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Winning Ideas



CHANGE IS UPON US. Eight years ago, after Hurricane Katrina devastated the Gulf Coast, the public began to take note of designing and building for resilience and sustainability. Last year's Sandy—the second costliest hurricane in the United States—furthered that dialogue, prompting New York City mayor Michael Bloomberg to unveil a \$20 billion plan in June to protect the city from future storms. It's no wonder that architects, landscape architects, and urban planners today are exploring the steps they can take to enact change—to enable their projects, clients, and end-users to weather these events. In this issue's feature story, "Products of Climate Change" (page 16), we look at what some forward-thinking architects are doing to combat weather-related disasters and the highly effective products they're turning to. And in "Product Spec: Landscape" (page 40), we offer more ideas on how to mitigate the impact of storms from the perspective of landscape architects.

Another change is occurring right here in the pages of SNAP. We have always curated and covered innovative architectural, building, and interiors products, but this year we turned the tables and asked a jury of your professional peers to choose the best featured products for our first-ever SNAPPY awards—a program we intend to present annually. Readers helped us shortlist products in a range of categories—from bath fixtures to glazing systems—and then a panel of architects selected the 20 winners. If you missed our SNAPPY presentations at the AIA convention in Denver in June, you can read about the honors in this issue's feature "The Winners' Circle" (page 24).

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SNAPPY AWARDS





MORZIP

MANUFACTURER: Morin, A Kingspan Group Company Meant for both vertical and horizontal architects to use the same material for roofing and walls, resulting in a more cohesive design. The system is offered in copper, 12-, 16-, and 18-inch widths. Options include curved or straight tapered detail, and convex or concave format.

MORINCORP.COM (SNAP #17)

FULL CIRCLE

MANUFACTURER: Winona Solutions+Light

Recessed lighting fixtures are often offered in linear formats, but Winona ups the ante with the curved Full Circle luminaire. The fixture comes in, of course, a full-circle shape, but also a radius, $straight, and \, organic \, shape. \, The \, series \, uses \, fluorescent \, lamping, \, and \, multiple \, units \, can \, be \, constant \, shape \, constan$ combined to create visually intriguing installations.

WINONALIGHTING.COM (SNAP #18)

SEFAR ARCHITECTURE VISION



MANUFACTURER: SEFAR Architecture

This metal-coated precision fabric interlayer is permanently fused between glass or acrylic, and boasts impressive depth and color, aiding in solar energy reflection and heat-gain control while maintaining clear views to the exterior. The printable fabric Pantone-color inks. Mesh openings range from 25 to 70 percent.

SEFAR.US (SNAP #16)





AGAVE SERIES

MANUFACTURER: Kornegay Design Inspired by imagery of the Sonoran Desert, the Agave Series sports a dimensional pattern modeled after the succulent plant it's named for. At once both organic and mechanical in appearance, the hand-cast concrete planters range in diameter from 24 to 48 inches, and in height from 131/2 to 221/2 inches. KORNEGAYDESIGN.COM (SNAP #19)



AIRRENEW EXTREME IMPACT INDOOR AIR QUALITY GYPSUM BOARD

MANUFACTURER: CertainTeed Gypsum
Using proprietary VOC-scavenging technology, this gypsum board product cleans the air by capturing formaldehydes that circulate indoors. The product contains up to 96 percent recycled content to boot. CERTAINTEED.COM (SNAP #21)

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KERDI-DRAIN WITH TILEABLE COVERING SUPPORT

MANUFACTURER: Schluter-Systems Kerdi-Drain with Tileable Covering Support seamlessly blends right into the surface thanks to its frameless design. The secret is a square stainless-steel support plate with Schluter-KERDI laminated onto the surface SCHLUTER.COM

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