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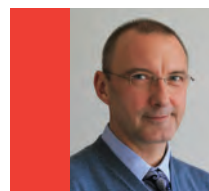
During challenging economic times, love for excellent architecture is put to the test. Clients need cost effective solutions, and architects are challenged to design resourceful, creative spaces that are both cost- and energy-efficient, without sacrificing the ultimate aesthetics of the built environment. Architects balance the realities of operating their businesses with the constraints, needs and hopes of their clients. The challenge lies in the fact that good design requires attention to both.

This year, the high number of awards entries (thirty-three) proves that architects in Northern Colorado are as resolute as ever to deliver exceptional designs that meet all budgets. Also, the high number of awards given this year (eight) is a solid indication of excellent quality of work achieved by our member firms.

The American Institute of Architects (AIA) encourages its members, through highly specialized and diversified continuing education programs, to always be on the cusp of the latest technological innovations. Driven by their passion for architecture, motivated by true fellowship amongst its members and held to the highest professional ethics, AIA Colorado North architects consistently push themselves beyond their apparent limits to deliver the most value to their clients through efficient and inspiring design solutions.

Times may be tough, but the quality of the projects published here clearly point out that the expertise and dedication of these professionals will play an indispensable role in improving our communities and helping to turn this economic downturn around.

Join me in congratulating this year's AIA Colorado North Design Awards winners, as well as all of the entrants, and in thanking the Northern Colorado and Boulder County Business Reports for their generous assistance in making this publication possible.



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**2010 Design Awards Entries**



**Soapstone Natural Area**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **Aller Lingle Massey Architects P.C.**  
(Fort Collins, Colo.)  
Project Location: **Larimer County, Colo.**  
Size of Building: **2,840 s.f.**  
Size of Site: **19,000 acres**  
Cost: **\$525,000**  
Photographer: **John Robledo Foto**



**Windsor Town Hall**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **JCL Architecture**  
(Fort Collins, Colo.)  
Project Location: **Windsor, Colo.**  
Size of Building: **29,524 s.f.**  
Size of Site: **38,300 s.f.**  
Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
Photographer: **JCL Architecture**



**Denver Health Park Hill Family Health Center**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **Boulder Associates**  
(Boulder, Colo.)  
Project Location: **Denver**  
Size of Building: **12,000 s.f.**  
Size of Site: **.8 acres**  
Cost: **\$3.5 million**  
Photographer: **LaCasse Photography**



**Diagnostic Medicine Center, Colorado State University**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **The FWA Group Architects** (Fort Collins, Colo.)  
Project Location: **Fort Collins, Colo.**  
Size of Building: **102,715 s.f.**  
Cost: **\$36.8 million**  
Photographer: **McCory James Photography**



**Indoor Practice Facility**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **Aller Lingle Massey Architects P.C.** (Fort Collins, Colo.) and **Ratio Architects Inc** (Indianapolis)  
Project Location: **Fort Collins, Colo.**  
Size of Building: **66,000 s.f.**  
Size of Site: **2.81 acres**  
Cost: **\$10.7 million**  
Photographer: **John Robledo Foto**



**Severance Middle School**

Category: **Commercial**  
Architect: **RB+B Architects, Inc.** (Fort Collins, Colo.)  
Project Location: **Severance, Colo.**  
Size of Building: **110,600 s.f.**  
Size of Site: **22.7 acres**  
Cost: **\$17.3 million**  
Photographer: **Time Frame Images**

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# Orchard Street House

ARCH11, INC. (BOULDER)

**WINNER**  
HonorAward



**WITH THIS WHOLE-HOUSE INTERIOR REMODEL**, the architects were tasked with designing an authentic, minimalist interior for a not-so-authentic speculative home purchased by their client. The subtle, monochromatic palette throughout the home is contrasted by a two-story red glass stair enclosure. The stair enclosure acts as a formalistic sculpture in the space, while providing an experience that plays with your sense of color as you pass up or down the stairs.

Walls were removed to facilitate overlapping spaces and to provide connection to the north and south yards throughout the public spaces in the home. An inside corner of glass meeting glass visually connects the entry to the backyard.

A play of tone and texture, rather than color, delineates the surface treatments. Walls are white throughout the home, whether made of plaster, glass or casework. The polished concrete floor surface transforms to become the fireplace wall. The material remains the same; only the surface texture and tone change. The formal, overlapping horizontal planes establish a design language for stairs, hearth, kitchen and breakfast room table.



Project Location: Boulder, Colo.

Category: Interiors

Size of Building: 5,668 square feet

Cost: Withheld at owner's request

Owner/Developer: Anonymous

General Contractor: Ellsworth Builders, Inc.

Photographer: Raul J. Garcia | Photography Architectural

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Academic Training Center

Category: **Commercial**  
 Architect: **Aller Lingle Massey Architects P.C. (Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Fort Collins, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **17,100 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **1.6 acres**  
 Cost: **\$5.8 million**  
 Photographer: **John Robledo Foto**



Mitchell Block

Category: **Commercial**  
 Architect: **The Neenan Company (Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Fort Collins, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **43,500 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **10,000 s.f.**  
 Cost: **\$11.3 million**  
 Photographer: **O'Hara Photo**



YMCA of the Rockies

Category: **Commercial**  
 Architect: **The Neenan Company (Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Estes Park, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **171,655 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **15 acres**  
 Cost: **\$31.7 million**  
 Photographer: **LaCasse Photography**



Syncline House Stair

Category: **Architectural Detail**  
 Architect: **Arch11, Inc. (Boulder, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Boulder, Colo.**  
 Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
 Photographer: **Raul J. Garcia | Photography Architectural**

# Alpine House

**ARCH11, INC. (BOULDER)**

**WINNER**  
**MeritAward**



**THIS IS A NEW, SINGLE-FAMILY** residence on a site overlooking Boulder and the Flatirons. The arts-oriented clients requested an art studio, a library and a dedicated music room, in addition to a first-floor master suite connected directly to the outdoors. The project required protection from the strong west winds without compromising the expansive views to the south and southwest.

The architects were challenged to determine a bounded series of gardens for this infill suburban lot with privileged views. They allowed four gardens to anchor the ends of two spatial transepts. These gardens align a visual axis through the design and are defined as volumes of light linking inside and out – blurring the distinction between inside and out.

The house base is a 24" band of glazing upon which the main floor floats. The glazing provides daylight to spaces below the garden level. A steel frame with structural insulated infill panels provides open spans, allowing the garden views to be framed by the planes of wall, floor and ceiling.

The home has many sustainable features. It is heated and cooled with a thermal solar system. A lap pool serves as a heat dump for the this system during the summer (swimming) season. With an insulated cover, the mass of the pool serves as storage for the in-floor radiant heating during the winter season. Domestic hot water is also provided by thermal solar system. Cooling is achieved through a natural convection and a multi-stage evaporative system. Electrical use is offset through a photovoltaic system.



Project Location: **Boulder, Colo.**

Category: **Unbuilt**

Size of Building: **3,950 square feet**

Size of Site: **0.3 acres**

Cost: **\$1.1 million**

Owner/Developer: **Anonymous**

Photographer: **Renderings courtesy of Arch11, Inc.**

# Syncline House

ARCH11, INC. (BOULDER)

**WINNER**  
Merit Award



**THIS PROJECT IS A NEW, SINGLE-FAMILY** residence on a site facing City of Boulder open space and the front range of Colorado. The client requirements included three bedrooms, three bathrooms and a study. The client also required that the home have a net-zero energy use and achieve LEED certification. Above all, the client desired an experiential connection to both the immediate and distant surroundings.

Located at the westernmost edge of Boulder, Colo., adjacent to Boulder Mountain Parks, the site reveals a distinction between the Great Plains and the Rocky Mountain Foothills. The project faced restrictive land use codes, including a wetland buffer, height restrictions, a solar access restriction, multiple setback and easement boundaries, and complicated siting and building on a difficult, wedge-shaped parcel of land.

The architect was charged with connecting the house to the city and the feral landscape of the adjacent mountain park. This was achieved by conceptualizing the house as an articulated threshold that allows one to transition from city life to engagement with the natural landscape. The procession through the home presents foreground and background experiences of the site and context, intimate and expansive, culminating in a revelation and full embrace of the mountain park and the natural beauty of the syncline formation. The project received LEED for Homes Gold Certification.



Project Location: Boulder, Colo.

Category: Residential: Large

Size of Building: 4,795 square feet

Size of Site: 0.3 acres

Cost: Withheld at owner's request

Owner/Developer: Andrew and Shelley Dunbar

Structural Engineer: Studio NYL

Electric Engineer: Element Lighting Design

General Contractor: Hammerwell, Inc.

Energy Modeler: PC Engineering

Landscape Architect: K. Dakin Design Inc.

Photographer: Raul J. Garcia | Photography Architectural

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# Fractured Residence

STUDIO H:T (BOULDER)

**WINNER**  
MeritAward



**THE HOME SITS ON A SITE WITH SPLAYED**

property lines. The project creates spatial experience from the fracture implied by splayed property lines. The resulting volumetric fissure of the building mass organizes the horizontal circulation and creates the space of the stair cavern. The fracture also serves as a connector between the two entries of the long, narrow dwelling, thus remediating the challenging circulation issues of a building from street to street with a sectional shift of almost 40'. The unique spatial experience is punctuated by, and allows for, highly varied apprehension of form, light and shadow.

The unique site spans the edge of a bluff. The long, narrow lot contains 39' elevation drop from alpine street to mesa street. The residence bridges this condition and becomes the stitching of two shifted planes. The project uses solid north-south planes to create privacy and transparent east-west planes that extend the interior space. This extension takes the form of covered courtyards to the north and deck to the south.

Project Location: Boulder, Colo.

Category: Residential: Large

Size of Building: 4,205 square feet

Size of Site: .19 acres

Cost: Withheld at owner's request

Owner/Developer: Cornerstone Homes INC.

Structural Engineer: John Arthur Consulting

Photographer: Raul J. Garcia | Photography Architectural

**Local Firm - National Reach.**

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Weldon Valley School

Category: Interiors  
 Architect: The Neenan Company (Fort Collins, Colo.)  
 Project Location: Weldon, Colo.  
 Size of Building: 3,400 s.f.  
 Size of Site: 12,000 s.f.  
 Cost: \$2.1 million  
 Photographer: The Neenan Company/David Kingham



Rosenthal Friedlander Residence

Category: Residential: Large  
 Architect: HMH Architecture & Interiors (Boulder, Colo.)  
 Project Location: Boulder, Colo.  
 Size of Building: 4,260 s.f.  
 Size of Site: .5 acres  
 Cost: Withheld at owner's request  
 Photographer: Ron Forth Architectural Photography



Edge House

Category: Residential: Large  
 Architect: Rodwin Architecture (Boulder, Colo.)  
 Project Location: Boulder, Colo.  
 Size of Building: 5,200 s.f.  
 Size of Site: 6,000 s.f.  
 Cost: Withheld at owner's request  
 Photographer: J. Curtis Office



Mitchell - Nelson Residence

Category: Residential: Large  
 Architect: JCL Architecture (Fort Collins, Colo.)  
 Project Location: Windsor, Colo.  
 Size of Building: 4,366 s.f.  
 Size of Site: 22,146 s.f.  
 Cost: Withheld at owner's request  
 Photographer: Tim O'Hara Photography

# Walnut Loft

ARCH11, INC. (BOULDER)

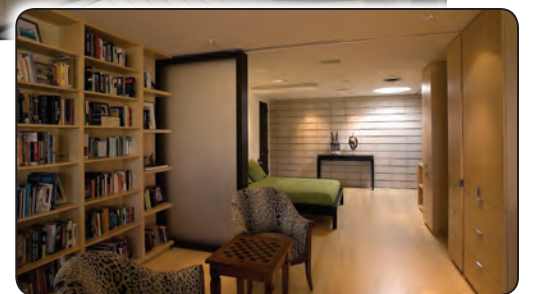
**WINNER**  
 Citation Award



**THIS IS AN INTERIOR BUILD-OUT** of a penthouse loft space. The clients required two bedrooms, three bathrooms, and library and office space to house significant collections of books and other items. The clients desired a flexible layout with strong connections to the surrounding environs. The penthouse has 180 degree panoramic views of the front range mountains and historic downtown Boulder, inspiring the design vision for the project.

A series of "infrastructural cabinets" negotiate the clients' requirements and define separations of space, leaving the vast exterior walls filled with light and connected to the views that wrap around the exterior patio. A series of flexible storage spaces and wall niches house the book collection, conceal computer hardware and display rare African artifacts. Throughout the space, a ground and polished concrete floor, embedded with small chips of mirrored glass, glints with small refractions of light that embrace the rich Colorado light as the day passes.

The unit's remaining perimeter spaces hold the public living areas, which fold into the outdoor balconies, the vibrancy of the street below and the iconic Flatirons beyond. The windows were replaced with moving wall systems that allow the home to be completely opened to the surrounding deck, creating an extensive indoor/outdoor room that takes advantage of views, climate and the urban context.



Project Location: Boulder, Colo.  
 Category: Interiors  
 Size of Building: 2,810 square feet  
 Cost: \$850,000

Owner/Developer: Claire Campbell  
 Structural Engineer: JVA Associates  
 General Contractor: Wyatt Construction Company, Inc.  
 Photographer: Thorney Lieberman Photography



# Eisenhower George and Julia Argyros Health Center

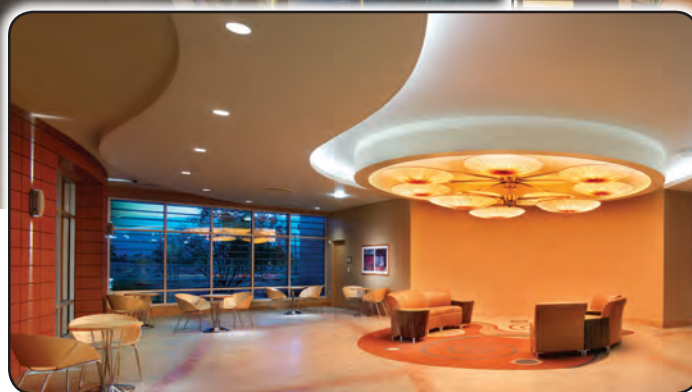
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**WINNER**  
Citation Award



### THE EISENHOWER GEORGE AND JULIA ARGYROS

Health Center is the first building in a new campus that will expand ambulatory care into the local community. Located prominently on a hill, it sets the tone for future site additions as a beacon of quality healthcare for the surrounding neighborhoods.



Featuring a unique tensile fabric canopy over its main entry, this contemporary building draws on local architecture, using terra-cotta tiles, stucco, and metal panels on the exterior. Design considerations for the desert climate include proximity of parking, window shading devices, outdoor shaded seating areas, a portecochère, and appropriate materials and fenestration. High winds, blowing sand, and extreme heat in summer months resulted in minimizing fenestration sizes and providing sun shade systems on all four elevations.

The building houses a multi-specialty medical group, an orthopedic single specialty group, a family practice residency, and imaging center, radiation, oncology, wellness facilities, and urgent care. The design team delivered a facility that reflects, from inside out, the client's commitment to the future of quality healthcare.

Project Location: La Quinta, Calif.

Category: Commercial

Size of Building: 92,000 g.s.f.

Size of Site: 13.5 acres

Cost: \$46.5 million

Owner/Developer:

Eisenhower Medical Center

Structural Engineer:

Miyamoto International Inc.

Electrical Engineer:

JBA Consulting Engineers

Mechanical Engineer:

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General Contractor: WDL Construction

Landscape Architect:

RGA Landscape Architects

Photographer: LaCasse Photography

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**Trappers Camp  
at Promontory**

Category: **Residential: Small**  
 Architect: **DTJ Design  
(Boulder, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Park City, Utah**  
 Size of Building: **2,200 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **32 acres**  
 Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
 Photographer: **Mark Boisclair  
Photography, Inc.**



**Eddy Residence #28**

Category: **Sustainability**  
 Architect: **JCL Architecture  
(Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Loveland, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **3,100 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **.28 acres**  
 Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
 Photographer: **Tim O'Hara  
Photography**



**McMahon Residence**

Category: **Sustainability**  
 Architect: **JCL Architecture  
(Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Fort Collins, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **4,253 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **38,400 s.f.**  
 Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
 Photographer: **Kiva Photography, Inc.**



**55 Pinto Drive**

Category: **Unbuilt**  
 Architect: **HMH Architecture  
& Interiors (Boulder, Colo.)**  
 Project Location: **Boulder, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **2,900 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **2.3 acres**  
 Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**  
 Photographer: **Renderings  
Courtesy of HMH  
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# 303 Canyon

**STUDIO H:T (BOULDER)**

**WINNER**

**Citation Award**



**THE COLLISION OF THE CITY STREET GRID**

with the implied grid of the primary views causes shifting within the mass and animates the interior and exterior volumes. An architectural canyon emerges on the western side of the project, as an analog to the natural canyon, and becomes a spatial and visual event for the owner arrival sequence. Building surfaces undulate and break plane with one another, thus referencing the texture of rock and the natural flaking that characterizes the local granite formations.

Project Location: **Boulder, Colo.**

Category: **Unbuilt**

Size of Building: **4,800 s.f.**

Size of Site: **.83 acres**

Cost: **Withheld at owner's request**

Owner/Developer: **Telemark Homes**

Structural Engineer: **Pendergrast and Associates**

Mechanical Engineer: **Meyers Heating and Air Conditioning**

Photographer: **Renderings courtesy of Studio H:T**

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**Pai Hu**

Category: **Unbuilt**  
 Architect: **DTJ Design, Inc.**  
 (Boulder, Colo.)  
 Project Location: **Xiantao, China**  
 Size of Building: **Varies**  
 Size of Site: **40 acres**  
 Photographer: **Renderings**  
 Courtesy of **DTJ Design, Inc.**



**Fairview Cemetery Maintenance Building**

Category: **Unbuilt**  
 Architect: **McMenamin Design Associates, LLC** (Louisville, Colo.)  
 Project Location: **Brighton, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **1,366 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **6.2 acres**  
 Cost: **\$323,000 (estimated)**  
 Photographer: **Renderings**  
 Courtesy of **McMenamin Design Associates, LLC**



**James Gardener Public Library & Park County Offices**

Category: **Unbuilt**  
 Architect: **Arch11, Inc.**  
 (Boulder, Colo.)  
 Project Location: **Fairplay, Colo.**  
 Size of Building: **17,000 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **2.3 acres**  
 Cost: **TBD (est. \$4 million)**  
 Photographer: **Arch11, Inc.**



**Volume + Light House**

Category: **Unbuilt**  
 Architect: **Studio H:T**  
 (Boulder, Colo.)  
 Project Location: **Denver**  
 Size of Building: **3,293 s.f.**  
 Size of Site: **.22 acres**  
 Photographer: **Renderings**  
 Courtesy of **Studio H:T**

# Learning Cube | Dairy House

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**WINNER**  
**Citation Award**



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Project Location: **Denver** | Category: **Sustainability**  
 Size of Learning Cube: **16'x24'x12'** | Size of Dairy House: **14'x22'x10'**  
 Size of Site: **.22 acres** | Cost: **\$5,480 including donations**  
 Owner/Developer: **Feed Denver** | Structural Engineer: **Studio NYL**  
 Photographer: **Nathan Jenkins Studio**

## 2010 Honor Awards

### ■ 25 Year Award

**Williams Village (Boulder, Colo.) – Hobart D. Wagener, FAIA**  
Recognizes a project completed in the AIA Colorado North area 25 to 35 years ago that has withstood the “test of time” and still functions in its original capacity.

### ■ Community Service by an Architect

**Ian Shuff, AIA – Aller Lingle Massey Architects P.C. (Fort Collins, Colo.)**  
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### ■ Contribution to the Built Environment by Non-Architect

**Morgan Creek Ventures (Boulder, Colo.)**  
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