

2022 Design Report

*Senior Living By Design Award
Honorees & Nominees*





National leaders in senior living community
design that spans all levels of the continuum.

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Award Winning Designs

Underscore Sense of Community, Connections to Nature

Maybe it's the recent focus on outdoor gatherings, but the 2022 Senior Living by Design Award Winners love nature. The designs carefully and thoughtfully position the buildings to capture the best views, from nearby horse farms to adjoining woods. Downtown vistas are best seen from rooftop decks.

Topography matters too. These award-winning projects leverage the forms and features of land surfaces to their advantage. Communities are built into the contours of a hill and wrapped into tight urban spaces. An accessible pocket park adds a neighborhood touch.

Courtyards are popular this year. Surrounded by the building, the space offers a protected gathering space. Comfortable seating and fire pits invite residents to linger. Outdoor heat lamps keep everyone warm.

Apartments overlook the courtyards. Dining venues open to the patios, providing an outdoor mealtime option.

The outside is brought inside. Walls of floor-to-ceiling windows shower common areas with natural light. Dramatic two-story windows frame lobbies and interior stone colonnades. Modern, yet homey apartments have large windows, too. Residents want that personal connection with nature.

Gone are single mass buildings. Eclectic facades combine different blocks and a variety of materials. A sense of arrival is key. Dramatic multi-story entryways welcome residents and their visitors.

Common areas feature an open concept. Spaces flow easily into each other. Small, cozy spaces are strategically placed.

Interiors are modern yet warm. Soothing earth tones are making a comeback but in subtle hues of tan and coral. The furniture is streamlined. Upholstery fabrics favor patterns in understated greens and blues, or waves of colors from the light spectrum. Occasional pops of dusty red or deep blue provide a visual accent.

Light fixtures have a contemporary style with angular and circular designs. Old-fashioned brick fireplaces are out. Linear gas fireplaces with stone, steel or concrete surrounds are in.

Artwork is local. Designers have made an effort to find popular area artists and display their work in common areas. Residents feel connected to the community.

Each award-winning design this year shares a sense of connection and community. The thoughtful use of space brings people together. Residents feel the connection to the natural world and each other, building a deep appreciation for life and a sense that they belong.

The Seneca of Rockville

Bringing residents and family members closer to nature inspired the design for the Seneca of Rockville. Located near Washington, D.C., the Seneca offers 87 assisted living and 30 memory care units. The Bridge program is available for those who aren't quite ready for memory care but need support that goes beyond traditional assisted living.

To reflect the outdoors and natural beauty of the area, the community's design incorporates biophilic elements. A "tree" sculpture in the main lobby, for example, reflects the natural surroundings and echoes the wooded landscape seen from the floor-to-ceiling windows.

"The Seneca is a place of balance, harmony and peace between outdoor and indoor living," said Luann Thoma-Holec, principal owner, Thoma-Holec Design.

The interior design sets the backdrop for a calm and serene experience. Colors and materials found in nature have been carefully curated to create an interior environment that brings the outdoors indoors. Warm, rich woods and pops of jewel tones heighten the connection to nature while adding visual interest. Floor-to-ceiling windows in the common areas open the outside world to residents.

The art, furniture, finishes and surrounding nature help to captivate the resident's interest. The environment is not only welcoming to residents but also to visiting families.

The unique L-shaped building design includes a robust garden and patio with landscaped verandas, generous outdoor seating, and an expansive courtyard – perfect for outdoor dining and gathering.

The building also offers advanced safety features such as enhanced HVAC systems, upgraded air filtration, and touchless technology. The Seneca has LEED Silver certification for green building practices.

The building's layout contributes to the community's vibrant culture. Amenity spaces are primarily located on the first floor, designed to be a hub for residents to congregate and socialize. Designed with accessibility in mind, residents can easily move from the fitness center to the game room and then over to the lounge to meet with friends.

In a shift away from large common areas, the design focused on creating smaller areas for dining or gathering. This gave residents the benefit of having more privacy and intimate settings for meeting with family and friends.

The idea to create smaller rooms came about during the peak of the pandemic when social distancing was essential. But the design also offers more versatility and flexibility. The smaller dining areas also helped to facilitate an all-day dining model.

The person-centered approach of the operator, Watermark, drove many of the design decisions. Open staff areas on each floor as well as the smaller areas for dining and centralized amenities enable functionality and empower organic human connections.

Residences at the Seneca feature open floor plans and spacious bathrooms. Oversized windows fill the apartments with natural light and provide unobstructed views of the sculpture gardens and sunsets.

Senior Living by Design judge Tod Petty commented, "The strategic vision and goals were successfully maintained to create a comfortable, functional space. The aesthetics were beautifully implemented through texture, color and natural materials."

Location: Rockville, Md.

Provider: Watermark Retirement Communities/Silverstone Senior Living

Architect: Perkins Eastman

Interior Design: Thoma-Holec Design

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FIREPLACE.**



The Seneca of Rockville



Smaller dining areas offer more flexibility for family members when visiting The Seneca of Rockville.



Sunrise of Fairfax

Centrally Located in northern Virginia, Sunrise of Fairfax presented a complicated design challenge. The goal was to double the size of the community to serve more seniors without expanding the footprint of the original Sunrise building that stood on the site. The development, design and architecture teams worked creatively to expand the community from 53 to 83 units, including the addition of an entire portion of the new building dedicated to memory care.

Sunrise of Fairfax presented another design challenge. The community shares its site, including a commercial kitchen, with Merritt Academy, a private general education school, plus two tree reserves and immediate access to Mantua Park.

"Throughout the development and construction, the project team addressed this challenge by working collaboratively with both local leaders and the school leaders," said Tina Ruiz-Ellen, director of design at Sunrise Senior Living. She added that sharing the site with a school provides a tremendous opportunity for residents and students to engage in intergenerational activities.

Navigating the pandemic presented another challenge. "We were able to stay on track while following all local and regional COVID-safety guidance to ensure a safe worksite," said Ruiz-Ellen. The project was delivered on time.

The design was inspired by Arts and Crafts style homes. The formal entry to the building is similar to that of a resident's home and serves as the building block mass. Attached sub-blocks project to the side and rear and include porches, bays, and towers.

The interiors echo the exterior architecture with simple though thoughtfully curated spaces in the Arts and Crafts style. Small spaces feature custom white painted woodwork and natural materials such as stacked stone, brick, decorative wood beams and a collection of fireplaces throughout.

Layers of finish materials and textures, including custom carpet and wall coverings, repeat the Arts and Crafts theme. Clean-line furniture is accented with fabrics in rich colors and bold patterns. Carefully selected accessories and local artwork add warmth to highlight the residential setting. The apartments feature large windows to provide an abundance of natural light and pleasant views.

The expanded common areas are positioned for maximum use by residents. Dining venues are spacious. A wellness suite features physical therapy and private exam rooms. A unique intergenerational activity room is available for residents to engage with Merritt Academy students. Corridor pods are situated in strategic spots for small gatherings.

The design incorporates cost saving green building measures. These included energy-efficient light fixtures, operable windows, efficient heating and cooling systems, and maximized insulation for the walls and roof.

Outdoor spaces are beautifully landscaped. An interior courtyard gently undulates through the property, providing a secure place with comfortable seating to enjoy the sunshine and fresh air.

The design team took another innovative step by adopting Fitwel strategies that aim to create healthy buildings. For example, the entryway and ground floor include systems to capture particulates to improve air quality along with appropriate lighting to ensure pedestrian safety.

Location: Fairfax, Va.

Provider: Sunrise Senior Living

Architect: Rust Orling Architects

Interior Design: Sunrise Senior Living, Design Department

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Sunrise of Fairfax



Architectural forms and heights at Sunrise of Fairfax include a facade that incorporates elements of the Arts and Crafts design style.



Village Park Milton

Imagine a pocket park. Imagine a cluster of single-family cottages and bungalows surrounding the park. Then imagine the homes as part of a new, forward-looking senior living community with connections to a nearby equestrian park and an active, local town center.

Those images only begin to describe the Village Park Milton, a rental senior living community in Alpharetta, Ga. Spanning over seven acres, Village Park Milton includes 50 independent living units, 48 assisted living units, and 20 memory care units along with the single-family dwellings.

Accessible to all residents, the pocket park, features walking paths, lush landscaping and a rustic pavilion to host wellness activities such as lawn yoga and social gatherings including mini concerts.

The pocket park was intentionally designed to maximize its adjacency to the equestrian park, according to Eric Krull, executive vice president at THW Design. "Residents can see the riders and hear the horses," he said. "We drew inspiration from the farmhouse vernacular of the area."

Community connectivity was achieved by positioning the back of the homes to face the pocket park. Residents can sit on their back porches and watch park activities and talk to their neighbors.

That sense of connectivity is repeated throughout the entire community. The hilly topography drove the central design. The one-story barn-like entry is accessible and welcoming. The building steps down a hill so visitors aren't met with a tall singular structure but a walkable, approachable environment.

The arrival to the community is highlighted by a well-landscaped entry drive with large existing oaks that were carefully preserved during construction.

Common areas are strategically positioned near the front entrance in a free-flowing open plan. Amenities are situated to maximize the views. Dramatic floor-to-ceiling windows throughout the common areas and units allow for an abundance of natural light, bringing the outdoors inside.

The heart of the main building is a courtyard, connecting the thoughtfully situated amenities and the resident apartments. The courtyard includes a covered open-air pool, firepit, and locker rooms. Comfortable seating is placed throughout the courtyard. The outdoor pool design features large stone pillars, providing a dramatic panorama. Many of the residential units overlook the internal courtyard.

Echoing the farmhouse theme, repurposed barn wood from the original horse barn on the property was used throughout, along with natural stone, interesting tile patterns, and custom lighting. Layering textures and the eclectic mix of custom furnishings strike the right balance between the pastoral and the refined look.

The single-family homes, for example, feature modern farmhouse styling with high ceilings, well-appointed kitchens and baths, large closets, private garages, and fireplaces.

Village Park Milton offers a variety of dining options: a coffee bar, bistro, and formal dining venue with an enclosed terrace. Common areas accommodate various activities and include a well-appointed and dramatic movie theater, an art room, salon, library, fitness and rehabilitation center, great hall, and family lounge.

A Senior Living by Design judge noted, overall, that the attractive architecture and interior design complements a thoughtful layout that shows a true connection to the outdoors.

Location: Alpharetta, Ga.

Provider: Village Park

Architect: THW Design

Interior Design: THW Design

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Village Park Milton



Designed to maximize the views, varied opportunities for dining, entertainment, and activities abound at Village Park Milton.



The Vista at Christian Health

The best designs create a sense of arrival. That special feeling someone gets when they first reach their destination sets the tone for the entire experience.

The Vista at Christian Health creates a sense of arrival naturally. The long winding entrance to the 400,000-square-foot independent living complex inspires a first impression of serenity with views of hills and trees in a quiet, yet suburban, neighborhood of northern New Jersey.

The new three-story complex completes the continuum of care community on a 78-acre campus. The Vista includes 164 independent living apartments, a large common and the latest wellness-focused amenities enjoyed by today's older adults.

Built into the side of a hill, the Vista is surrounded by 10 acres of untouched, woods with striking views of the Ramapo Mountains. The original exterior design, developed a number of years ago, is a craftsman style. The rustic exterior makes generous use of stone and wood to complement the natural surroundings. The style recalls the area's historic homes with lodge-type touches, such as wooden beams.

Merlino Design Partnership (MDP) handled the interior design. "Our challenge was to complement the original exterior design with stone and wood accents but in a more refined way," said Bruce Hurowitz, principal at MDP.

The sense of arrival carries over to the building commons. Residents and visitors enter a large two-story grand hall with a stone colonnade. Modern sconces dot the columns with a soft glow. Oversized windows at the end of the colonnade flood the area with natural light. The grand hall links to a performing arts center, several dining venues, and a wellness center.

The interiors showcase a warm neutral palette. A combination of wood tones, stonework, ironwork, and glass provide rich textures with refined architectural detailing. A coffered ceiling with a modern thatched design punctuates the gathering space near the dining venues. The Waterstone fine dining venue features panoramic views of the site and an exterior water feature.

Senior Living by Design judge Todd Hudgins, senior vice president at Erdman, applauded the "rustic, fantastic design."

Wellness and fitness amenities are positioned near the entrance to showcase the lifestyle. "Fitness is celebrated," Hurowitz said. "Residents are living an energized life."

The state-of-the-art spa and wellness center includes a gym with cardio, weight, and resistance training equipment, a yoga studio, and an indoor pool with a sauna, hot tub, and spa facilities. Metal arches frame the entrance of the aquatic center. The pattern is repeated with wood arches that cross the ceiling of the pool area. The wellness areas are infused with pops of vibrant color to emphasize activity and energy.

Paved walking trails, gardens, and streams spread across the grounds. An outdoor terrace includes a fountain, grill, picnic area, and café tables for alfresco dining, expanded to allow for social distancing.

Balconies and private outdoor space are included in each unit, providing beautiful views from every angle so residents feel, and know, that they have arrived.

Location: Wyckoff, N.J.

Provider: Christian Health

Architect: LAN Associates

Interior Design: Merlino Design Partnership

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The Vista at Christian Health



Wood tones, stonework, ironwork, and glass provide rich textures presented with refined architectural detailing at The Vista at Christian Health.



Vista West

Situated within an urban redevelopment site on the growing west side of Madison, Wis., Vista West was purposefully designed with a mixed-use concept in mind. The architectural detailing serves as a transition between adjacent commercial properties and neighboring condominiums and single-family homes.

The five-story building features 174 apartments, composed of independent and assisted living, and memory care units.

The cornerstone of the community's mixed-use theme is the first-floor commons punctuated by a dramatic entry sequence. A contemporary awning offers a retail appeal while the fitness center occupies a storefront position on the first floor to reinforce the mixed-use aesthetic of the larger master-planned development.

The mixed-use feel is reinforced on the exterior with a palette of fiber cement panels in whites and grays accented with wood details.

"Visitors and residents get a sense of street level activity," said Eric Harrmann, chief design officer, AG Architecture.

Dovetailing on the mixed-use theme and integration with the wider community, Vista West is developing a partnership with a community education center located across the street.

The interior design palette and furniture selections create a hospitality-inspired environment evoking a Northwoods lodge. Rich wood tones, mixed metals, stone, and tile elements are accented with plaids and a mix of blues and greens.

The building wraps around the tight site to create a private courtyard. The courtyard offers desirable views for the apartments facing that side of the building. The courtyard also offers comfortable seating areas and gathering spaces.

The pandemic inspired the rethinking of the outdoor spaces. "We were able to pause and evaluate our design decisions," said Harrmann. As a result, more covered and heated spaces were added. Residents can flow from the dining areas or multipurpose rooms to the outside areas even in cooler weather.

The outdoor area includes seating for dining and a fire pit. Outdoor kitchens and a pergola overlook sculptural fountains. Raised planting beds are available for residents along with walkways through the garden.

The design takes advantage of the views of the Wisconsin State Capitol, a landmark in Madison. The Vista Lounge on the top floor features an indoor gathering space with a service island, tables and chairs, television, and fireplace. A partially covered outdoor terrace offers comfortable seating.

Vista West also offers a memory care household with access to an enclosed courtyard and views of the community's other outdoor gathering spaces.

A unique feature of the building is the ability of independent living residents to receive assisted living services in their apartments, allowed by a special license. Anticipating a mix of resident needs, enhanced socialization spaces were included on each floor.

The design also takes into account the staffing challenge to deliver assisted living services throughout the building. The project is designed so that the staff is no more than one turn away from the resident's room.

"Residents can age in place and receive the services they need without having to move," said Harrmann.

Location: Madison, Wis.

Provider: Capri Communities

Architect: AG Architecture

Interior Design: Direct Supply
Aptura

**ROOFTOP DECK,
CAPITAL IDEA:
AN URBAN SETTING
OFFERS A DRAMATIC
VIEW OF THE
WISCONSIN STATE
CAPITOL, A LOCAL
LANDMARK.**



Vista West



At Vista West, a palette of whites and grays accented with wood details complement modern structures that define the site.



2022 SENIOR LIVING BY DESIGN NOMINEES

AEGIS LIVING BELLEVUE OVERLAKE, Bellevue, Ore. **Provider:** Aegis Living. **Architect:** Ankrom Moisan. **Interior Design:** Ankrom Moisan. Plentiful access to daylight, views, and nature make spaces feel expansive and welcoming, while being intimate and comfortable. Biophilic design touches are incorporated throughout to bring nature into the interiors with a stunning jewel box solarium as the centerpiece of this community. Biophilia is emphasized the moment visitors first approach the community and a two-story glass conservatory, with floor to ceiling glazing, allows the maximum amount of light into the space and offers exceptional views of the landscape.

ALLEGRO HARRINGTON PARK, Harrington Park, N.J. **Provider:** Allegro Senior Living. **Architect:** Meyer Design. **Interior Design:** RDG Planning & Design. Ample natural light and strong indoor/outdoor connections with 360-degree vistas and curated artwork offer a resort-like atmosphere that feels intimate and inviting. Visibility between spaces promotes socialization and connection to the environment, while openness encourages room usage and activity, creating vibrant energy within the community.

AMARAN SENIOR LIVING, Albuquerque, N.M. **Provider:** Insight Senior Living. **Architect:** Dekker/Perich/Sabatini. **Interior Design:** Dekker/Perich/Sabatini. The first long-term care community in the country built on a pre-existing Montessori campus, Amaran was designed specifically with Dr. Montessori's seven key principles in mind: personal dignity, movement and cognition, choice, interest, intrinsic reward, hands on learning, and order in the environment. The resident directed environment offers opportunities of choice, lifelong learning, spiritual expression, and physical and mental fitness.

ARBOR TERRACE EXTON, Exton, Pa. **Provider:** The Arbor Company/Capitol Seniors Housing. **Architect:** Meyer Senior Living Studio. Please describe the goals and/or objectives at the heart of this design. Built with the surrounding community as an inspiration, the richness of Chester County is visible in the detailing, architecture, and design. Farmhouse inspiration with a modern spin incorporates the use of stone and stucco on the exterior of the building, with interior touches that include archways and molding.

ASHBY PONDS, Ashburn, Va. **Provider:** Erickson Senior Living. **Architect:** Moseley Architects. Providing the hub for a final neighborhood of independent living buildings, the new Blue Ridge Clubhouse building physically completes a master planned central campus green. It stands opposite across from the existing neighborhood two clubhouses, which have performing and visual arts as their theme, and houses three separate dining venues that pinwheel around a central kitchen and loading dock.

ATRIA NEW CITY, New City, N.Y. **Provider:** Atria Senior Living/Capitol Seniors Housing. **Architect:** Meyer Senior Living Studio. The three-story, 70,000-square-foot assisted living and memory care community with 80 residential apartments was designed as a modern, non-traditional senior living community with natural elements of wood and stone on the exterior. With the Hudson River Valley as inspiration, the community's interiors incorporate fresh, inviting tones of blues, greens, and oranges. The lobby features a high ceiling and signature staircase that open to a vast array of amenities and areas for activities and socialization.

BRIGHTVIEW COLUMBIA, Columbia, Md. **Provider:** Brightview Senior Living. **Architect:** Hord Coplan Macht. **Interior Design:** Aumen Asner. Easy resident access to the outdoors and substantial outdoor amenities were key to the design and incorporate direct access to elaborate gardens from both the first, second, and third floors. The building's footprint wraps around the first and second floor gardens and a stone retaining wall transitions between them, with memory care on the third floor having a large secure garden of its own.

FLEET LANDING, Atlantic Beach, Fla. **Provider:** Fleet Landing. **Architect:** AG Architecture. **Interior Design:** Studio 121. Main Street, a new 12,000-sq.ft. commons building, is a culinary experience that provides a centrally located dining hub for the entire campus. It offers multiple branded dining venues and a true hospitality approach to the senior living dining experience. Phased new construction, additions and renovations were all intended to maintain equal access to desirable amenities and a consistent high-level aesthetic.

MIRABELLE, Miami, Fla. **Provider:** The Arbor Company. **Architect:** Sagestone Design. The luxurious high-rise 55+ community was turned into an upscale, engaging, and safe home that provides a full continuum of senior care. One goal of the redesign was to effectively serve assisted living, bridges, and memory care seamlessly, while still providing independent living and offering dignity to residents. As part of the renovation, the assisted living, connected living, and memory care spaces were designated and equipped with monitored entries and exits and the memory care space was specially designed to have a secure environment appropriate for seniors with dementia and memory loss to promote their dignity and safety.

PARKER AT SOMERSET, Somerset, N.J. **Provider:** Parker Life. **Architect:** Spiegle Architectural Group. **Interior Design:** Merlino Design Partnership. The objective was to take a dated complex, located on 10 beautifully wooded acres with peaceful rolling hills, and turn it into a modern robust care center. The result was a 120-bed post-acute rehabilitation and nursing home designed to provide the community with a contemporary, hospitality-inspired short- and long-term care experience. Amenities include a ground floor café, second level therapy suite, spacious gathering areas between resident wings, large private guest suites, and bariatric suites, in addition to adult and child day care.

2022 SENIOR LIVING BY DESIGN NOMINEES *(Continued)*

QUEENSTOWN LANDING, Queenstown, Md. **Provider:** IntegraCare. **Architect:** Moseley Architects. **Interior Design:** Direct Supply Aptura. Situated near the Chesapeake Bay, this one-story, residential scale community's design takes inspiration from the local boating and fishing lifestyle and incorporates a coastal color scheme. The community fosters a connection to the outdoors through an expansive front porch, spacious courtyards, and a walking path, which encircles the property. In addition, the design locates the common service and back of house spaces in the center of the building with memory care wing to one side and assisted living wing to the other side for staff efficiency.

RETREAT AT LADY'S ISLAND, Beaufort, S.C. **Provider:** Phoenix Senior Living. **Architect:** DiGroup Architecture, LLC. **Interior Design:** DiGroup Architecture, LLC. Located in Hamilton Village, a small, quaint commercial mixed-use and residential development area, the community is located on a compact, 2.5 acre, irregularly shaped parcel of land on a 20' high bluff. Design maximized resident room views of a nearby river, enhanced the resident, staff and visitor experience by organizing amenity, public spaces, and circulation to optimize views, and created a unique building plan that is distinct and purposely responsive to the natural site environment, configuration, and context.

SUNRISE AT EAST 56TH, New York, N.Y. **Provider:** Sunrise Senior Living. **Architect:** SLCE Architects. **Interior Design:** Champalimaud Design. A 151-unit development that offers personalized assisted living and memory care, tailored to each resident, Sunrise at 56th is a well-appointed living space that provides enriching activities,

locally sourced dining, and sophisticated design. With studio and two-bedroom residences, stunning city views, inviting outdoor terraces, and gracious communal spaces, the design and layout of the community reflect New York City apartment living.

THE COLONNADES, Charlottesville, Va. **Provider:** Sunrise Senior Living. **Architect:** Page Architecture. Part of the Monogram collection, the primary objective of the renovation design at The Colonnades was to improve the quality of life through added amenities, spaces, and programming. Committed to maintaining a strong Jeffersonian and traditional style, that is distinctive of the area and the building, the design merges modern architecture, patterns, and palettes. Natural light provides a four-season interior experience for the residents and was a goal specifically for the atrium design.

THE TERRACES AT VIA VERDE, San Dimas, Calif. **Provider:** Frontier Management. **Architect:** Irwing Partners Architects. **Interior Design:** Thoma-Holec Design. Modern Spanish design shines through the millwork, ceiling beams, and rich dark wood tones of the space. Blue and green hues soften masculine design elements to create an inviting and comfortable environment for all residents. Designed to give residents an easy-to-navigate community and assist them in maintaining a sense of independence, the square shape of the building's layout allows for a centralized courtyard that is accessible from various points of the build, which makes it easy for residents to meet with friends and take a stroll along the fountain-lined walking paths or enjoy the sensory gardens.

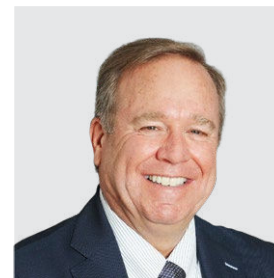
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Note: Judges were recused with regard to any community with which they were affiliated or of which they had knowledge.

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2022 DESIGN TRENDS AND INNOVATIONS

By RJ Smith

Here's a look at some of the trends and innovations reflected in this year's honorees and nominees.

DESIGN THAT REFLECTS THE LOCATION

- Nestled within the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains on 59 acres in Charlottesville, Va., and in close proximity to Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson, The Colonnades (Sunrise Senior Living; Page Architecture) completed a renovation dramatically increased interior common area space while merging modern architecture, patterns and palettes to the design and maintaining strong Jeffersonian and traditional style that is distinctive of the area and the existing building.
- New construction at Queenstown Landing (IntegraCare; Moseley Architects; Direct Supply Aptura) also featured designs that took inspiration from the local area. Situated near the Chesapeake Bay, a coastal color scheme was used to incorporate the local boating and fishing lifestyle.
- A unique site location of wooded hillside property was utilized to provide inspiration and views of the Ramapo Mountains for The Vista at Christian Health (Christian Health; LAN Associates; Merlino Design Partnership).
- The Retreat at Lady's Island (Phoenix Senior Living; Di Group Architecture, LLC) maximized resident room views of a nearby river by creating a unique building plan that was distinct and purposely responsive to the natural site environment, configuration, and context.
- A modern, non-traditional senior living community that incorporates natural elements of wood and stone on the exterior, designs at Atria New City (Atria Senior Living/Capitol Seniors Housing; Meyer Senior Living Studio) were inspired by the Hudson River Valley, and interiors feature fresh, inviting tones of blues, greens, and oranges.

NATURAL LIGHT AND THE GREAT OUTDOORS

- First and second floor corridors at The Terraces at Via Verde (Frontier Management; Irwing Partners Architects; Thoma-Holec Design) were lined with windows that look into the courtyard and provide an abundance of natural light.
- The Colonnades (Sunrise Senior Living; Page Architecture) was also focused on featuring natural light and designed an atrium that provides a four-season interior experience for residents.
- The Seneca of Rockville (Watermark Retirement Communities/Silverstone Senior Living; Perkins Eastman; Thoma-Holec Design) embraced the natural beauty and surroundings of the area by carefully selecting nature-inspired fabrics, finishes, and color palettes to achieve a sense of balance, harmony, and peace between the indoor and outdoor living.

CURATED ARTWORK

- An art walk featuring carefully curated large-scale artwork provides residents of The Terraces at Via Verde (Frontier Management; Irwing Partners Architects; Thoma-Holec Design) with an enhanced experience and complements the modern Spanish design of the community.
- A renovation at Sunrise of Fairfax (Sunrise Senior Living; Rust Orling Architects; Sunrise Senior Living, Design Department), located in Fairfax, Va., features curated original artwork by local artists to reveal the community's original history.
- Allegro Harrington Park (Allegro Senior Living; Meyer Design; RDG Planning & Design) was developed on nine acres between an area reservoir and a nature preserve. Curated artwork was incorporated into interior spaces to offer a resort-like atmosphere that feels intimate and inviting.

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