

THE VISION OF ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS, INTERIOR DESIGNERS AND LANDSCAPE PROFESSIONALS CREATE RESIDENTIAL SPACES WITH STRIKING CHARACTER. OUR ANNUAL HOME OF THE YEAR COMPETITION RECOGNIZES THE BEST OF THE BEST. DISCOVER HOW CREATIVITY, INTEGRITY, FORM AND FUNCTION CONVERGE TO BRING THESE TREASURED HOMES ALIVE.

# HOME OF THE YEAR 2015



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**PREVIOUS PAGE CLOCKWISE (L-R):** Guy Peterson Durbin House, Best Overall Home Over \$2 Million, Platinum. Photo by Greg Wilson. Josh Wynne, Leader Design Studio, Lotus on Orange, Best Sustainable Green Home. Platinum. Photo by Ryan Gamma. Dynan Construction Venice Island Mid-Century Modern, Best Kitchen, Platinum. Photo by Raif Fluker. DWY Landscape Architects, Sanderling Estate. Best Landscaping. Platinum. Photography by SRQ 360. Dynan Construction Venice Island Mid-Century Modern, Best Remodel/Renovation, Platinum. Photo by Raif Fluker.

## 2015 Finalists & Winners

**Guy Peterson**  
**Leader Design Studio**  
**Jonas Yoder Custom Homes**  
**Dynan Construction**  
**Jonathan Parks Architect**  
**NC Ferguson Construction**  
**Eurotech Cabinetry**  
**SAWA Design Studio**  
**RGB Architects**  
**Borden Landscape Design**  
**DWY Landscape Architects**  
**Mark Sultana, DSDG**



### STEPHANIE GAINES CURTS GAINES HALL JONES, TAMPA

Stephanie December Gaines joined Curts Gaines Hall Jones in 1984 and has been a principal of the firm since 1992. Prior to joining CGHJ, her professional experience included historic preservation of national landmark buildings, luxury custom residences, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-financed housing and state government agency projections in Louisiana. Gaines' special interest in urban renewal and historic preservation has led to an extensive personal commitment to the preservation and revitalization of historic urban communities, as well as the design of historic adaptive reuse and new urban in-fill projects for mixed uses including retail, business, restaurant and residential. She has a particular fondness for providing architectural services for single home owners because of the personal relationships fostered and the process of creating for the unique owners of the home.



### HUGO MIJARES ONEDB ARCHITECTURE, MIAMI

Hugo Mijares established his Miami studio in 2007 and his Milan studio in 2012 to pursue a broad design practice. Mijares is a graduate of the UJMV in Caracas with a Masters Degree from the University of South Florida and post-professional studies at Harvard University. He holds a Florida Honors Fellowship and numerous design and architecture awards. Trained as an architect and industrial designer, he has sought to integrate client based design services with speculative making. Regardless of the project scope, scale or type, the studio is careful to develop the experiential as well as the programmatic requirements of a project, with a goal to produce work that transcends function and exceeds expectations, while considering the economical and environmental costs. Mijares has done projects for Technomarine, Max Mara, Alessi, Sonesta, W Resorts, Addison House and Kartell, just to name a few.



### DAVID POORMAN DAVID POORMAN ARCHITECT, NAPLES

David is a "near" native of Florida who arrived here 1972. After receiving a Bachelor of Design at University of Florida, Poorman earned his Masters in Architecture from Princeton University. He lived for 10 years in Downtown Chicago, working and travelling for Perkins and Will and then for David Woodhouse Architects. A design project for an internationally-known Illinois arboretum convinced him that the Florida landscape was personally more inspiring, and he returned to his Florida roots in 2001. In 2010, Poorman established David Poorman Architect LLC, an award-winning firm specializing in small scale residential and commercial projects. His work continues to be inspired and informed by Florida's natural resources and immemorial beauty.



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2015 BEST OVERALL HOME  
UNDER \$2 MILLION

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## LOTUS ON ORANGE **LEADER DESIGN STUDIO**

This home is located in the historic Bungalow Heights neighborhood of Sarasota. The residents, who previously lived in Singapore and California, envisioned a warm, modern and sustainable home designed to embrace the Florida lifestyle of indoor-outdoor living. Specific pieces from the residents' collection of Asian art and furnishings were integrated into the design, and are accented by a warm palette of natural materials. Set on busy Orange Avenue, a walled entry courtyard was created that features a large lotus pond, tropical plantings and polished concrete water feature to reduce traffic noise. Guests enter the home with a walk across the floating pads in the lotus pond and arrive to an intimate entry vestibule opening upon an expansive light-filled living room with high ceilings and clerestory windows. Two 16-foot sliding glass doors in the kitchen and living room open to access the screened tropical outdoor room, gas fire pit and swimming pool. The eat-in kitchen sits as the bridge between the lotus pond and the swimming pool and provides views to each through expansive walls of glass, truly bringing the outdoors in. A free-standing pantry wall screens the access to the private wings of the house. The master suite features a private tropical courtyard, accessible only through the master bath. This space features glass walls, lush plantings, and an outdoor shower. A warm palette of natural materials is used both interior and exterior. Polished concrete floors were chosen for their durability, thermal massing effect and their natural beauty. Cypress wood detailing, terrazzo tiles and bamboo panels provide a rich contrast to the smooth white walls of the home's interior. The home is LEED Platinum certified (106) and FGBC Platinum certified (201), and is a certified Net Zero Energy home by Energy Star. **Designer: Leader Design Studio. Contractor: Josh Wynne Construction. Pool by: Pools by Ron Schulz. Landscape: Michael A. Gilkey Landscapers and Contractors. Photography by: Ryan Gamma.**



2015 BEST RENOVATION

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## 54th WEST RESIDENCE **SAWA DESIGN STUDIO / LEADER DESIGN STUDIO**

The interior renovation of this two-story townhome was designed to reflect the European owner's desire for an open and elegant home featuring clean lines and timeless natural materials. The original home featured a cramped and dimly lit kitchen, angled walls, low ceilings and dated finishes. The renovation stripped the home to its studs, and dramatically reconfigured spaces to maximize the connection between rooms and take advantage of natural light. The centerpiece of the reconfigured first floor is a new open kitchen featuring a long island clad in zebrawood. The appliances, pantry and full-height cabinets were relocated to a new long storage wall that abuts another unit, allowing a connection between the kitchen, living and dining rooms. A piece of frosted glass serves as a divider between the kitchen and the entryway to allow natural light to reach the kitchen while maintaining privacy. **Designer: Leader Design Studio. Contractor: J.M. Meyer Construction. Interior Design: SAWA Design Studio. Photography by: SRQ 360.**









PLATINUM

2015 BEST SUSTAINABLE HOME

## LOTUS ON ORANGE **JOSH WYNNE CONSTRUCTION / LEADER DESIGN STUDIO**

Lotus on Orange was designed with consideration of the clients' love of European modern styling as well as their love of the warmth from the California-style of modern homes. Tied to the demands of our local environment and our regional material selections, the resulting design bears a strong resemblance to the Sarasota School of Architecture style that defined the local vernacular in the 1950s. The large expanses of glass allow for natural daylight throughout the home while large sliders and casement glass allow for passive ventilation through the home. The views are centralized to the natural flower pond in the front court as well as the pool and outdoor living areas to the rear. The roof integrated screen enclosure is reminiscent of earlier efforts by early architects during the Sarasota School movement. The material palette is warm, simple, and is characterized by clean lines and strong geometry. Cypress wood detailing, terrazzo tiles, and bamboo panels counter-balance the smooth white walls of the homes interior which serve to provide bouncing light and a frame work for viewing the outdoor spaces. The landscape is 100-percent Florida-friendly. It was carefully considered to provide the necessary screenwork in an infill lot such as this, while being sensitive to the single-story scale of the home and the adjacent neighbors. There are three courtyards that are the critical adjuncts between the vertical architecture and the landscape architecture. The entry court welcomes you from the street frontage with a Koi and Lotus pond. A fountain provides a visible anchor and produces white noise to drown out the sounds of city life. Every visit starts with a walk across the floating pads in the Lotus pond. The rear court is the heart of the home. The "L" shaped design lives around and is open to this pool court with outdoor fireplace and kitchen area. To look west in this home is to lose your sense of place. The last courtyard is the most private. It is flanked by the master suite and is accessible only through the master bath. Glass walls, orchid walls and a thick tropical color garden complete the space. Lotus on Orange has risen from the murk. This home is LEED Platinum certified (106), FGBC Platinum certified (201) and is a certified Net Zero Energy Home by EnergyStar under the v.3.1 standard with a HERS of -7. **Designer: Chris Leader, Leader Design Studio. Builder: Josh Wynne Construction. Interior Design: SAWA Design Studio. Pool By: Ron Schulz. Landscape: Michael A. Gilkey. Solar: Region Solar. Kitchen Cabinets: Real Woods Architectural Millwork. Photography by: Ryan Gamma.**





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## FISH CAMP **JOSH WYNNE CONSTRUCTION / LEADER DESIGN STUDIO**

The Historic neighborhood known as the Villages, along the bayside of northern Longboat Key is the setting for our latest project. The area has a rich history. Most of the older homes were once fish camps: small homes used as fishing retreats for many of the areas founders, dignitaries and celebrities. This home could best be described as a contemporary Key West-style. However, this is not your grandfather's fish camp! This all-masonry structure stands strong on deep, concrete pilings to resist the most persistent storms. The casement and awning windows and storm resistant doors are of the most durable materials and feature large-missile, impact resistant glass that are insulated, argon-filled and treated with a Low-E coating to greatly reduce heat loads. Yesterday's tern metal roof has been replaced with an Energy Star-rated, high-reflectivity metal roof. Unlike the old "breathable" homes built in the area long ago, we designed the home to lock up tightly like a refrigerator to conserve power, or capture the humid breeze without concern for material degradation. Amazing HVAC, quality Energy Star appliances, passive design featuring gorgeous mill work details from reclaimed materials and a Florida-friendly, drought tolerant landscape are just a few features worth noting. Perhaps the most impressive thing about this home is the enormous respect paid to the quality of the view. In spite of severe lot limitations and size and height restrictions, there are multiple views of North Sarasota Bay, Jewfish Key and further north to Cortez Bridge. Fish Camp is certified LEED Platinum by the USGBC (100), is certified FGBC Platinum (192) and is an EnergyStar v.3.1 home with a HERS index of 50. **Designer: Chris Leader, Leader Design Studio. Builder: Josh Wynne Construction. Pool By: Ron Schulz. Landscape: Michael A. Gilkey. Kitchen Cabinets: Metro Cabinet Company. Photography by: Ryan Gamma.**

