



Gothic touches characterize Old Tolson Mill in McLean, Virginia, winner of the Custom Builder Award for Design + Architecture, Single Lot over 7,000 square feet.



Situated on a spacious lot with mountain views, the stone-and-brick Lexington in Aldie, Virginia, received the award for Custom Home of the Year.

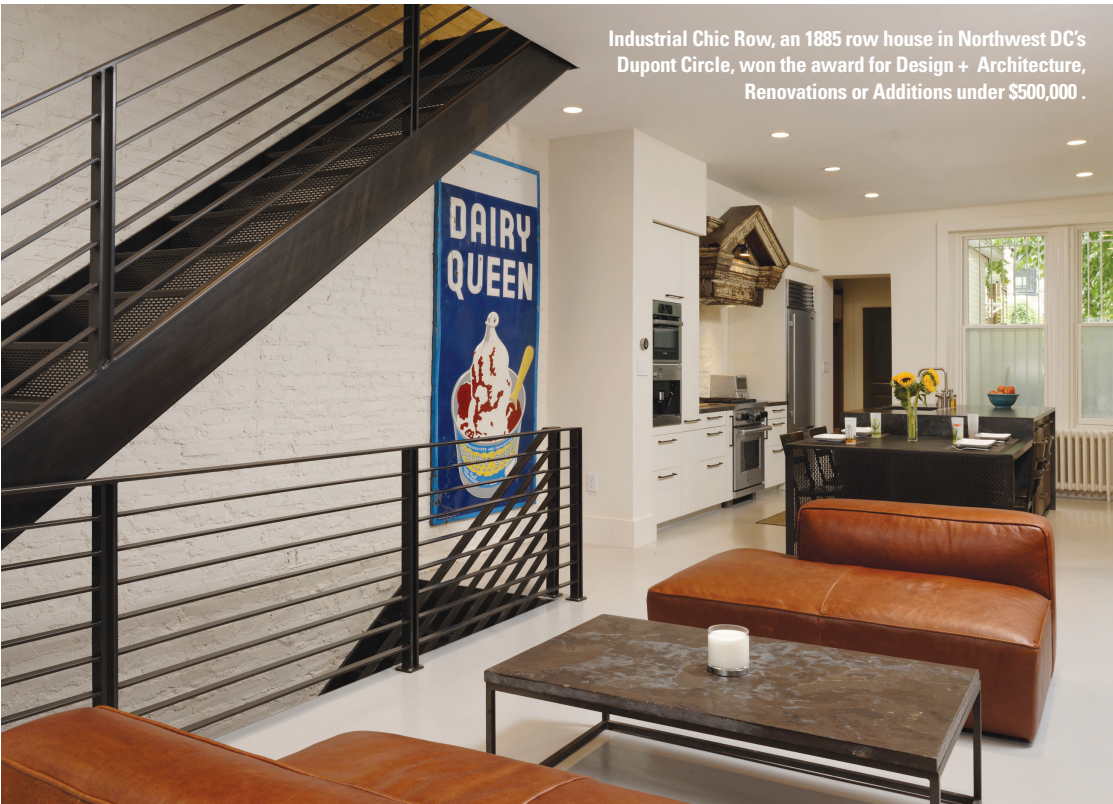
# AND THE WINNER IS...

*The 2018 Great American Living Awards recognize the best in home design and community planning in Maryland, DC and Virginia*

Each year, a panel of building-industry professionals chooses nominees for the Great American Living Awards. Sponsored by the Northern Virginia Building Industry Association, the Washington Metropolitan Sales & Marketing Council and the Maryland Building Industry Association, the GALA Awards—held last fall at the Hilton McLean Tysons Corner—honor excellence in new home architecture, interior design, sales and marketing in the Mid-Atlantic region. The 2018 entries filled 45 categories; those pertaining to architecture and design included single- and multi-family homes, townhomes and condominiums, and custom-home and remodeling projects. On the following pages, we spotlight the Grand award winners in custom building, residential architecture and design.



Located in Chevy Chase, Maryland, Kennedy Drive won the Custom Builder Award for Design + Architecture, Renovations or Additions over \$1,000,000.



Industrial Chic Row, an 1885 row house in Northwest DC's Dupont Circle, won the award for Design + Architecture, Renovations or Additions under \$500,000.

## CUSTOM BUILDER AWARDS

- **CUSTOM HOME OF THE YEAR**—THE LEXINGTON, Aldie, Virginia. Novella Homes, Lessard Design, also winner of Design + Architecture, Custom Home, Single Lot, 5,001 – 7,000 square feet. Photography: Bryant Payden
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, CUSTOM HOME, SINGLE LOT**
  - Under 3,000 square feet.** SHENANDOAH RIVER COTTAGE, Strasburg, Virginia. Beall's Remodeling & Construction, W.C. Ralston Architects.
  - 3,000 – 5,000 square feet.** 36TH STREET, Arlington, Virginia. Artisan Homes, James McDonald Associate Architects.
  - Over 7,000 square feet.** OLD TOLSON MILL, McLean, Virginia, The Building Group, James McDonald Associate Architects. Photography: Bradley Caricofe
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, CUSTOM OR CUSTOMIZED INFILL HOME**
  - 3,000 – 5,000 square feet.** 2822 23RD N, Arlington, Virginia. Sarantis Properties, Sutton Yantis Associates Architects.
  - 5,001 – 7,000 square feet.** BULL NECK NEWPORT, McLean, Virginia. Artisan Homes, James McDonald Associate Architects.
  - Over 7,000 square feet.** 732 LAWTON STREET, McLean, Virginia. Bethesda Builders, GTM Architects.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, RENOVATIONS OR ADDITIONS**
  - Under \$500,000** INDUSTRIAL CHIC ROW, Washington, DC. BOWA. Photography: Bob Narod
  - \$500,000 - \$1,000,000** EATON DRIVE, McLean, Virginia. GNC Construction Company, James McDonald Associate Architects.
  - Over \$1,000,000** KENNEDY DRIVE, Chevy Chase, Maryland. BOWA, Kramer Architects. Photography: Bob Narod



ARCHITECTURE + DESIGN WINNERS

- **HOME OF THE YEAR**—OPAL AT CLUSS COURT CAR BARN | CAPITOL HILL, Washington, DC. OPaL, GPS Designs, also winner of Design + Architecture, Multifamily, Boutique Construction and Design + Architecture, Best Adaptive Reuse. Photography: Maxine Schnitzer
- **COMMUNITY OF THE YEAR**—TEN AT CLARENDON, Arlington, Virginia. Clark Builders Group, Bonstra | Haresign Architects. Photography: Anice Hoachlander
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, DETACHED HOME (lots under 7,000 square feet)**  
**\$700,001 - \$850,000**—THE ARIA AT BRAMBLETON WEST PARK, Ashburn, Virginia. Miller & Smith, W.C. Ralston Architects.  
**Over \$850,000**—OPAL AT THE MANORS SINGLE FAMILY, Cabin John, Maryland. OPaL, GPS Designs.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, DETACHED HOME (lots 7,000 square feet and over)**  
**\$500,001 - \$600,000**—THE TORRINGTON AT POTOMAC SHORES, Dumfries, Virginia. Brookfield Residential, W.C. Ralston Architects.  
**\$600,001 - \$700,000**—THE MACARTHUR AT WESTBURY GLEN, Aldie, Virginia. Lennar, Lessard Design.  
**\$700,001 - \$850,000**—THE GLENFIELD AT BLACK OAK CREEK, Purcellville, Virginia. Carrington Homes, James McDonald Associate Architects. Photography: Maxine Schnitzer  
**\$850,001 - \$1,000,000**—THE ASHFORD AT LAYTONSVILLE GROVE, Laytonsville, Maryland. Lennar, Devereaux & Associates.  
**\$1,000,001 - \$1,400,000**—THE WINDERMERE AT LENA HILL, Aldie, Virginia. Toll Brothers. Photography: Ron Blunt  
**Over \$1,400,000**—THE BENTLEY AT RIVERMONT, Great Falls, Virginia. Basheer & Edgemoore, Smith & Associates Architects.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, MULTIFAMILY RENOVATION OR CONVERSION**  
2HOPKINS, Baltimore, Maryland. Berman Enterprises, BCT Architects.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, ATTACHED HOME**  
**\$300,000 - \$350,000**—THE AVON AT NEW POST, Fredericksburg, Virginia. Drees Homes.  
**\$350,001 - \$400,000**—THE ADAMS AT GEORGIA ROW AT WALTER REED, Washington, DC. Craftmark Homes, Lessard Design.  
**\$400,001 - \$500,000**—THE GRAMERCY AT RIVER PLACE, Frederick, Maryland. Wormald Homes.  
**\$500,001 - \$600,000**—THE MAYFAIR AT BRAMBLETON GARDEN DISTRICT, Ashburn, Virginia. Miller & Smith, W.C. Ralston Architects.  
**\$600,001 - \$700,000**—THE ROCKLAND AT BRAMBLETON TOWN CENTER, Ashburn, Virginia. Knutson Companies, Lessard Design.  
**\$700,001 - \$850,000**—THE BELGRAVE AT BRAMBLETON GARDEN DISTRICT, Ashburn, Virginia. Miller & Smith, W.C. Ralston Architects.  
**Over \$850,000**—1LX AT UPPER WEST AT ONE LOUDOUN, Ashburn, Virginia. Miller & Smith, The Eisen Group.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, MULTIFAMILY**  
**New Construction**—AVA NOMA, Washington, DC. AvalonBay Communities, KTGy.  
**Boutique Construction**—OPAL AT CLUSS COURT CAR BARN | CAPITOL HILL, Washington, DC. OPaL, GPS Designs. Photography: Maxine Schnitzer  
**Mixed-Use**—THE DALEY AT SHADY GROVE METRO, Rockville, Maryland. Bozzuto Homes, KTGy.
- **DESIGN + ARCHITECTURE, ADAPTIVE REUSE**—OPAL AT CLUSS COURT CAR BARN | CAPITOL HILL, Washington, DC. OPaL, GPS Designs. Photography: Maxine Schnitzer
- **INNOVATIVE LAND PLANNING**  
**Residential**—RIVERMONT, Great Falls, Virginia. Basheer & Edgemoore, Christopher Consultants.  
**Mixed-Use**—ONE LOUDOUN, Ashburn, Virginia. Miller & Smith, One Loudoun, The Eisen Group.



Energy-efficient apartment living is available at Ten at Clarendon in Arlington, Virginia, winner of the Community of the Year award.



An emphasis on indoor/outdoor living distinguishes The Windermere at Lenah Mill in Aldie, Virginia, which won for Design + Architecture, Detached Home (lots under 7,000 square feet) \$1,000,001 - \$1,400,000.



The Home of the Year award went to Opal At Cluss Court Car Barn | Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, a restored 1920s car barn.



The Glenfield at Black Oak Creek in Purcellville, Virginia, won the award for Design + Architecture, Detached Home (lots under 7,000 square feet) \$700,001 - \$850,000.