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Commercial Integrator's sixth annual Best Electronics Systems Technologies product award winners were unveiled during InfoComm 2016 in Las Vegas. by Rachel Quetti

THE COMMERCIAL INTEGRATOR BEST

Awards program highlights the most outstanding new products, solutions and services that could impact the commercial integration industry in 2016. The winners of the BEST Awards were chosen by a panel of industry experts, integrators and the editors of Commercial Integrator. The categories are: Audio/Video, Building Enhancements, Control and

Automation, Networking and Communications, Dealer/Installer Aids and Security. Criteria for the winning products included innovation, functionality, competitive advantages and benefits to the installer.

Winners were announced on June 8 at InfoComm

2016 in Las Vegas.

"The goal of CI BEST Awards, as with all of CI's content, is to offer information that can help integrators become more efficient and more profitable, and we think these innovative products do just that," says Tom LeBlanc, editor-in-chief of Commercial Integrator.

The 2016 BEST Awards winners are:

AUDIO/VIDEO

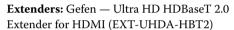
- **> Acoustical Treatments:** Cambridge Sound Management — Ot Active Emitter
- **> Audio Components & Processors:** Extron Electronics - AXP 64 C AT
- **>** Audio Conferencing Solutions: Shure Microflex Advance
- > Audio Distribution Systems: Cloud Electronics — MA40FT and Klipsch Audio — Klipsch Professional Series Landscape Speakers (tie)
- **> Collaboration:** Oblong Industries Mezzanine
- **> Conference/Classroom Projectors:** Barco F90-4K13 Projector
- **> Cooling Devices for TVs/Racks:** Tripp Lite SRCOOL7KRM Rack-Mounted Air Conditioning Unit
- > Digital Signage Hardware: Planar, A Leyard Company — LookThru Transparent OLED Dis-
- > Digital Signage Software: BrightSign Bright-Beacon Integrated Beacon Technology
- **➤ Display Mounts:** Peerless-AV Supreme Full Service Video Wall Mount (DS-VW775)
- > Installed Loudspeakers & Subwoofers: HAR-MAN — JBL Professional Control Contractor Series Surface Mount Speakers
- **▶ Interactive Whiteboards:** BenQ America RP750 Interactive Flat Panel
- **> Large Venue Projectors:** BenQ America LU9715 Laser Projector
- **> Matrix Switchers:** ZeeVee − ZyPer
- **> Media Servers:** Barco − XPR-604 Media Server
- **> Mixers & Mixing Consoles:** Mackie AXIS Digital Mixing System
- **> Outdoor Displays:** Samsung Electronics America — OHD Series Smart Signage and SunBriteTV — SB-8418HD (tie)
- **▶ Paging Systems:** Bosch PLENA Matrix
- > Pan/Tilt/Zoom Cameras: Bolin Technology - Bolin VCC-84K12S-SMB 4K HDBaseT PTZ Camera
- **▶ Projector Mounts:** Tempest G4 Projector **Enclosures**
- > Specialty A/V Cables, Interconnects, & IR

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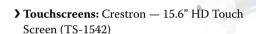
- ➤ TVs/Video Monitors: LG Electronics Dual-View Flat OLED Display
- > Venue/Line Array Loudspeakers: Harman JBL Professional PD500 Series Loudspeakers
- **> Video Components & Processors:** Crestron HD Streaming Transmitter/Receiver (DM-TX-RX-100-STR)
- **> Video Conferencing/Telepresence Solutions:** Atlona AT-UHD-HDVS-300-KIT
- ➤ Video Distribution Systems: Aurora Multimedia VLX Series and WyreStorm NetworkHD 200-Series with Touch Control (tie)
- ➤ Video Projection Screens: Screen Innovations — Zero-G
- > Video Scaler: Crestron 4K DigitalMedia Receiver & Room Controller w/Scaler (DM-RMC-4K-SCALER-C)
- **> Video Walls Solutions:** Barco Flagship Laser for 24/7 Control Rooms
- > Wired Microphones: Audio-Technica ATND931 Gooseneck Ceiling-Mount Microphone with Dante Network Output

BUILDING ENHANCEMENTS

- > Cell Signal Booster Solutions: Nextivity Cel-Fi DUO+ Smart Signal Booster
- ➤ Lighting: Fixtures/LED/Fiber Optic: LumaStream — EON 492
- ➤ Motorized Window Treatments: Somfy Systems Sonesse ULTRA 50 DC RS485
- > Power Conditioning, Surge Suppression, & Energy Solutions: Panamax — VT4315-PRO

CONTROL & AUTOMATION

➤ Large-Scale Control Systems: Kramer Electronics — Kramer Control



NETWORKING & COMMUNICATIONS

- **▶ Fiber-optic Transport:** Cleerline SSF SSF LC Fiber Optic Connectors
- ➤ IP Enabling Devices: DVIGear DisplayNet DN-100 Series Transmitters and Receivers
- **> Multimedia Cabling:** Crestron DM Ultra Cable (DM-CBL-ULTRA-NP, DM-CBL-ULTRA-P)
- ➤ Network Management Solutions: Pakedge by Control4 — Pakedge NK-1-CP
- Networking (Wireless, Powerline, & Coax)
 & Storage: EnGenius Technologies EnStationAC Outdoor Long-Range 11ac Wireless
 Bridge
- ➤ Telecom Infrastructure & Intercoms: Wahsega Labs — 2x2 Ceiling Speaker with SIP and InformaCast for Two Classrooms

DEALER/INSTALLER AIDS

- **> Cabinets, Furniture, Racks, Mounts & Cases:** Middle Atlantic Products Hub
- **> Case Study:** Peerless-AV Peerless-AV and Volta Digital Hybrid Charging Stations
- ➤ Installation Tools & Testers: Platinum Tools Net Chaser
- **> Programming, Design & Engineering Solutions:** Crestron .AV Framework
- **> Project Management & Design/Web Software:** D-Tools — System Integrator 2016 (SI 2016)
- **>** Training, Consulting, & Publications/Business Services: Almo Professional A/V — E4 AV Tour

SECURITY

> Access Control Solutions: ASSA ABLOY — IN100 Aperio Wireless Lock



