

AIA HOMES OF THE YEAR



Tucson Lifestyle Home & Garden, in partnership with the Southern Arizona Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), presents the Homes of the Year. This year's theme, "Growing Beyond Green," emphasizes the role of architects in creating a sustainable and livable environment.

You can see more amazing local residences at this year's AIA Home Tour — which will be held Sunday, Oct. 21 and benefits Habitat for Humanity. The tour is the highlight of Architecture Week 2007, Saturday Oct. 13-Sunday Oct. 21.

For more information about these homes, and for the location of Home Tour ticket outlets, see The Source on page 103.

Meet the Judges

Robert Clements, AIA

Bob is a principal at Line and Space, LLC a design build firm whose recent award-winning private and institutional projects including the San Pedro Riparian Center and the design and construction of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum Restaurant and Gallery Complex. In addition, Bob has a strong construction background as Line and Space often acts as their own general contractor.

John Messina, AIA

John Messina is a research architect at the Southwest Center of the University of Arizona, and a senior lecturer in the School of Architecture at the same institution. He also has a residential scale architectural practice in Tucson and has received two past Tucson Lifestyle Home & Garden design awards.

Frank Mascia, AIA, ACHA, CORA

Frank Mascia is a principal architect at CDG Architects, Ltd. He has 37 years experience with residential projects in Tucson. Mr. Mascia's residential work has been featured in *Tucson Lifestyle Home & Garden*, Phoenix Home and Garden, in Cheap House Good House and on HGTV's Out of the Box.

Metallic Marvel

ROB PAULUS ARCHITECTS/ROB PAULUS, AIA, ELIZABETH FARKAS, PROJECT MANAGER



This project comprised 12 modern apartments, with two distinct sizes of units: one-bedroom, one-story; and two-bedroom, two-story versions. The result is a metal-clad wedge with the center chopped out, creating both private and shared outdoor courtyards in the negative space between. The site terminates at a communal laundry room and barbecue area, complete with a 2100-watt solar panel array overhead. The design emphasizes a pared-down aesthetic. Exposed concrete floors, industrial light fixtures,

dramatic ceilings and large window openings create loftstyle living spaces. Interior openings allow slivers of light and snapshot views as walls slide past each other.

Steel elements such as the trellises, balconies and stairs provide additional detailing, and features like wood doors and accent colors in paint and tile provide warmth. Each unit is equipped with high-efficiency insulation to increase interior thermal comfort, and also generous patio space for enjoying the outdoors. **HG**

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