

Princeton's JZA+D to Receive Firm of the Year Honors at AIA New Jersey Annual Awards Dinner

Princeton, N.J. -At an event celebrating practice excellence and notable achievements in the Garden State's building and design community, the New Jersey Society of Architects (AIA-NJ) -- a chapter of the American Institute of Architects - will honor integrated design firm JZA+D of Princeton with the title Architectural Firm of the Year for 2014.

JZA+D's partners, Joshua Zinder, AIA, and Marlyn Zucosky, IIDA, will accept the prestigious service award at the AIA-NJ Annual Awards Dinner, a black-tie-optional event, which will take place on January 9, 2015, at the Moorestown Community House Estate in Moorestown, N.J.

A growing multidisciplinary design firm located in Princeton, JZA+D was selected from a distinguished field of candidate firms for the award. "Service award" honorees, as the name implies, have distinguished themselves not only as designers but also as contributors to the betterment of the architecture industry and community statewide. Zinder, JZA+D's founding principal, also received AIA-NJ Architect of the Year honors for 2013.

Known statewide for precise approaches to intermural and professional cooperation, the firm's collaborative design process aims to build project-specific partnerships, leveraging the firms' individual strengths and building professional synergies.

Collaborative opportunities and business alliances like these enable JZA+D to provide clients with the best possible results and enhance prospects for all firms involved to share in the success.



Photo taken at AIA-NJ Annual Awards Dinner

As a result of JZA+D's implementation of integrated practice models, the partners Zinder and Zucosky have been able to offer clients more potent solutions that combine architecture and interior design expertise into a single package. This was especially valuable as the firm developed its signature "consultative design" process for developers seeking to increase the value of their commercial building stock. "We're able to provide a range of design services," says Zucosky, "and we present a reliable resource for our clients. They see us as a well they can keep coming back to."

The JZA+D philosophy also includes sustainable approaches to design and construction, carefully considering the environmental impact each individual design element will have on a project and its surrounding environment. "We want our practice to transcend the chic nature of the word 'sustainability' and, ultimately, deliver a complete environment that is healthy for its occupants and the environment," says Zinder.

Furthermore, Zinder and Zucosky are active in service both to the professional design community and to the Princeton community at large. Zucosky is a committee member of CREWNJ (Commercial Real Estate Women), and is active with the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce. She also serves as Board Member of the Arts Council of Princeton, and is active with the Princeton Symphony Orchestra. Zinder served in the past as committee co-chair for the Jewish Center of Princeton, and has been a board member for a number of not-for-profit organizations including the Electronic Music Foundation and Sustainable Princeton. In 2011, he won the Gotham City Networking "Networker of the Year" Award.



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