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## FSPA Design Award winners announced

Sarasota (February 26, 2014) – Numerous swimming pool builders have received awards in the Florida Swimming Pool Association's (FSPA) annual Design Awards contest.

The annual FSPA Design Awards program gives members an opportunity to enter their pools, spas and water features for judging on workmanship, soundness of design, beauty, practicality and safety. Categories customized for Florida pool construction divide the entries by size, type of construction and features.

This year, 24 awards were given out 10 companies. The winners are selected by a Design Awards Committee, which consists of knowledgeable professionals, and are recognized at the annual *Everything Under the Sun*<sup>sm</sup> *Expo* in February.

Best in Show went to Almar / Jackson Pools, Inc. for a project that included a pool, spa and water feature in a multi-level project.

Almar / Jackson Pools, Inc. of Jupiter received several Design Awards. The winning pools were entered for judging by Gerald Waser. One project was entered into multiple categories and won a total of four awards.

- Best in Show
- Technical Achievement for the water feature
- Gold award in the Residential Water Feature category
- Gold award in the Residential Pool/Spa Combination 701+ sq. ft.
- The other winning project received a Silver award in the Residential Vanishing Edge category

AquaTech Pools of GC of North Venice received two awards. The winning pools were entered for judging by Annette Gustin

- Silver award in the Residential Restorations
- Silver award in the Residential Pool/Spa Combination 250 500 sq. ft.

Best Pools of Brevard, Inc. of Melbourne received three awards for one pool which was entered into several categories. The winning pools were entered for judging by Art Lueck.

- Silver award in the Residential Vanishing Edge
- Gold award in the Residential Pool/Spa Combination 701+ sq. ft. category
- Gold award in the Residential Shotcrete / Gunite Pool 701+ sq. ft. category

C.M. Custom Pool Designs of Ormond Beach was also recognized. The winning pools were entered for judging by Coby Moore.

- Award of Merit in the Residential Restorations category
- Silver award in the Residential Vanishing Edge category

Coast to Coast Pools of Sarasota took home two awards. The winning pools were entered for judging by Dustin Pointer

- Silver award in the Residential Shotcrete / Gunite Pool 250 500 sq. ft. category
- Gold Award in the Residential Vanishing Edge category

Cox Pools of Panama City Beach received a Silver Award in the Residential Pool / Spa Combination 701+ sq. ft. category. The winning pool was entered by Jeff Hunt.

Essig Pools of North Miami received six Design Awards. The winning pools were entered by Dan Essig.

- Award of Merit in the Residential Pool / Spa Combination 701+ sq. ft. category
- Award of Merit in the Residential Pool / Spa Combination 250 500 sq. ft. category
- Two bronze awards in the Residential Pool/Spa Combination 501 700 sq. ft.
- Bronze award in the Residential Restorations category
- Gold award in the Residential Spas category

Exquisite Pool & Spa of Deland received a silver award in the Residential Pool / Spa Combination 701+ sq. ft. category. The project was entered by Casey Watson

National Pools of Pasco in Port Richey received a gold award in the Commercial Water Features. The project was entered into the competition by Fred "Corky" Williams.

Swimming Pools by Ike Jr., Inc. received a bronze award in the Residential Shotcrete / Gunite Pool 501 - 700 sq. ft. category. The pool was entered by Erik Eikevik and Robbin Sowinski.

FSPA President John Garner, Sr. said, "The FSPA Design Awards recognizes some of the greatest pools being built in Florida by FSPA members. The excellence and quality seen in these pools are a true testament to the builders."

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The Florida Swimming Pool Association is a trade association for the pool and spa industry in Florida. There are approximately 550 member businesses in 16 Chapters across the state. Members are required to abide by a code of ethics and to be properly licensed and insured. FSPA provides the industry with access to continuing education courses, information on current trends and issues, an arbitration program and government relations representation. FSPA is governed by a Board of Directors.

## **Local Award Winner Contacts:**

Almar/Jackson Pools, Inc.: (561) 746-4910 Aquatech Pools GC, Inc.: (941) 488-3990 Best Pools of Brevard: (321) 242-2003 C.M. Custom Pool Designs: (386) 615-7425

Coast to Coast Pools: (941) 377-5133

Cox Pools: (850) 235-7957 Essig Pools, Inc.: (305) 949-0000 Exquisite Pool & Spa: (386) 216-6822 National Pools of Pasco: (727) 868-5504 Swimming Pools by Ike Jr.: (954) 346-4100

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