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2015 Construction Awards Gala Recognizes Best of Missouri's Construction Industry

*Features 18th Annual Keystone Awards and
5th Annual Specialty Contractor of the Year Awards*

St. Louis, MO – The [Associated General Contractors \(AGC\) of Missouri](#) announced the winners of its 2015 construction industry awards at its gala event tonight at the River City Casino & Hotel. The Construction Awards Gala featured the 18th Annual Construction Keystone Awards which highlight the creativity and talents of Missouri's construction industry. This year also marks the fifth time the AGC of Missouri has named First Place Specialty Contractors in 12 disciplines along with the coveted Specialty Contractor of the Year.

The 18th Annual Keystone Awards were presented to 12 contractors chosen from a group of 35 finalists covering a broad spectrum of project types including hospitals, educational buildings, treatment plants, energy production facilities, roads and churches. The awards ceremony also honored the owners of the projects in this elite group.

The Construction Keystone Awards are not awarded based upon a project's beauty. Instead, the Keystone Awards recognize a contractor's success in achieving solutions during construction for challenges faced on a project. The awards are a glowing recognition of construction professionals whose skill, teamwork and spirit of innovation make a lasting contribution to a community by building the facilities that support and enhance the quality of life. Safety performance and workforce diversity also are essential components of overall performance.

Keystone Project of the Year winners include: Musick Construction Company for the Restoration of Basilica of St. Louis, King of France (St. Louis, MO); Tarlton Corporation for 700 Market (St. Louis, MO); McCarthy Building Companies, Inc. for Mercy Hospital Joplin (Joplin, MO); Bloomsdale Excavating Co., Inc. for Route 336 Macomb Bypass (Macomb, IL); Goodwin Brothers Construction for Missouri River Wastewater Treatment Plant Secondary Treatment Expansion & Disinfection (Maryland Heights, MO); Golterman & Sabo, Inc. for Jazz at the Bistro (St. Louis, MO);

IWR Building Systems for Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis (St. Louis, MO); Guarantee Electrical Company for Mercy Hospital Joplin (Joplin, MO); icon Mechanical Construction and Engineering for Milam Landfill Gas to High BTU Compressed Natural Gas Plant (Fairmont City, IL); Murphy Company for Bridgeton Landfill (Bridgeton, MO); Tarlton Corporation for Pulitzer Foundation Expansion (St. Louis, MO); and Herzog Contracting Corp. for Port of Los Angeles Berth 200 Rail Yard (Los Angeles, CA). [Click here for project photos and descriptions.](#)

The 2015 Keystone Heritage Award was awarded to the Missouri Botanical Garden. Since its first presentation in 1997, the Heritage Award’s purpose is to recognize a project of significance and ongoing importance that was built prior to the inception of the Keystone Awards. The Garden stands as a shining example of a heritage of significance to our state.

Specialty Contractor Awards

The AGC of Missouri also announced 12 Specialty Contractors who were voted “First Place” in their discipline by the general contractor members of the AGC. The General Contractor members were asked to consider a Specialty Contractor’s timeliness in regard to completion of project(s), ability to stay within budget and their overall experience with the specialty contractor. The 12 First Place Specialty Contractor award winners are: D & S Fencing CO., Inc. (Ancillary Services); Vee-Jay Cement Contracting Co., Inc. (Concrete / Paving); Drilling Service Company (Earthwork & Utilities); Guarantee Electrical Company (Electrical); Spirtas Wrecking Company (Environmental Remediation & Demolition); T. J. Wies Contracting, Inc. (Int. & Ext. Finishes, Openings & Fixtures); icon Mechanical Construction & Engineering (HVAC / Piping); John J. Smith Masonry Company (Masonry); Boyer Fire Protection (Plumbing & Fire Protection); Waterhout Construction, Inc. (Structural & Finish Carpentry); ACME Erectors, Inc. (Structural & Finish Metals); and, Western Waterproofing Co., Inc. (Thermal & Moisture Protection).

The Specialty Contractor receiving the most votes by General Contractors also was presented the Specialty Contractor of the Year award by the AGC of Missouri. This distinction was awarded to Vee-Jay Cement Contracting Co., Inc.

“Now that the AGC is a statewide association it’s really exciting for us to have the opportunity to highlight some of the outstanding projects throughout the U.S. successfully completed by our members while at the same time honoring our specialty contractors for their contributions to the success of a project,” said Leonard Toenjes, CAE, president of the AGC. “More than ever in today’s competitive and challenging construction environment, collaboration is the key to making a successful project happen.”

The Associated General Contractors of Missouri is the united voice of the construction industry, representing nearly 550 commercial, industrial, heavy and highway contractors, industry partners and related firms in 110 counties in Missouri.

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2015 Construction Keystone Award Winners

Mid-America Class

**General Contractor/Construction Manager/Prime Contractor
Building Construction
Project under \$10 million**

Musick Construction Company

Project: Restoration of Basilica of St. Louis, King of France

Owner: Archdiocese of St. Louis

Project Location: St. Louis, MO

**General Contractor/Construction Manager/Prime Contractor
Building Construction
Project \$10-\$40 million**

Tarlton Corporation

Project: 700 Market

Owner: The Koman Group

Project Location: St. Louis, MO

**General Contractor/Construction Manager/Prime Contractor
Building Construction
Project \$40 million or more**

McCarthy Building Companies, Inc.

Project: Mercy Hospital Joplin

Owner: Mercy Health System

Project Location: Joplin, MO

**General Contractor/Construction Manager/Prime Contractor
Industrial / Infrastructure
Project Under \$40 million**

Bloomsdale Excavating Co., Inc.

Project: Route 336 Macomb Bypass

Owner: Illinois Department of Transportation

Project Location: Macomb, IL

**General Contractor/Construction Manager/Prime Contractor
Industrial / Infrastructure
Project \$40 million or more**

Goodwin Brothers Construction

Project: Missouri River Wastewater Treatment Plant
Secondary Treatment Expansion & Disinfection

Owner: Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District

Project Location: Maryland Heights, MO

**Specialty Contractor / Subcontractor
Building Construction
Project Under \$2 million**

Golterman & Sabo, Inc.

Project: Jazz at the Bistro

Owner: Jazz St. Louis

Project Location: St. Louis, MO

**Specialty Contractor / Subcontractor
Building Construction
Project \$2-\$5 million**

IWR Building Systems

Project: Shriners Hospitals for Children – St. Louis

Owner: Shriners Hospitals for Children

Project Location: St. Louis, MO

Specialty Contractor / Subcontractor
Building Construction
Project \$5 million or more

Guarantee Electrical Company

Project: Mercy Joplin Replacement Hospital

Owner: Mercy

Project Location: Joplin, MO

Specialty Contractor / Subcontractor
Industrial/Infrastructure
Project Under \$5 million

icon Mechanical Construction & Engineering

Project: Milam Landfill Gas to High BTU
Compressed Natural Gas Plant

Owner: Waste Management

Project Location: Fairmont City, IL

Specialty Contractor / Subcontractor
Industrial/Infrastructure
Project \$5 million or more

Murphy Company

Project: Bridgeton Landfill

Owner: Republic Services, Inc.

Project Location: Bridgeton, MO

Interior Build-Out

Tarlton Corporation

Project: Pulitzer Arts Foundation Expansion

Owner: Pulitzer Arts Foundation

Project Location: St. Louis, MO

National Class

Herzog Contracting Corp.

Project: Port of Los Angeles Berth 200 Rail Yard

Owner: The Port of Los Angeles

Project Location: Los Angeles, CA

