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ICFA Awards Best Projects Throughout North America

The Insulating Concrete Form Association held the second annual ICFA Excellence Awards September 25, 2007 in conjunction with ICFA's Annual Meeting and Expo, recognizing the best ICF projects throughout North America. Commercial buildings and homes that were completed in 2006 and that met the program's guidelines were eligible for awards. Each entry was judged on its success in meeting requirements set forth in each category.

The winners include:



ICFA Grand Commercial Award Winner – Megaplex 20 at the District

Location: South Jordan, Utah

Architect: FFKR Architects

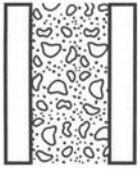
ICF Installer: IMS Masonry

Total Square Footage: 210,000 square feet

ICF Manufacturer: Reward Wall Systems

Features: The Grand Commercial Award to the Megaplex 20 at the District was an amazing entry. Just the size alone shows the magnitude of ICFs in use. The time of completion also demonstrates the advantages of ICF's.

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ICFA Grand Residential Award Winner – Bob and Kaye Eberhard Residence

Location: Redmond, Oregon

Architect/Designer: Peter B. Coughlin

Engineer: Glacier Inc.

General Contractor: PeterBuilt Homes, LLC

ICF Manufacturer: Logix ICF

Features: The Eberhard Residence was an amazing design with the terrain involved. The home is Energy Star rated, with a stucco finish over ICF with Rouge River stone accent. It has solar assisted/radiant floor heating system which demonstrates how much you can accomplish when you build with ICFs.



ICFA Small Residential Award Winner – Anthony & Cynthia Marchesiello Residence

Location: La Grange, California

Architect/Designer: Toledo Design & Development

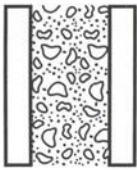
Engineer: Fred Diba Engineering

ICF Manufacturer: Arxx Building Products

Features: Access to the home begins with a 550ft trip up a winding driveway. Arxx ICF walls on all exterior and interior garage walls were used. Insulation in the attic has an R value of at least R38. The

house has Alamo inspired Mission styled stucco with traditional Eagle Brand tile roof.

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ICFA Large Residential Award Winner - Eberhard Residence

Location: Redmond, Oregon

Architect/Designer: Peter B. Coughlin

Engineer: Glacier Inc.

General Contractor: PeterBuilt Homes, LLC

ICF Manufacturer: Logix ICF

Features: Logix 6" ICF Block w/35% fly-ash concrete mix. 5" Slab Radiant floor heating over EZ-Floor Raz-panel R-11.8' insulation. The design was done with a program called Chief Architect 10.8. It's a 3-D walk-thru and renderings allowed the designer to tweak the design to fit the lot and accommodate the owner's square foot needs.



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ICFA Large Commercial Award

Winner – Megaplex 20 at the District

Location: South Jordan, Utah

Total Square Footage: 210,000 square feet.

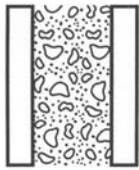
Architect/Designer: FFKR Architects

ICF Installer: IMS Masonry

ICF Manufacturer: Reward Wall Systems, Inc.

Features: One of the largest ICF projects ever built, with a wall area of 190,000 square feet (35,000 blocks) in heights of 36' and 50' above grade. Theatre complex has a main floor area of 144,500 square feet, equivalent to 2.5 NFL-approved-size

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ICFA Small Commercial Award Winner – Mills Quarter Properties

Location: Bend, Oregon
Architect/Designer: GGL and
4240

Engineer: Ang Engineering
ICF Manufacturer: Arxx
Building Products

Features: Great modern design and use of ICF's for the contemporary appeal. The structure has 25 units, 3 and 4 story homes, many with elevators and roof top decks. The units have unique insulating capability with long lasting structural component. This project earned the 2006 Tour of Homes, "Green Building Award."



ICFA Sustainability Award Winner – E2 City Homes

Location: Minneapolis, MN

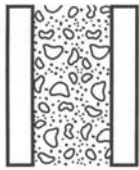
Architect/Designer: The Urban Project

ICF Distributor: Cemstone Contractor Supply

ICF Manufacturer: Reward Wall Systems, Inc.

Features: Great use of sustainable methods and products in a multi-family design, great design incorporating various elements. Geothermal heat pump (uses no fossil fuel, uses the earth for heating and cooling). Use of Insulated concrete poured walls with foam soybean based insulation. Energy Star rated windows and doors.

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**ICFA International Award
Winner – Ikarashi Kensetsu –
Kogyo - Japan**

Location: Niigata, Japan

Architect/Designer: Takahashi Osamu

Engineer: Natabe Takumi

General Contractor: Ikarashi Kensetsu
Kogyo

ICF Manufacturer: IntegraSpec

Features: A complex design utilizing the flexibility of ICF's. Due to the surrounded residential settings, there was much attention paid to soundproofing. IntegraSpec products use a knock down system. EPS panels and webs are delivered separately to the

construction site. This method gives us more quantity per unit, thus gives more flexibility to the execution method.

The judges for the program were selected based on their own unique experience with ICFs and their professional experience in the construction industry. They include:

- **Kate Driscoll - Senior Manager of the Concrete Home Building Council of the National Association of Home Builders**
- **Marshall Wallman – Design Basics, Inc.**
- **Joe Nasvik – Senior Editor, Hanley-Wood, Chicago, IL**

The ICFA Excellence Awards are a great way to show the design community, construction industry and the public-at-large what ICFs have to offer as a building system of choice. Participation in the Awards was at an all-time high, and the judges were faced with many entries and high-quality projects to go through. We hope that next year's participation exceeds what we as an Industry have managed to accomplish.

To learn more about the ICFA Excellence Awards and see a full listing of pictures and information, please visit the ICFA Excellence Awards area of the ICFA website.

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