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**ARCHITIZER CELEBRATES 2016 A+AWARDS WINNERS
Prestigious Award Recipients Honored at May 12th Gala in New York**

New York City, NY, May 13, 2016—Architizer, the Web’s largest platform for architecture, celebrated the winners of the **fourth Annual Architizer A+Awards**, honoring the best architecture, spaces, and products from across the globe. This year’s winners include Bohlin Cywinski Jackson’s Apple store in Palo Alto; Rafael de Cárdenas LTD.’s Black Ocean Firehouse in New York; Phaedrus Studio’s Odin Bar + Café in Toronto, Sage and Coombe Architects’ Ocean Breeze Track and Field House in Staten Island, and Zaha Hadid Architects’ Messner Mountain Museum Coronas in Italy. The full list of finalists, Jury-selected and popular choice winners can be found at awards.architizer.com.

This year, the A+Awards received thousands of entries from more than 95 countries. A Jury-selected winner and a popular choice winner was awarded in each of the 113 categories. Popular choice winners were determined by the more than 400,000 public votes cast from more than 100 countries and territories.

Over 400 luminaries from the worlds of architecture, art, and design gathered for the A+ Awards gala on May 12th at Highline Stages in New York City. The event was hosted by HGTV star **John Gidding**. The late Zaha Hadid was honored with a special video tribute. Five achievement awards were presented to the following:

Emerging Firm of the Year: **Chris Precht + Dayong Sun** (Penda)

The Impact Award: **Daniel Feldman + Ivan Quinoñes** (Feldman and Quinoñes)

Product of the Year: **Samsung Gear VR**

Advocate of the Year: **Paul Goldberger** (Author and Pulitzer Prize-winning architecture critic)

Firm of the Year: **Jeanne Gang** (Studio Gang)

Noteworthy guests in attendance included **Marc Kushner** and **Matthias Hollwich**, co-founders of HWKN (Hollwich Kushner) and Architizer, **Anthony Cennamo** (Publisher, WSJ. Magazine) **Toshiko Mori** (Toshiko Mori Architect), **Jeanne Gang** (Studio Gang), **Christopher Sharples** (SHoP), **Daniel Arsham + Alex Mustonen** (Snarkitecture), **Dominic Leong** (Leong Leong), **Chris Precht** (Penda), **Daniel Feldman + Ivan Quinoñes** (Feldman and Quinoñes), **Carlos Quevedo Rojas** (Carquero), **Paul Goldberger**, author and Pulitzer Prize-winning architecture critic, **Robert Hammond**, Co-Founder, Friends of the Highline, **Dan Barasch**, Co-Founder, The Lowline, Gary Handel, Handel Architects, and Benjamin Prosky, Executive Director of the American Institute of Architects New York Chapter (AIANY) and the Center for Architecture.

In collaboration with its partners, **The Wall Street Journal**, **WSJ. Magazine**, **Dwell**, **the Webby Awards**, **Phaidon**, and **Cool Hunting**, and with support from sponsors including **LEGO**, **Sunbrella**, and **Audemars Piguet**, the A+Awards reaches an audience of more than 300 million via media outlets across the globe.

Eight firms were asked to build models of their award-winning projects using professional white Lego bricks, which were displayed at the event. The Brooklyn-based firm [Snarkitecture](http://Snarkitecture.com) created the bespoke A+ Awards trophy. Winners from the Typology and +Plus Categories will be featured in a stunning hardbound book published by Phaidon, packed with full-color images and insightful commentary by the creators of each project.

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