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The 2014 Home Building Industry (HOBBI) Awards



Lofty brick arches, a matching firepit, and a fully equipped kitchen outfit this stately pavilion, which took the award for Best Outdoor Room. **PROJECT TEAM:** Builder, Significant Homes; Architecture, Douglas VanderHorn Architects; Landscape architecture and construction, Doyle Herman Design Associates; Masonry, N Vona Sons-in-Law



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The award winner for Best Custom Home 10,000–12,000 SF was designed to look as if it has been there as long as the hundred-year-old tree in the front yard. **PROJECT TEAM:** Builder, Significant Homes; Architecture, Douglas VanderHorn Architects; Landscape design and construction, Labriola Landscaping; Interior design, Lee Ann Thornton; Millwork, Greenfield Mill and Renaissance Millwork; Kitchen design and cabinetry, Klaff's

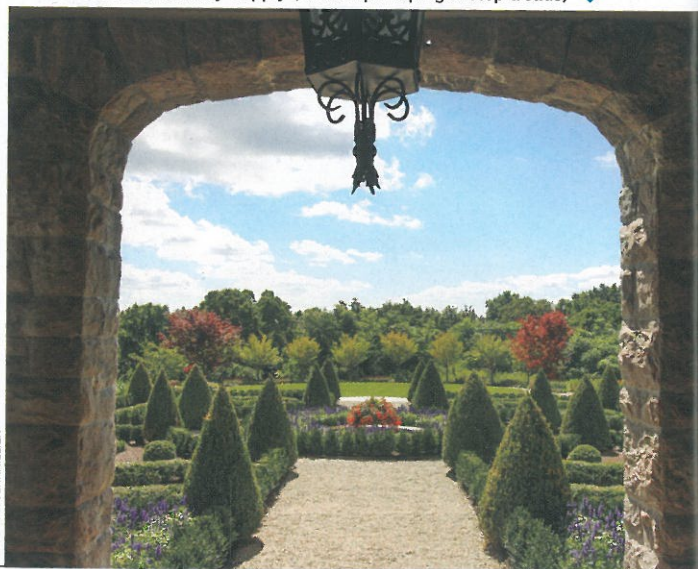


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November 18, 2014, saw the presentation of the **TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL HOBBI AWARDS** by the Home Builders & Remodelers Association of Connecticut. As always, the cream of the state's residential construction community was on hand to celebrate the dozens of beautiful projects that were recognized for excellence. Here are a few of the evening's highlights—and please join us in congratulating all of the year's winners.

Best Outdoor Living Environment went to a particularly elegant set of English garden rooms in Westchester. **PROJECT TEAM:** Landscape architecture, Conte & Conte Landscape Architecture; Landscape construction, Fairfield House & Garden Company; Builder, Murphy Brothers Contracting; Architecture, Mitchell Wilk Architecture; Interior design, Peter S. Balsam Associates and Jayne Goldstein Interior Design; Specialty work, International Architectural Ironworks (fabricated rose iron arches) and Bedford Stone & Masonry Supply (landscape coping & step treads)





Douglas VanderHorn Architects

Douglas VanderHorn Architects is a classically focused architecture firm whose associates are inspired by the great residential architecture of the past. For more than twenty-seven years Douglas has strived to create buildings of enduring character that accommodate current lifestyles and seamlessly incorporate modern building technologies. Projects range from historically sensitive renovations and additions to traditionally inspired new designs. The office currently consists of ten highly dedicated individuals with experience ranging from historic preservation

to sustainable design to architectural interiors. Although Douglas has been involved with more than 120 successful projects in various parts of the country, his focus continues to be beautifully crafted traditional residences in lower Fairfield County, Connecticut. The firm employs a variety of drawing, rendering, and physical and advanced computer-modeling techniques to assist clients in visualizing designs. A superior understanding allows for informed decisions about the project's scope, material selections, budgeting, and so on. In addition to an experienced and dedicated in-house staff, the

firm maintains a network of talented landscape architects, interior decorators, engineers, specialized consultants, contractors, craftsmen, and artisans. With decades of experience in a range of historic styles, including Federal, Shingle, Tudor, and French Normandy, Douglas VanderHorn Architects strives to create homes that are architecturally appropriate for the site and surrounding neighborhood. Projects generally have a similar intent: to build a home that looks as if it's been on the site for decades, while creating a series of interior spaces designed for contemporary living.



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