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39 honored at Landscape Contractors event

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This year's California Landscape Contractors Association San Diego chapter award-winning projects ran the gamut from scrupulously planned backyards to a spruced-up elementary school.

At the 2013 Beautification Awards Program, held June 28 at the Joan Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, 19 local landscape contractors were honored.

Thirty-nine awards were handed out in 26 categories, out of a total of 65 entries, organizers said.

In the Sweepstakes Award division for best overall project **Falling Waters Landscape** of Encinitas, was honored for its work on One 19 Living Studio, a private residence in Cardiff-by-the-Sea.

Ryan Prange, the firm's owner, said he felt "super proud" about being recognized.

One 19 Living Studio had many, such as drainage, Prange said, but



Photo by Charles White, MTEK Studios

The CLCA San Diego President's Award for best landscape renovation went to Allen Landscape of Oceanside for Casa Sana in La Jolla.

"[that's] the type [of project] we like to work on."

"We have a great maintenance team who helped to keep things

going," he added. "We tried to make the space inviting and approach-

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able.”

Prange also credited architect Brett Farrow for providing a “fantastic template” for One 19 Living Studio.

Heaviland Enterprises of Vista, took home the Humanitarian Award for its volunteer work on Palomar Elementary School and dedicated thousands of dollars in resources to improving the campus. One project feature included each class having a tree dedicated to its year.

The President’s Award went to **Allen Landscape Inc.** of Oceanside, for the La Jolla-based Casa Sana project, which included a 100-year-old Torrey pine tree on the grounds.

Representatives from Heaviland and Allen Landscape were unavailable for comment.

Two San Diego-based firms, **The Brickman Group** and the **The Torrey Pines Landscape Co.**, were

also big winners; both took home five awards each.

The Torrey Pines Landscape Co. received the Judge’s Award for the Santoro Residence in San Diego.

During the ceremony, host Mark Steyaert — former park development manager for the city of Carlsbad and a registered landscape architect — said jokingly that on paper, landscape projects can be “a little verbose” by including plenty of acronyms and highly technical descriptions.

Lawrence O’Leary, CLCA San Diego chapter president, described the chapter as strong, and urged members to get involved to protect the industry’s interests.

CLCA arranges golf tournaments, festivals and forums dealing with topics such as the Affordable Care Act, he said.

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The California Landscape Contractors Association San Diego Chapter Judges' Award for residential maintenance was given to Torrey Pines Landscape Co. Inc. of San Diego for its work at the Santoro Residence in Rancho Santa Fe.



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The Sweepstakes Award for best design-and-build construction was given to Falling Waters Landscape Inc. of Encinitas for the One 19 Living Studio in Cardiff by the Sea.