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DRHBA Members Finalists for OHBA's Awards of Distinction



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A number of Durham Region Home Builder Association members have made it to the all Ontario list of finalists for the annual Awards of Distinction gala in Ottawa, Sept. 22.

"We applaud our members: Delta-Rae Homes, Fourteen Estates Ltd., Accubuilt Construction Ltd., Brookfield Residential, Monarch Corporation, Halminen Homes and Minto Communities, for all of the exceptional work they do in Durham Region," said Jennifer Hurd, President of DRHBA. "And we are pleased that they have made the finalists' list for Ontario."

The Ontario Home Builders' Association judged entries from across the province encompassing 39 categories of building, design, sales and marketing. A complete list of finalists is available at ohbaaod.ca.

DRHBA's Delta-Rae Homes is a finalist for their custom home "Calabria" in Whitby, with credit to Hunt Design.

Fourteen Estates Ltd. is a finalist for their custom home 'The Sandpiper' in Port Perry.

In the Home Renovation category, Accubuilt Construction Ltd. is a finalist for their Northgrove Renovation in Whitby.

The category, 'Best Use of Social Media' saw two DRHBA members make the finalist list:

Brookfield Residential for: Corporate – Southern Ontario with credit to: BAM Builder

Advertising & Marketing Inc. and Monarch Corporation for Tranquility in Ajax, with credit to:

McOuat Partnership Marketing, PMA Brethour Realty Group.

Halminen Homes is a finalist for Best Website for Halminen Homes – http://www.halminenhomes.com

Minto communities is esteemed for their Kingmeadow 'Best New Home Sales Office in Oshawa.

Fourteen Estates Limited made the list for their Corporate Brochure – Durham Region with credit to Sandy Cook Marketing & Design.

DRHBA also congratulates our members: Great Gulf Homes, Minto Communities, Empire Communities, Monarch Corp., Menkes Developments, Accubuilt Construction Ltd., and Brookfield Residential for their projects outside of Durham that have made the prestigious finalists' list.

Winners of the OHBA Awards of Distinction will be announced on September 22nd at the Ottawa Conference Centre where the spectacular gala awards ceremony will be a highlight of the 2014 OHBA Conference in the nation's capital.

In addition to the individual category awards, OHBA will also announce the winner of the coveted 2014 Ontario Home Builder of the Year. Finalists are:

Great Gulf Homes - Toronto greatgulf.com

Mattamy Homes - Oakville/Kanata mattamyhomes.com

Minto Communities - Toronto/Ottawa minto.com

Finalists for the inaugural 2014 Ontario Renovator of the Year award are:

Eurodale Developments Inc. – Toronto eurodale.ca

Lagois Design-Build-Renovate – Ottawa lagois.com

OakWood Renovation Experts – Navan oakwood.ca

For the first time ever, OHBA has also introduced the People's Choice Award which anyone, including the general public, can vote for at www.ohbaaod.ca. People's Choice Award voting goes from August 8-19th. Finalists for this award include the six best projects of the year in both the high to mid-rise and low-rise categories which are:

Aspen Ridge Homes for Kleinburg Hills in Kleinburg

Cable Bridge Enterprises Limited for *Treetops* in New Tecumseth

Great Gulf Homes for Monde Condos in Toronto

Great Gulf Homes for *Yonge + Rich* in Toronto

Mattamy Homes Ltd. for *The Preserve* in Oakville

Minto Communities for Minto 30 Roe in Toronto

"The Awards of Distinction program is an opportunity to pay tribute and honour the creativity, innovation and talent of builders, renovators, designers and marketers within the new home

building and renovation industry," said OHBA President Eric DenOuden who added, "The building industry is a major driving force in our province's economy and the Awards of Distinction celebrates this dynamic sector."

The Ontario Home Builders' Association is the voice of the residential construction industry in Ontario representing 4,000 member companies organized into 31 local associations across the province, of which DRHBA is one. The industry contributes more than \$43 billion to Ontario's economy, employing over 313,000 people across the province.