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Ward+Blake named Firm of the Year by Wyo AIA

By Business Report Staff

JACKSON - Ward+Blake Architects was named Firm of the Year by AIA Wyoming at its recent Honor Awards ceremony. In addition, the Jackson firm won an Award of Citation for its EHA Family Residence.

Ward + Blake's EHA Residence, Winner of the Award of Citation, is a 7,334-square-foot home built in a grove of aspens between the Teton Range and the Snake River in Jackson Hole. One of the home's unique features is traditional dovetailed logs finished with cast glass "chinking" to allow diffused light into the interior space by day and to provide a lantern effect by night.

About its selection of Ward + Blake for Firm of the Year, the AIA states: "For nearly 20 years, Ward + Blake has contributed to the ongoing design discourse of New West architecture in Wyoming by creating contextually designed public spaces and homes that possess an accountability to the site, client and historical continuum in which they were conceived."

"We are deeply honored by the Firm of the Year recognition from AIA Wyoming," says Ward + Blake Principal Mitch Blake. "It is especially meaningful to receive an award that stresses collaboration and long-term contributions to the community, both of which have always been an important part of our overall mission."

"It's terrific to have our staff and body of work recognized in this way," adds Ward + Blake Principal Tom Ward. "We continually strive to learn and grow, pushing the boundaries with our passion for sustainable, contextual design, honestly expressed."

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Letter from the President

It is with great pleasure that I share with you the wonderful accomplishments that AIA Wyoming architects have been recently honored for at our annual fall meeting held in Jackson, Wyoming. Even though the economy has presented a great challenge to us all, the interest and participation in AIA Wyoming events by the membership has not faltered and AIA Wyoming architects continue to be leaders in Wyoming's built environment. Our recent Design Award's program showcased a variety of project types and the special skills and talents that AIA Wyoming architects possess. Join me in celebrating the accomplishments of our members that are exhibited in this publication. The work that was submitted for review in Jackson once again serves notice to everyone that Design does indeed make a difference!

I am proud to say that AIA Wyoming architects benefit from the strong leadership position that the Executive Committee, our Board of elected officers, has taken in response to membership concerns for a multitude of ways to enhance the services that architects provide to Wyoming state and local entities and the general public.

We have recently adapted a Strategic Plan and five significant committees have been put in place to monitor the Chapter's goals and commitment to the professional services that our membership offers its clientele. Specifically, these committees address the Plan's goals through continuing education programs sponsored by the Chapter, and improved communication with members and the public through an enhanced and informative web site. AIA Wyoming is also becoming the advocate for AIA design professionals at the local, state and federal levels, in an effort to be the acknowledged leaders in our communities on all issues related to planning and design.

In these challenging economic times the quality of the projects exhibited at our annual fall meeting and published here clearly points out that the expertise and dedication of Wyoming professionals continues to play an indispensable role in improving our community's quality of life, the built environment and the value that architects bring to the project team.



Ed Armstrong, AIA
AIA Wyoming
2011 President

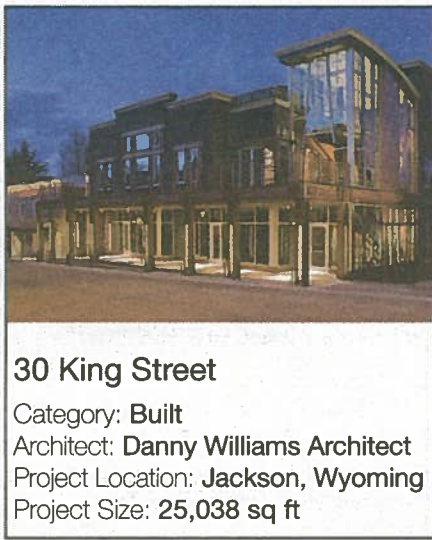
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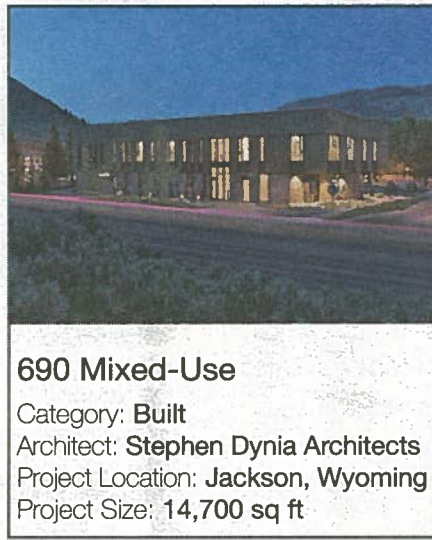
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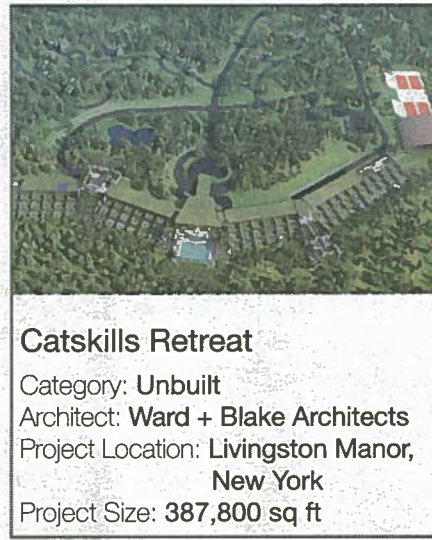
5 Lazy R Guest House
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **1,100 sq ft**



30 King Street
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Danny Williams Architect**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **25,038 sq ft**



690 Mixed-Use
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **14,700 sq ft**



Catskills Retreat
 Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Livingston Manor, New York**
 Project Size: **387,800 sq ft**

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Davey Jackson Elementary School
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Hawtin Jorgensen Architects, P.C.**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **81,771 sq ft**



Deadwood Recreation Center
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **TSP, Inc.**
 Project Location: **Deadwood, South Dakota**
 Project Size: **12,128 sq ft**



FireRock Steak House
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stateline No. 7 Architects**
 Project Location: **Casper, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **8,484 sq ft**



Four Seasons Hotel & Private Residences
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects and HKS Architects, Inc.**
 Project Location: **Denver, Colorado**
 Project Size: **856,749 sq ft**



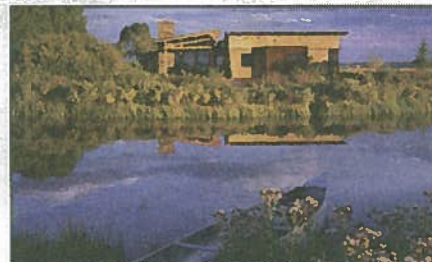
Indian Springs Ranch Residence
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **6,400 sq ft**



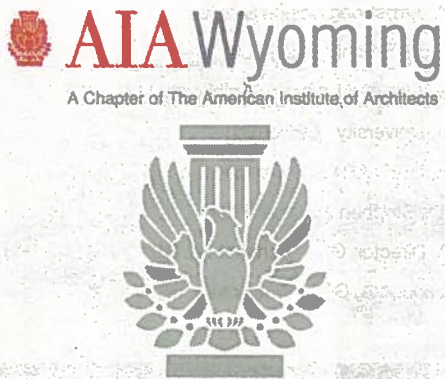
Martin-Pacifico Residence
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **3,197 sq ft**



Miller Park Lodge
 Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **41,000 sq ft**



New Fork Social Club Residence
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects**
 Project Location: **Pinedale, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **3,400 sq ft**



Architects on cover (clockwise beginning with airport): Carney Logan Burke Architects and Gensler Architects; Stephen Dynia Architects (2); Gilday Architects; Stephen Dynia Architects; Roger Strout Architects; Ward + Blake Architects (2)



Peaks View Residence
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **6,700 sq ft**



Pearl at Jackson
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Plan One/Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **42,984 sq ft**



Plateau Live/Work
 Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **8,000 sq ft**



PLC Residence

Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **8,105 sq ft**



Pocket Ranch

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Strout Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **1,778 sq ft**



Private Residence #1

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Hawtin Jorgensen Architects, P.C.**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **4,989 sq ft**



Private Residence #2

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Hawtin Jorgensen Architects, P.C.**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **4,459 sq ft**



Queens Lane Wine Silo

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Carney Logan Burke Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **300 sq ft**



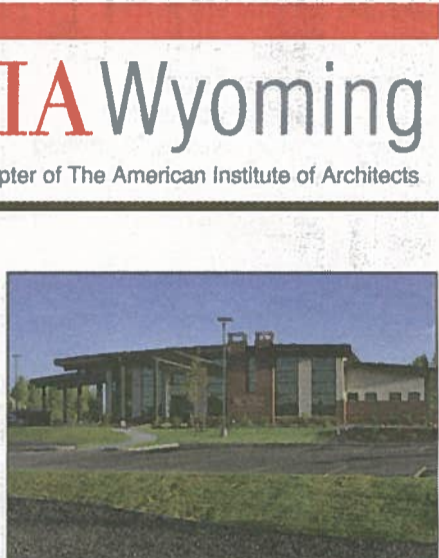
Rominger Residence

Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **5,996 sq ft**



Sunset Elementary

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Plan One/Architects**
 Project Location: **Cody, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **60,181 sq ft**



Teton Radiology Madison

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Rexburg, Idaho**
 Project Size: **11,452 sq ft**



Teton Residence 2

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **5,500 sq ft**



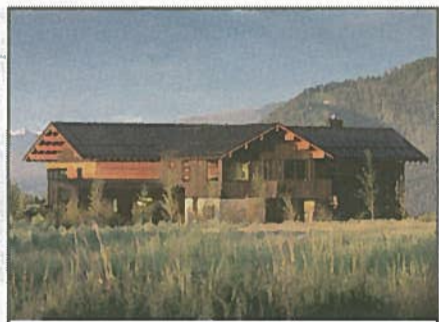
Teton Residence 3

Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **5,500 sq ft**



Teton Residence 4

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **5,135 sq ft**



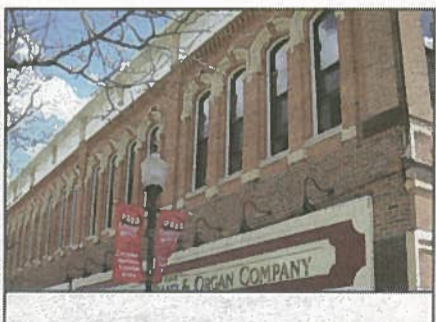
Teton Residence 5

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stephen Dynia Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **10,000 sq ft**



Trail Creek Residence

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Gilday Architects**
 Project Location: **Wilson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **6,000 sq ft**



Windsor Block Lofts

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Stateline No. 7 Architects**
 Project Location: **Rapid City, South Dakota**
 Project Size: **12,880 sq ft**



Yanke Residence

Category: **Unbuilt**
 Architect: **Ward + Blake Architects**
 Project Location: **Thomasville, Georgia**
 Project Size: **3,600 sq ft**



Yodler Residence

Category: **Built**
 Architect: **Gilday Architects**
 Project Location: **Jackson, Wyoming**
 Project Size: **3,000 sq ft**

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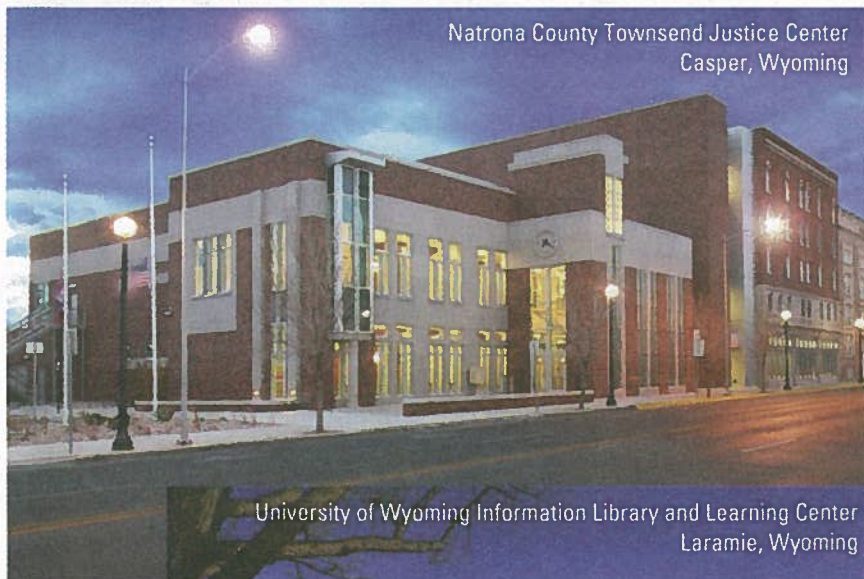


THIS RESIDENCE IS SITED IN A NATURAL CLEARING in a huge grove of aspen trees on a low lying lot situated between the Teton Range and the Snake River in northwestern Wyoming. As the site is dominated by jurisdictional wetlands; natural water course and man-made water features figure prominently in the site design.

Location: Jackson, Wyoming
Size: 7,334 sq ft / *Category:* Built

The house is based in a north-south/east-west orientation to capture views and to provide favorable southern exposure. A structure of regularly spaced bays defined by custom columns and trusses follows this orientation and relates the structure to the site's orientation. Material palate attempts to reconcile the tension created between modern architectural form with traditional reclaimed exterior siding, and weathered cor-ten corrugated roofing. The interior materials offer a refined palate of laminated bamboo, polished concrete and Russian Birch millwork to a natural setting.

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Barn structure of garage/family room and upstairs apartments are connected to the primary residence via an enclosed "floating" breezeway. Traditional dovetailed logs are finished with cast glass "chinking" to allow diffused light into the space by day and to provide a lantern effect by night. Evening luminescence is enhanced by the proximity of the barn and main house to the ponds and water features.

Consideration to the carbon footprint was addressed in a number of ways. Exterior siding was 100% recycled and all other finishes were either factory applied to control the actual finish material applied (such as powder coated garage doors) to selecting material that required no finish or continued maintenance (such as teak window frames and the use of cor-ten steel in place of painted metal).

Interior finishes followed along this same thinking with concrete floors and bamboo ceilings. All interior birch casework was finished with a low-VOC finish of the cabinet maker's own manufacture.

Heating and cooling is handled by a ground source heat pump utilizing ground water at 45 degrees Fahrenheit year round in an open-loop system. Cooling utilizes coil and ground water directly with no refrigerant needed further reducing the house's utilization of non-renewable energy. Walls and ceiling insulation employ sprayed-in-place foam producing walls of R-39 and ceiling of R-65.

A passive energy strategy is addressed through the use of high performance PPG glazing and generous southern exposure. Concrete floors at these locations absorb heat during the day and supplement the radiant floor system. Electronically activated solar shades provide sun and glare control as well. Solar penetration into the space is primarily controlled by precise design of the roof overhangs.

2011 Honor Awards

The AIA Wyoming Honor Awards Program recognizes the exceptional achievements of members, firms, and other contributions to the built environment in the Region. The categories include:

■ The AIA Wyoming Silver Medal

This is the highest honor presented by AIA Wyoming. The Silver Medal recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to the institute, the profession and the citizens of Wyoming, their community, and has transcended local boundaries in making these contributions.

■ The AIA Wyoming Award of Distinction

This award recognizes those individuals and organizations outside the AIA membership category of Architect, who have recorded, illustrated or contributed to a better understanding and interpretation of awareness of architecture in the Wyoming.

■ The AIA Wyoming Young Architects Award

This award recognizes those individuals who, at an early stage of their architectural career, have shown exceptional leadership in design, education and/or service to the profession.

■ The AIA Wyoming Twenty-Five Year Award

This award recognizes the built structure that has most influenced design and lifestyle in the state of Wyoming.

■ The AIA Wyoming Architectural Firm of the Year

This award recognizes the continuing collaboration among individuals in a firm who have produced distinguished architecture over a period of at least 10 years, and have made significant contributions to the institute, the profession and their community, and have transcended their local boundaries in making these contributions.



Ward + Blake Architects

WINNER

Firm of the Year



WARD + BLAKE ARCHITECTS WAS BUILT ON A DISTINCTIVE VISION: be provocative in thought, flexible in nature, and disciplined in execution. Since 1996, the firm has gained recognition for architecture that is sensitive to its environment and successfully integrated with its surroundings. Ward + Blake creates buildings that are tactile, modern, bio-climatically responsible, honestly expressed, technologically sound, and artfully crafted.

For nearly 20 years, Ward + Blake Architects has contributed to the ongoing design discourse of New West architecture in Wyoming by creating contextually designed public spaces and homes that possess an accountability to the site, client, and historical continuum in which they were conceived. Multi-faceted design accountability has become the unstated common denominator of all of the firm's projects – whether for gratis or commissioned – and marks Ward + Blake Architects' single greatest contribution to the architectural profession in Wyoming.

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