

Bala Awards

Godden | Sudik Architects collected two more Gold Awards to add to our already impressive collection. The awards were given during this year's NAHB International Builders Show in Orlando, Florida.

"The Albero" model, offered in Littleton Colorado's Verona community, won the Gold Award in the Best of 50+ Housing Awards Program for the Best Attached Home More than 1,800 s.f. This unit features an open floor plan, elegant fireplaces, wine room and a spacious guest suite. "This award affirms our commitment to designing for the rapidly growing 50+ housing market," said Gary Godden, Principal. "We appreciate the opportunity to design for this sector of the market. To be honored with such a prestigious award is a credit to our valued team and our design process," Godden added.



The second Gold earned was awarded at the Best in American Living (BALA) Awards Program. The winner was Godden | Sudik's "Rosamond" design in the Best Detached Home up to 2,000 s.f. category. The Rosemond model is offered by Berkeley Homes in Denver's hot-selling East Park at Lowry community. "Berkeley Homes gave us a great opportunity to let our design talent shine with the Rosamond," said Scott Sudik. The Gold Awarded model features a two story, 1,962 S.F. open floor plan that features a gourmet kitchen, well designed flex space, an elegant formal dining room and master bedroom with a spa-like master bathroom.



Growing Past Denver

With the ever-changing economy, people are always asking us questions like: are we seeing an upturn in work, what the new housing trends are, have we had to hire anyone recently, etc. All are great questions for forecasting where the economy is headed and the answer is yes, we have seen a huge upturn in work, good design will always sell, and we have doubled in size over the past year. We have truly progressed into 2012 and are not only adding work locally in the Denver Metro area, but are working with builders in areas like Ft. Collins, Pueblo and Grand Junction.

The Pauls Corporation is a great example of a builder we have had the opportunity to join forces with that has allowed us to offer homeowners exceptionally designed homes in new locations. In Perry Park, CO we have designed duplex's at The Retreat at Perry Park that highlight the exquisite red rocks formations and outdoor living available there. And in Windsor, CO sits the new community of Belmont Ridge home designs that feature smart living floor plans, attention to detail and modern amenities to fit every buyers needs.



Gary Godden Speaks on Key Architectural Topic at the NAHB International Builders Show

Gary Godden, Principal and President of Godden | Sudik Architects joined architect and land planner, Michael Medick of CRCS, Inc. to present "Competing with Foreclosures - Architecture and Land Planning Solutions for Distressed Properties" at this year's



NAHB International Builders Show in Orlando. "The quick decline of housing prices and the oversupply of developed and planned lots have changed the basics of new housing," says Godden, adding, "With stiff competition from resales and foreclosures, it is more important than ever to understand what makes new homes sell." Godden and Medick's IBS presentation focused on teaching attendees the tips and tricks of successful re-dos from both an architectural and land planning perspective. It also pointed out the important things to avoid in the process. The highlight topic areas of the session included:

- Analyzing the common trends of distressed properties, learning what buyers didn't respond to and what not to do.
- Discovering the creative ways other distressed properties have been redone from an architectural and land planning perspective.
- Analyzing ways to reduce the size and cost of homes while increasing marketability in a changing marketplace, including a detailed breakdown of a home's cost as well as money-saving strategies
- Discovering the limits of current land plans and exploring alternative development patterns that increase density and provide timely solutions.

Because a large percentage of homes built within the last few years have been in projects that started with a different concept conceived



by a different development team than might be in place today, the timeliness of the seminar could not have been better. "With the supply of developed and approved lots still in excess, this trend will continue for the near future," Gary Godden suggests.

In the Industry...

Godden|Sudik Continues to Grow

Godden|Sudik welcomes two new employees to our ever growing team, Mike Weigel and Kevin Gzym. Mike has over thirty years of architectural experience covering a variety of residential and commercial projects. Mike's extensive background as a department manager, project manager, designer and CAD operator has given him the professional expertise to produce the highest level of quality control in product development. His dedication, attention to detail and design skills give clients the trust and confidence they are looking for and have grown to trust with Godden|Sudik Architects. Kevin, Godden|Sudik Architects newest recruit, graduated from the University of Colorado Boulder in 2008 and was employed as an AutoCAD Coordinator shortly thereafter by the University. Kevin brings experience with residential architecture from his previous employment at Robert Hidey Architects in Southern California where he produced Schematic Design Documents and numerous renderings using AutoCAD and Revit to aid in the design process for custom and semicustom homes.



Verona Wins 50+ Award

The National Association of Home Builders' (NAHB) 50+ Housing Council announced the winners of its 2012 Best of 50+ Housing Awards during the International Builders Show last month. These awards honor excellence and innovation in the design, development and marketing of housing for the active adult and service-enriched markets. GSA won Best Attached Home (more than 1,800 sq. ft.) for The Albero Model at Verona in Highlands Ranch. Verona is a low-maintenance community for 55+ Active Adults located alongside the High Line Canal. Beautiful Tuscan architecture combined with low-maintenance, energy efficiency and life-flex © Certifications sets Verona Community apart. The Albero is a 2,725 square foot 3 bed 3 bath ranch plan with a walk out patio level. All main living spaces, including a master retreat, are on the main level and include ample entertaining space and an attached two care garage.

For more information about Verona please [click here](#).



Beacon Point Opens

Our most recent community, designed for Century Communities, has opened in Aurora, Colorado. Beacon Point is a luxury style community situated adjacent to the beautiful Aurora Reservoir. The community features four distinct floor plans priced in the low \$400's and range in size from 3,045 square feet to 3,846 square feet. These Denver Metro Homes were all designed to incorporate beautiful art niches, coffered ceilings, gourmet kitchens, 3 bay garages and plenty of windows to capture the surrounding views.



Visit Beacon Point today and see how these homes designed by Godden|Sudik Architects will fit so well with your lifestyle!

The IKEA Designed Home

As designers, we are always looking for the next new home design trend. Most of the time this means fabricating a new shower layout or a way to make flex space more practical. In some cases though, it means finding a great product and incorporating it within our homes design.



Such an idea arose when IKEA recently opened here in the Denver Metro Area. The store sprung such a commotion that it made us realize that IKEA's affordable, trendy designs are something that a lot of people are interested in and that we could easily incorporate into our homes. While it is still within the schematic design phase, Godden | Sudik Architects has team up with Berkeley Homes to create floor plans that incorporate IKEA kitchens, entertainment centers, bathrooms, etc. Not only is this an exciting design concept, but imagine being able to go to IKEA while you are trying to figure out what style of kitchen you want for your home and being able to drive over on a Tuesday night (or any other time) and look at some tangible options. We are excited about this concept for many reasons, but mostly because it continues to offer our clients a higher level of client services that we pride ourselves in.

In The Community...

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