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Todd Glowka Builder, Inc. Named 2018 Best in Outdoor Living

WASHINGTON, DC, Saturday, August 18, 2018 – The American Institute of Building Design (AIBD) named Todd Glowka Builder, Inc., as one of its top Custom Home Builders in the eleventh annual American Residential Design Awards (ARDA) in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. During a banquet dinner held in conjunction with the Design & Build Summer Conference, Todd Glowka Builder, Inc., was awarded the Grand ARDA trophy in Best Outdoor Living. The winning entries were chosen from 144 finished and proposed projects submitted by 41 design firms from 18 states and the District of Columbia.

Texas Hill Country Reclaimed Ranch~Pipe Creek, TX

Located within the confines of a 400-acre, high fenced game ranch stocked with various exotic species of antelope from Africa, you can't help but gaze up the mountain and focus on this splendid Todd Glowka Builder, Inc. project. The home overlooks numerous spring fed creeks that provide a year round source of "live water" running from one end of the ranch to the other. Deep swimming holes lined with massive boulders line the edges, creating beautiful waterfalls.

The residence serves as a weekend and summer get away for a growing Houston family with 2 young boys (pre-teens). It contains all the necessities — and then some — to provide the ultimate entertainment setting for family, friends and guests.

The residence was designed to be a Texas Hill Country Vernacular style home. Large family gathering rooms were created and accented with interior walls of stone, a massive see thru fireplace that separates the Trophy Room from the Family/Dining area and Kitchen.

In addition, the master wing was designed to have maximum privacy and is located the furthest distance away from the main living areas.

The finish out on the house is accomplished thru exceptional quality and the use of historical timbers reclaimed from 100 year old barns. A standing seam metal roof compliments the board & batt exterior siding application. Dry stacked stones that are field blended in custom mixes highlight the bronze wood windows to finish off the masterpiece.

The view from the porches is 10-25 miles in certain directions and helps capture the prevailing breezes during hot Texas Summer nights. At this house, the stars literally come to you, you don't have to reach out to them.

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ARDA is a progression of the AIBD Annual Design Competition, which has been in existence for more than 66 years. This year's jury included Allen Beaumont of B&A Design Studio in Sanford, Florida, Lynne Pratt of Pratt Building Company in Auburn Hills, Michigan, and Sean J. Tobin of Tobin Studio PLLC in Raleigh, North Carolina. This year's program was led by ARDA Committee Chairperson, Robert Klob of Chandler, Arizona.

The program is sponsored by www.PortfolioHomePlans.com. Portfolio Home Plans is an online home plan resource developed for builders by designers. Through their network of resellers, they offer thousands of high-quality home plans in an easy-to-use web portal that provides customers access to conceptual plans, home plans with full construction documents all without leaving your website.

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The winning ARDA entries are published at www.ResidentialDesignAwards.com.





