



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### ***Southeast Construction Announces Best of 2008 Winners***

*~ Regional construction publication honors Southeast's top construction, design projects ~*

Orlando – ***Southeast Construction*** magazine is pleased to announce the winners of its Best of 2008 awards program. The annual competition recognizes construction and design excellence from the Southeast region of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina.

An independent jury of industry experts in design and construction judged 129 nominated projects in more than 20 categories in September. Eligible projects had to be located within the four-state region and completed between Sept. 1, 2007, and Sept. 1, 2008.

The 35 winning projects will be featured in the December 2008 issue of ***Southeast Construction*** and will be honored at an awards luncheon to be held at the Rosen Shingle Creek Resort on Tuesday, Dec. 2, in Orlando. Three projects were considered for the competition's top prize, the "Judges Award" for best overall project. The nominees for this top award included: 3344 Peachtree; the Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies; and the U.S. 17-92 General Hutchison Pedestrian Bridge. The winner of this year's Judges Award will be unveiled at the December 2 event.

Some of the winning projects will be entered into the National Best of 2008 competition and judged against other winning entries from other regions. Those winners will be profiled in *Engineering News-Record*, *Constructor* and the 11 Regional Publications in March 2009.

Eligible projects were sorted into categories. The highest award in a category is the "Best Of" award. The next-highest award possible is an "Award of Excellence," followed by an "Award of Merit." On the following pages, please find a list of the award winners.

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*Southeast Construction's* Best of 2007 winning projects are:

**BEST OF (in a category) AWARDS**

**Gulfstream Aerospace Corp., G650 Business Jet Manufacturing Facility, Savannah, Ga.**

Category: Best Private Building; *submitted by BE&K Building Group*

**Millennium Gate Monument, Atlanta**

Category: Best Public Building; *submitted by New South Construction Co.*

**Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies, Port St. Lucie, Fla.**

Category: Best Health Care; *submitted by Suffolk Construction Co.*

**3344 Peachtree, Atlanta**

Category: Best Mixed-Use Project; *submitted by Hardin Construction Co.*

**Grand Central at Kennedy, Tampa, Fla.**

Category: Best Multifamily; *submitted by Hardin Construction Co.*

**Invesco World Headquarters, Commercial Interiors, Atlanta**

Category: Best Office Project; *submitted by HITT Contracting*

**Wakulla Correctional Institution Annex, Crawfordville, Fla.**

Category: Best Governmental; *submitted by Clark Construction Co.*

**Florida Gulf Coast University Dormitories, Fort Myers, Fla.**

Category: Best College/University; *submitted by Kraft Construction Co.*

**Woodland Middle School, East Point, Ga.**

Category: Best K-12 School; *submitted by Barton Malow*

**Aycock Auditorium at University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Greensboro, N.C.**

Category: Best Cultural; *submitted by a Joint Venture of Hardin Construction and Rodgers Builders*

**Winter Garden Village at Fowler Groves, Winter Garden, Fla.**

Category: Best Retail Project; *submitted by Hardin Construction Co.*

**Turner Field SunTrust Club, Atlanta**

Category: Best Sports/Recreation (tie); *submitted by New South Construction*

**Sanibel Island Recreation Center, Sanibel Island, Fla.**

Category: Best Sports/Recreation (tie); *submitted by Peter R. Brown Construction*

**Hightower Trail Bridge, Newton Co., Ga.**

Category: Best Transportation Project; *submitted by PBS&J*

**Walter E. Peele Dixie Water Treatment Plant, Membrane Expansion, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.**

Category: Best Civil; *submitted by CH2M Hill*

**U.S. 17-92 General Hutchison Pedestrian Bridge, Seminole Co., Fla.**

Category: Best Engineering; *submitted by Ayres Associates*

**Carolina Preserve by Del Webb at Amberly, Cary, N.C.**

Category: Best Private Design; *submitted by Niles Bolton Associates*

**Marco Island Charter Middle School, Marco Island, Fla.**

Category: Best Public Design; *submitted by BRPH*

**Building “X,” Gulfstream Aerospace Corp., Savannah, Ga.**

Category: Best Specialty Contracting; *submitted by Ivey Mechanical*

**AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE:**

**Greer Memorial Hospital, University Medical Center, Greer, S.C.**

Category: Health Care; *submitted by BE&K Building Group*

**Breakers Room Renovations, Palm Beach, Fla.**

Category: Hospitality; *submitted by Weitz*

**MERIT AWARDS:**

- **Three Oaks Treatment Plant**, Fort Myers, Fla. – *Wharton-Smith*
- **Florida State University Chemistry Building**, Tallahassee, Fla. – *Ajax Building (Suitt/Ajax Joint Venture)*
- **Sarasota Opera House**, Sarasota, Fla. – *Willis A. Smith Construction*
- **Mathews Bridge Deck Replacement**, Jacksonville, Fla. – *RS&H*
- **Clay Whaley Sr. Memorial Water Plant**, St. Cloud, Fla. – *Jones Edmunds*
- **Bardenpho Improvements Project**, Orlando – *Boyle Engineering*
- **Clay County Courthouse**, Green Cove Springs, Fla.. – *Elkins Constructors*
- **Shands 30-Bed Patient Room Renovations**, Tallahassee, Fla. – *Ajax Building Corp.*
- **Mayo Clinic Replacement Facility**, Jacksonville, Fla. – *Balfour Beatty Construction.*
- **Landmark at the Gardens**, Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. – *Suffolk Construction Co.*
- **Avenues at Forsyth**, Cumming, Ga. – *Hoar Construction*
- **BrightHouse Networks Stadium, University of Central Florida**, Orlando – *Wharton-Smith*
- **Interstate 10 Bridges over Escambia Bay**, Escambia Co., Fla. – *Flatiron/Tidewater Skanska*
- **U.S. 192/Interstate 4 Interchange**, Osceola Co., Fla. – *Granite Construction Co.*