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***HARRISON DESIGN ASSOCIATES WINS TWO COVETED AWARDS FOR
ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND CRAFTSMANSHIP***

Atlanta, GA - On February 23, 2008, the Southeast Chapter of the Institute of Classical Architecture & Classical America honored Harrison Design Associates with two prestigious 2008 Shutze Awards, the first for architectural design in the category of large commercial/civic/institutional work and the second in the category of craftsmanship.

The Island Design and Architectural Center (IDAC) won top prize in the category of Large Commercial/Civic/Institutional work. This 27,000 square foot office building and designer showroom in St. Simons Island, Georgia showcases residential and hospitality lifestyle products, including high-end furnishings, fixtures, and finishes. The design of the building pays homage to the classical Spanish Mediterranean influences of Addison Mizner, reflecting the context of the coastal surroundings by blending interior and exterior spaces through the use of columned walkways, covered entries and spacious courtyards. Mahogany windows, terra-cotta tiles, wrought iron, carved limestone, clay roof tiles and masonry stucco add a level of warmth to this building that is atypical of other commercial structures in the area.

Recognized in the category of Craftsmanship, Harrison Design Associates' Beaux Arts Estate reflects the earlier era of Atlanta in the 1920s when her foremost families provided their homes with opulent public facades. The exceptional artistry of sculpted limestone walls and trim is especially evident in the 27-foot solid shaft Corinthian columns. The home also features a two-story library with a walnut and iron circular stair inspired by George Vanderbilt's Art Library in Biltmore House in Asheville, North Carolina. The late Jacques Brunet of Paris, former head of the French Iron Workers Guild, created highly detailed wrought iron and bronze open work and handrails throughout the interior and exterior of the home.

Named for revered Atlanta architect Philip Trammell Shutze, the Shutze Awards are bestowed annually by the Southeast Chapter of the Institute of Classical Architecture & Classical America (ICA & CA), a non-profit organization focused on advancing the classical tradition in architecture. "As the fastest growing architectural organization in the country and a virtual Who's Who of architects, we are especially proud to have been recognized by a group of such esteemed colleagues," said Bill Harrison, principal of Harrison Design Associates.

Since its founding in 1991, award-winning Harrison Design Associates has been dedicated to creating high-end custom residences, town homes and specialty commercial projects that are inspired by the best of traditional architecture. From offices in Atlanta and St. Simons Island, Georgia; and Santa Barbara and Beverly Hills, California, the team of over 85 professionals creates an array of distinctive ancestral homes and public buildings through the thoughtful study and application of classical proportions and detailing.