Beaumont Partnership, Bangkok; **Purchasing Firm:** Parker International, Dubai

**Design Firm:** Anouska Hempel Design, London  
**Project:** Six Senses Duxton, Singapore  
**Client:** Garcha Hotels, Singapore; **Architect:** Moya Design, Singapore; **Purchasing Firm:** Argenta, London

**Design Firm:** CCD / Cheng Chung Design (HK) Ltd., Hong Kong  
**Project:** InterContinental Shanghai Wonderland, China  
**Client:** Shimao Group, Shanghai; **Architect:** Jade + QA, Hong Kong; **Purchasing Firm:** Shimao Group, Shanghai

**Design Firm:** Studio Jean-Philippe Nuel, Paris/  
New York  
**Project:** InterContinental Lyon – Hotel Dieu, France  
**Client:** InterContinental Lyon – Hotel Dieu, France;  
**Architect:** AIA Architectes, Lyon - France; RL&A architects, Lyon – France; **Purchasing Firm:** MALAM FF&E Solutions, Paris

**Design Firm:** Virserius Studio, New York  
**Project:** W Atlanta Midtown  
**Client:** Gem Realty Capital Inc, Chicago; **Architect:** Gonzalez Architects, Miami; **Purchasing Firm:** HPG International, Walnut Creek, California

**Design Firms:** Wilson-RED, Dallas; Schutze Studio, Boulder, Colorado; Grupo Diarq, Mexico City  
**Project:** Belmond Casa de Sierra Nevada, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico  
**Client:** Belmond (UK) Ltd, London; **Architect:** Zagar Construcciones SC, San Miguel de Allende, Mexico;  
**Purchasing Firm:** James W. Crawford Company, Tucson, Arizona

## JUDGES FOR THE 39TH GOLD KEY AWARDS INCLUDE:

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**Gary Womack**, managing principal, **Acumen Development Partners**



Hey **Sandy Banks**...for the past 35 years, you have always been an **ICON** in my mind—and now it is official! **NEWH** and I are so blessed to have you a part of our lives.

**Curtis**...congratulations on this well deserved honor. You have been an inspiration to many in the Hospitality Industry. **NEWH** appreciates how you always keep us high on P/Kaufmann's list of priorities.



Our warmest congratulations to  
P/Kaufmann's Curtis Breedlove  
and Sandy Banks, our 2019  
NEWH ICONS of Industry!

They have long been valued contributors to the success of our projects—from Claridge House in Chicago to The Henry, Autograph Collection in Dearborn, Michigan. Our thanks go out to them and the P/Kaufmann team for elevating the standard of excellence in our industry.



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**SANDY BANKS &  
CURTIS BREEDLOVE**

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## NEWH ICONS OF INDUSTRY



2004 Thomas Durkan



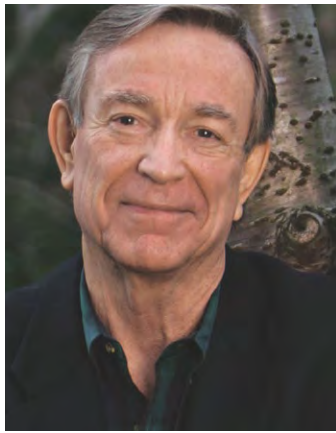
2006 Maya Romanoff



2007 Manfred Steinfeld



2008 Roger Milliken



2013 Ray Anderson



2014 Bob Thomas



2015 Deborah Herman



2016 Jane Skeeter

## NEWH ICON OF INDUSTRY SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2004

Anna Perryman  
Harrington School of Design  
Shelley Stuart  
Design Institute of San Diego

2006

Stacey Schield Shiring  
University of Cincinnati  
Kandice Pierce  
Savannah College of Art &  
Design

2007

Ashley Anderson  
Georgia Southern University  
Alisa Biel  
Boston University

2008

Jaclyn Livelli  
Savannah College of Art &  
Design  
Alysce Christian  
Colorado State University

2009

Saray Gill  
Savannah College of Art and  
Design  
Kayla McCullough  
Colorado State University

2010

Andrea Vasquez  
Savannah College of Art and  
Design

Chelsea Lawrence  
Colorado State University

2011

Santiago Arcila  
Kwantlen Polytechnic  
University  
Kyi Gyaw  
Cornell University





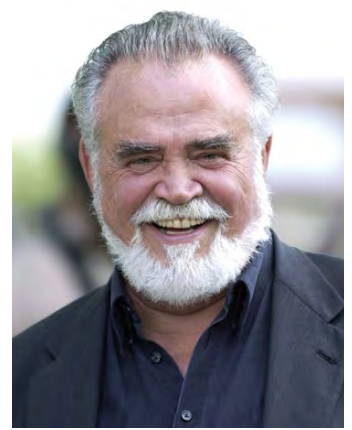
2009 Jerry Hruby-Holly



2010 Judy Dobin



2011 Harvey Nudelman



2012 Herbert V. Kohler, Jr.



2017 Janice Feldman



2018 Esther Cohen



2019 Sandy Banks



2019 Curtis Breedlove

2012

Stacey Sefcik  
Savannah College of Art and Design

Ashley Cuoco  
New York Institute of Technology

2013

Amanda Krueger  
Florida State University

Alexandra Kern  
Savannah College of Art and Design

2014

Tara Headley  
Savannah College of Art and Design

Katherine Timmerman  
Florida State University

2015

Katelyn Koch  
Savannah College of Art and Design

2016

Tyson Baker  
Maryville University

2017

Brianna Hunter  
Florida International University

2018

Jieru Lin  
California College of the Arts

2019

Carolina Cardona  
Florida International University



*Congratulations Curtis on this wonderful and well-deserved lifetime achievement award!*

*We have enjoyed working with you over the years and look forward to many years to come.*

*Jackie Griggs and Kathy DeJovine*



**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Curtis and Sandy,**  
two true icons of the industry!



**THE PARKER COMPANY**



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*Congratulations*  
*Sandy & Curtis*

true **leaders** and NEWH **ICONS** of Industry

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## *Congratulations to Curtis Breedlove and Sandy Banks!*

*You both have inspired a generation of designers, purchasing agents, sales representatives and owners by cultivating relationships, friendships, trust and loyalty in the hospitality industry.*

*I am so honored that I was able to share some of the journey with you!*

*Susan Caruso*



Curtis and Sandy

Congratulations on the well-deserved recognition.

You have helped so many people to succeed in our industry.

We are proud to celebrate this well-deserved award with you.



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Your help and insights have been invaluable on a personal as well as professional level.  
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Early on in my career, while attending a trade show on the island of Malta, I LOST Curtis on a tour of the ancient catacombs under the city. I was certain that would be the end of my career at P/Kaufmann. Some years later, at one of our many trips to NEWH's "Wine By Design" event in Napa, I LOST Sandy. Again I thought I'd better polish up my resume...



Eventually, I learned that for both Sandy and Curtis, getting intentionally "lost" along the way is often one of the most important parts of the journey. No one can argue that they don't march to their own beat. Since then, I've gotten intentionally lost a few times myself.

Curtis and Sandy, your adventurous spirits are just one of the many gifts you've given in your mentorship.

Thank you for being you.

CONGRATULATIONS to you both!

James (and Kristin) Schaffner



*Congratulations*

Curtis Breedlove & Sandy Banks  
on winning the NEWH Icon of Industry!

From,

Jillian Van Dresser & Elizabeth Grimsley

and the entire team at

**VDC**  
INTERIOR DESIGN



Dear Sandy,  
Everyone knows of your excellence  
in sales, design, and NEWH...

Thank you for insisting that this  
NYC dweller stay in your home  
the week of 9/11/2001 when I  
couldn't get back to my 5-year-  
old daughter and husband. For 5  
days you made sure I was okay,  
even though I was a wreck, with  
homemade meals, good wine and  
melatonin for those never-ending  
sleepless nights.

Congratulations Sandy!  
YOU are the definition (or better  
the essence?) of Hospitality.

With lifelong gratitude and love,  
Carol

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## CURTIS BREEDLOVE

a visionary not afraid of risk,  
who gave this creative enough  
rope to hang herself yet had  
the wisdom to provide an  
occasional safety net.

Congratulations to the  
absolutely best boss who  
over the past 21 years has  
become the most loyal  
employer and trusted friend.

With utmost respect and  
admiration, Carol

P/Kaufmann  
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Sandy,  
Thank you for your dedication to P/Kaufmann Contract. Your hard  
work laid a foundation for sales, design and marketing that has  
helped us grow and succeed. Your involvement with NEWH has had  
an inspiring ripple effect on us for which we are grateful.

Congratulations!  
Leigh

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Curtis,  
You set the example of  
a supportive leader who  
provides the space to grow  
and try new things; who keeps  
an open door and an open  
mind, and values the creative  
and entrepreneurial spirit in  
equal measure. I am grateful  
for the experience of working  
with you and appreciate the  
inspiration that you bring to all  
that you do.

Thank you for the gift of  
memories and here's to future  
adventures!  
Leigh

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## *Congratulations Curtis*

A true **ICON** of the Industry

Your dedication and knowledge in this industry are incomparable, and we cannot think of a more deserving honoree!

We are thrilled that one of our very first *Strategic Supply Partners* has been so rightly recognized!

Thank you for your leadership and all the fun "fabric" discussions throughout the years and all you do to ensure success of every Host Hotels & Resorts project.

We truly value your partnership.

*Congratulations!  
Your friends at Host*



## *Congratulations*

# CURTIS BREEDLOVE

On being awarded  
2019 NEWH Icon of the Industry

A well deserved milestone along a terrific career of service





## TO OUR FEARLESS LEADER,

You are an innovator, whose character has earned the love and respect of your staff and your peers. Your easygoing nature and open-door policy lets us all know we can come to you at any time. Throughout the years, your tireless work ethic, personality and fun spirit have made this division one big family. It's rare that a group this large can truly enjoy each other's company at work as well as outside the office. That is a testament to your leadership. You are there to congratulate our victories and steer us in the right direction if something goes awry - both in the office and in our personal lives.

You are our pot stirrer, our problem solver, our world traveler and our seeker of new opportunities. You keep us on our toes even if it means scrambling to keep up with you! You are always willing to roll up your sleeves and get the job done with a smile on your face!

Thank you for being you and making this PKG team what it is!

We congratulate you on this well-deserved ICON award!

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## TO OUR VERY OWN SUPERWOMAN,

Whether we are working with you at sales meetings or laughing with you on the phone, you always bring a smile to our faces.

You never cease to amaze us with what you are capable of. We are inspired by your boundless energy and creativity, including your unique creations with our fabrics—from trade show displays to couture.

Whether you are selling fabric, standing up for women's rights, animal rights or the environment, you are a courageous, independent woman who is never afraid to speak her mind!

You are our guru and archive of all things PK Contract. When in doubt, we call Sandy!

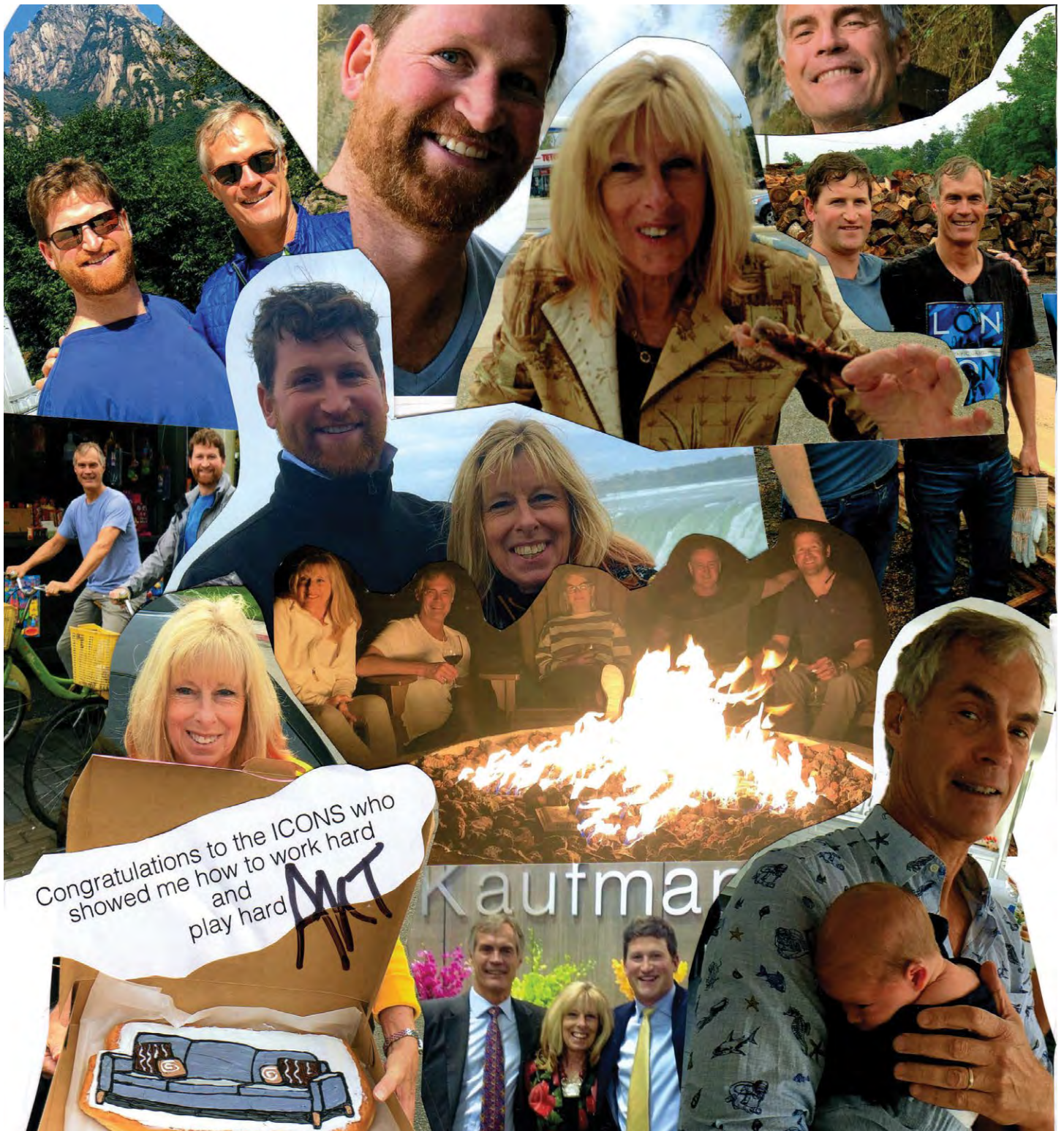
You are one-of-a-kind; a trailblazer who continues to shine.

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor!

The PKC Corporate Team

Patty, Barbara, Roseann, Jim, Robert, Jackie, Cynthia, Lilein, Lori, Jacqui, Angie, James, Leigh, Mark, Jayne, Kim, Kristin, Ruth, Michelle, Carol, Caitlyn, Wynelle

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The P/Kaufmann  
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honor for their  
contributions to the  
hospitality industry.

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**Sandy Banks and Curtis Breedlove!**

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*Congratulations to you  
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**We have enjoyed working  
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**The ICON award is well deserved!  
Keep up the GREAT work!**

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**YI HSUAN SUNG**

\$10,000 interior design scholarship  
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**P/Kaufmann Contract** is thrilled to congratulate Yi Hsuan Sung, the winner of this year's P/Kaufmann Scholarship through NEWH. As a supplier partner, we are proud to celebrate the next generation of designers and welcome the fresh perspective that elevates our work and expands our vision of what's possible. We are grateful to NEWH for the opportunity to support their mission of nurturing young talent and connecting dynamic professionals whose ideas drive innovation in our industry. We can't wait to see where Yi Hsuan's career will take her as she joins the conversation and helps to shape the future of hospitality design!

### Winning this Scholarship

I am very excited that my pursuit has now been seen, understood, appreciated and supported by more people. Being awarded this scholarship gives me the privilege to keep carrying out my practice both financially and spiritually. Now I will be able to research and develop materials that can be applied to the hospitality industry. It is a great honor to build this connection to hospitality through NEWH. I believe it is just the start of a brand-new journey by which I can learn, grow, and possibly, contribute.

### Future Outlook

The consciousness of environmental and personal health has been pushing my design process forward. Being aware of the amount of food waste ranging from food residues, overproduction, leftovers, expired products, etc. are being created by households, restaurants, markets or factories on a daily basis, I have an ongoing experiment and mission to transform food waste into textiles. My aim is to develop and document methodology with regards to these new, sustainable materials. Then I will be able to methodically document recipes in response to random leftovers, and have the chance to collaborate with different kitchens—such as restaurants—for various waste sources. By doing so, we can imagine a world where we not only save the precious resources from going nowhere, but also build our environment with natural biodegradable materials.

### What intrigues you the most about the hospitality industry?

The hospitality industry is one that serves humanity intimately in the area of food, interiors, entertainment and lifestyle. It straddles both functionality and glamor. I would like to bring beauty and pragmatism of healthy, sustainable materials into this diverse world of hospitality.

### NEWH Involvement

In the past year, I have worked with a couple of companies in the area of hospitality. I would like to further this connection to the industry by engaging more closely with NEWH while developing bioplastic and biomaterials that could serve this industry in a healthy and sustainable manner. I appreciate the generosity of NEWH in nurturing young people who dream of working in hospitality.

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**Sandy Banks**

AND

**Curtis Breedlove**

on your well-deserved recognition!  
You are truly ICONs  
of our industry

**NEWH Board of Directors**

*Ho'omaika'i!*  
**(CONGRATULATIONS!)**  
TO THIS YEAR'S ICON  
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