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## Anders Lasater Architects win coveted AIAOC awards

The American Institute of Architects, Orange County Chapter (AIAOC), recently awarded several accolades to Laguna Beach-based Anders Lasater Architects. The gala and ceremony, held on Sept 15 at the Ocean Institute in Dana Point, celebrates the association's annual 2016 Design Awards.

With a tradition of honoring exceptional solutions to the complex problems of today's architectural environment, the AIAOC Design Awards celebrate innovative solutions to the architectural challenges facing Orange County, regardless of project category, type, or budget. From the largest urban planning resolution to the smallest home on a constrained lot, each project receiving an award stands on its own merit as an example of exceptional work by exceptional architects.

"Anders Lasater Architects are very deserving of these coveted awards," said AIAOC president, Mark Paone, AIA. "Each of the three projects awarded reflect the excellent and unique design capabilities of the firm. The AIA Orange County is proud of our local firms that are excelling at design and gaining national attention."



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### ***CEO Anders Lasater is thrilled with his firm's AIAOC awards***

"Each year, AIAOC sends out a call for entries for its design awards because of the core belief that good architecture matters. Architecture shapes our culture and influences our identity. It is the lasting evidence of who we are, who we were, and who we hope to be," said Anders Lasater, owner/CEO of Anders Lasater Architects, Inc.

Lasater captured two awards from the AIA Featured Award Category: the 2016 niche award for a free standing, tenant or food court property; for two restaurants including a Citation Award for the Silver Trumpet Restaurant and Bar and the Honor Award for Urbun Burger. The firm also received a Citation Award in the Residential Custom Category for its work on the Dillion Residence.

"It's my belief that well-designed buildings leave a fundamentally powerful and lasting impression on their users. It is the duty of our architectural community to both expect great work from our peers and to celebrate and recognize it when it is produced. The AIAOC makes it a priority to encourage its members to continue producing and submitting exceptional pieces of architecture for recognition at these awards," said Lasater at the event.

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