

## ADAC & VERANDA ANNOUNCE WINNERS OF THE 2024 SOUTHEAST DESIGNERS AND ARCHITECT OF THE YEAR AWARDS

**ATLANTA:** Presented by ADAC (Atlanta Decorative Arts Center), in partnership with American lifestyle magazine VERANDA, the 2024 Southeast Designers and Architect of the Year Awards were announced last night during a gala at the Atlanta History Center. The annual event celebrates firms and individuals from across the Southeast who exemplify the highest caliber and bring forth contemporary ideas innovating the design world. A panel of decorated judges selected winners for the best talent in architecture, contract design, and residential design from a group of 26 skilled finalists spanning the Southeast. Prior to the gala, finalists were recognized Wednesday night at Ernest Gaspard during ADAC's annual spring market, DESIGN ADAC.

The 2024 Southeast Designers and Architect of the Year winners are:

CATEGORY	FIRM
Architect	TS Adams Studio Architects   Atlanta, GA
Contract Design	Tate Casper & Jordan Winston of Oxford Design   Tampa, FL
Residential Design	David Frazier   West Point, GA

"It's thrilling to see such revered and sophisticated designers receive their rightful recognition," said Katie Miner, ADAC General Manager. "Both TS Adams Studio Architects and David Frazier have been nominated as finalists in their respective categories before, Tate Casper & Jordan Winston of Oxford Design is a first-time finalist, and all three firms are first-time winners this year! It's wonderful to witness these impressive individuals and their businesses surpass expectations, shape the design world, and inspire future candidates."



(Left to Right: TS Adams Studio Architects, Tate Casper & Jordan Winston of Oxford Design, and David Frazier)

With more than 100 entries, this year's distinguished finalists and winners were selected by a team of top industry professionals, including *Aimee Buccellato*, Partner of Schafer Buccellato Architects, *Corey Damen Jenkins*, Founder and Principal of Corey Damen Jenkins & Associates, and executive editor of VERANDA *Ellen McGauley*. Remarks from the judges regarding the finalists are below:

"These are designs that struck me as comfortable in their own skin. They let the landscape and materials lead, creating such a beautiful sense of place," expresses Ellen McGauley about TS Adams Studio Architects.

Judge Corey Damen Jenkins describes each space Tate Casper & Jordan Winston of Oxford Design created as "pure, unadulterated eye candy."

"This project is all about light, materiality, and movement; there are curves and edges, but harmony between objects and the work's overall scale. Who knows the condition of the original 'canvas,' but the outcome of this beautiful alteration is peaceful and organized; a graceful intersection of old meeting new," reflects Judge Aimee Buccellato of David Frazier.

Additional photos of project submissions and interviews with the 2024 winners are available upon request.

**ABOUT TS ADAMS STUDIO ARCHITECTS:** TS Adams Studio Architects, founded in 2001 by Timothy S. Adams, AIA, is an Atlanta-based firm that believes architecture is an art form, with each step and decision akin to a brushstroke on a canvas, refined and layered until the design is fully realized. The team's process focuses on executing clients' visions, collaborating with allied professionals, and advocating for clients from concept to completion. Rooted in traditional architecture, the firm embraces emerging technologies and seamlessly integrates each home into its environment. With a commitment to balancing beauty, function, and innovation, their architecture possesses a soulful quality and a quiet permanence.

**ABOUT TATE CASPER & JORDAN WINSTON OF OXFORD DESIGN:** Oxford Design is a full-service interior design firm based in Tampa, Florida, led by Tate Casper and Jordan Winston. Casper and Winston, who share over 20 years of design experience, work with clients nationwide to create layered and welcoming environments by mixing contemporary art, classic silhouettes, and clever detailing. Travel is one of the greatest sources of inspiration for Casper and Winston, who inject nuanced narratives and a dynamic worldview into each of their projects, resulting in curated and timeless spaces. Casper and Winston have worked on residential and commercial projects, ranging from Michelin-star restaurants to social clubs.

**ABOUT DAVID FRAZIER:** David Frazier is an architectural and interior designer with a design aesthetic formed in his beloved South. With a discerning eye for detail and a firm belief in the importance of place-based architecture, Frazier creates interiors that reflect his clients and their lifestyles. His work, including his Kips Bay Palm Beach 2023 showhouse space, has been featured by Architectural Digest, VERANDA, Town & Country, Milieu, House Beautiful, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Frederic, Luxe, Rue, Domino, and Atlanta Homes & Lifestyles, among others. Frazier was also named to Frederic magazine's inaugural "It List" in 2023.

**ABOUT ADAC:** Built more than 60 years ago by renowned architect and developer John Portman in the prestigious Buckhead community of Atlanta, ADAC (Atlanta Decorative Arts Center) is a community-focused, nationally recognized leader in the world of interior design and home fashion, serving as the essential one-stop shopping resource for interior designers, architects, and builders. In November 2018, ADAC was acquired by ANDMORE<sup>SM</sup> and parent company Blackstone, the world's largest operator of premier showroom space for the furnishings, home décor and gift industries. The ADAC campus consists of ADAC and ADAC WEST with more than 550,000 square feet with over 25 design offices and more than 65 showrooms offering over 1,300 of the industry's finest product lines, including furniture, fabric, rugs, lighting, accessories, floor and wall coverings, antiques, fine art and framing, kitchens, bath, tile, and stone, and home theater products. Likewise, ADAC's extensive services include custom designs such as framing, electronic systems, faux finishing, and draperies. To learn more, visit <u>www.adacatlanta.com</u>. Follow along on <u>Facebook</u>, X, and <u>Instagram</u>.

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