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Top 10 Green Projects Say “Happy Earth Day!” Architects Select Best Examples of Environmentally Responsible Design

In recognition of Earth Day 2001 (April 22), The AIA and its Committee on the Environment (COTE) have selected 10 examples of built design solutions that protect and enhance the environment. The winning projects will be unveiled April 23 at the “Forum 2001 Solar Energy: The Power to Choose” conference in Washington, D.C.

The buildings, selected by members of the COTE executive

committee, address significant environmental challenges with designs that integrate architecture, technology, and natural systems. Winning projects employ strategies that include reuse of existing structures, connection to transit systems, low-impact site development, energy and water conservation, use of “green” construction materials, and design that improves indoor air quality.

The winning entries are:

- **ABN-AMRO Bank World Headquarters, Amsterdam**, by Pei Cobb Freed & Partners Architects LLP
- **Adeline Street Urban Salvage Project, Berkeley**, by Leger Wanaselja Architecture
- **BigHorn Home Improvement Center, Silverthorne, Colo.**, by Marketplace Architects
- **Chesapeake Bay Foundation Headquarters, Annapolis**, by the Smith Group
- **Denver REI Flagship, Denver**, by Mithun Architects + Partners
- **Montgomery Campus, California College of Arts & Crafts, San Francisco**, by Leddy-Maytum Stacy Architects



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The Zion National Park Visitors Center blends with the natural beauty.



The Chesapeake Bay Foundation, east exterior.

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- **Nidus Center for Scientific Enterprise, Creve Coeur, Mo.**, by Hellmuth, Obata + Kassabaum
- **PNC Firstside Center, Pittsburgh**, by LDA-L.D. Astorino Companies
- **Sleeping Lady Conference and Retreat Center, Leavenworth, Wash.**, by Jones & Jones Architects and Landscape Architects
- **Zion National Park Visitor Center, Springdale, Utah**, by National Park Service-Denver Service Center.

This year's AIA/COTE Top 10 Green Projects initiative was developed in partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy. More information on the winning projects can be found at <http://www.eren.doe.gov/buildings/aiaopten/winners.cfm> 