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INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIGHTING DESIGNERS

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## **AKA BEVERLY HILLS RECEIVES IALD AWARD OF MERIT LIGHTING DESIGN BY OCULUS LIGHT STUDIO**

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Sixteen award winners representing architectural lighting design projects from ten countries—representing an increasingly diverse group of award-winning projects for the IALD awards—comprise the winners of the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD) International Lighting Design Awards, recognized at a presentation held 4 June at the Renaissance Las Vegas Hotel in Las Vegas, NV USA. Of the sixteen projects recognized, four entries earned a Special Citation, five earned Awards of Merit and seven earned Awards of Excellence.



Accepting the IALD Award of Merit for **AKA BEVERLY HILLS** were Scott Hatton and Archit Jain, IALD, of Oculus Light Studio.

For the AKA Beverly Hills, the design team was tasked to remodel an existing apartment building into an extended-stay boutique hotel. The lighting brief featured two major challenges. The first was to create a unique visual impression both from the street and from within the hotel. The second was to address compatibility with existing building conditions and city requirements for glare and “visual noise.”

On the façade, high-performance concrete screens, backed by a custom detail of acrylic sheets and dimmable linear LED lighting, provides a moiré effect to passersby. Inside, the design team implemented creative solutions for repurposing existing dimming systems to save cost and achieve city and state energy requirements. The hotel’s 0.74W/sqft lighting power density is well under California’s Title 24 requirement and is a significant reduction from the prior scheme.

“This attractive project demonstrates the power of light to transform architectural space,” one judge praised of the remodel.

The IALD Lighting Design Awards program, established in 1983, honors lighting projects that display high aesthetic achievement backed by technical expertise. Additionally, projects can also be submitted for consideration in the sustainable design award category, which means the project undergoes an additional round of judging keyed solely to the fulfillment of sustainable design principles. A panel of award-winning lighting designers, architects and interior designers review the projects.

*The International Association of Lighting Designers (IALD), established in 1969, is an international organization supporting a network of 800 lighting design professionals who satisfy its rigorous qualification process. Its members are distinguished by a unique blend of aesthetic and technical expertise, and operate at the highest level of integrity to create a better world through leadership and excellence in lighting design; to cultivate the universal acknowledgement and appreciation of the Power of Light in human life.*

**END OF ITEM**

**31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LIGHTING DESIGNERS AWARDS PROJECT  
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