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2014 WINNERS

The top ten projects as chosen by our esteemed panel of judges.



2014 BEST IN SHOW

The overall winner of all submissions, and the highest honor of the Architects Challenge.

SHINGLE-STYLE SANCTUARY

Architect: Patrick Ahearn Architect LLC

Location: Martha's Vineyard, MA

Construction: Rosbeck Builders

Interiors: Slifer Designs

Residential Large

"Rigorously symmetrical yet relaxed in shape and proportions, this house is very well executed inside and out. It feels appropriately sized for its site and is well detailed. It's by far the best of the Shingle Style submittals."

The project is a new construction of a family compound consisting of two new houses and associated site development along South Beach. Due to the topography of the nearby dunes, the living spaces of the main and guest houses were located on the second floor in order to gain the panoramic views of the ocean and extended coastline beyond. The challenge was to create a shingle-style island vernacular architecture that did not reflect the upside-down nature of the primary living space.

The inspiration was based on the desire to take a large program and break it into smaller architectural elements based on the idea that the homes could have originally been constructed in the 1920s or 1930s and then added onto over time. This concept of "implied history" is one that creates a legacy of a seaside architecture from the rich history of New England's past, yet has evolved into how people want to live today.

The Marvin products, with their hurricane-resistant capabilities, were a clear choice based on this locale. The use of the folding door systems allowed for the ease of flow from indoor to outdoor spaces in a timeless way.

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