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IIDA ANNOUNCES BEST OF COMPETITION WINNER OF 2014 LIBRARY INTERIOR DESIGN AWARDS

CHICAGO, IL — The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) and the American Library Association (ALA) proudly announce Lee H. Skolnick Architecture + Design Partnership with 1100 Architect as the Best of Competition winner of the **2014 Library Interior Design Awards** for the Queens Library project in Jamaica, New York. The biennial Library Interior Design Awards honor international excellence in library Interior Design, and a demonstrated excellence in aesthetics, design, creativity, function, and satisfaction of the client's objectives. The Best of Competition award was presented and celebrated at the ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition in Las Vegas on Sunday, June 29, 2014.

"With the function of library spaces continually being reshaped and retooled to align with shifting end-user needs and advancing technologies, Design in library interiors must evolve quickly and creatively," **IIDA Executive Vice President and CEO Cheryl S. Durst, Hon. FIIDA**, LEED AP, said. "IIDA is pleased to once again join with the American Library Association to recognize and honor this project that pushes library Interior Design ahead in relevant, innovative, and meaningful ways."

The judging panel for the Library Interior Design Awards included **Christy Cain, IIDA**, RID, LEED AP BD+C, Senior Associate, Perkins+Will; **Stasia Czech, IIDA**, Senior Associate and Interior Designer, NBBJ; **Jessica Kayongo, J.D., M.A**, Anthropology & Interim Sociology Librarian, Hesburgh Libraries at the University of Notre Dame; and **Richard Waters, MLS**, Principal Consultant, Godfrey's Associates, Inc.

Images of the Best of Competition project from the Library Interior Design Awards will be published in the September 2014 issues of *Contract* magazine and *American Libraries*, with all winning images from the competition currently available to view on the [IIDA website](http://www.iida.org).

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The International Interior Design Association (IIDA) is the preeminent Commercial Interior Design professional networking and educational association with more than 13,000 Members practicing worldwide in more than 50 countries. IIDA promotes the value of Interior Design to business decision makers and to the general public through its Members who create the exceptional environments that encompass every aspect of the human experience. IIDA is committed to enhancing the quality of life through excellence in Interior Design and advancing Interior Design through knowledge, value and community. www.iida.org