



B-K Lighting Fixtures Featured in Top Design at World Architectural Festival



Madera, CA - November 10, 2008 – B-K Lighting would like to congratulate the architectural firm of Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden for receiving a top award at the recent World Architecture Festival in Barcelona, Spain.

During the three-day festival held this past October, Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden took First Prize in the Holiday category for its design and development of the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre in Canada.

Sitting on a 1,600-acre parcel of land belonging to the Osoyoos Indian Band, the Nk'Mip Desert Culture Centre is located in the most endangered landscape in Canada. Its design is a specific and sustainable response to the building's unique setting - the spectacular Canadian desert located just south of the Okanagan Valley in Osoyoos, British Columbia.



*The Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre opened in June 2006.
Photo Credit: Nic Lehoux*

"Consideration for the affects of artificial lighting on the sensitive natural habitat was critical when determining the outdoor lighting for the Nk'Mip Desert Cultural Centre," said Brady Dunlop, Project Architect for Nk'Mip

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Desert Cultural Centre. "We wanted a discreet fixture that could endure the extreme temperatures of the desert environment and define the outdoor public spaces around the site. The B-K Lighting Square Step Star™ was selected for all cast-in concrete landscape wall and bollard locations, as the simple form and effective light distribution lent itself to the nature of the desert environment and aesthetic of the project."

In addition to the **Square Step Star™**, the Nk'Mip Desert Culture Centre also features additional B-K Lighting fixtures including **Lite Star™** strategically positioned to illuminate the main entrance sign and **Bollard Star™** located along the entrance to the complex.



*Square Steps Star™ fixtures illuminate the amphitheater.
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These fixtures were specified through SLS Group Industries/Light Resource, Inc., a B-K Lighting sales representative office servicing British Columbia.

In addition to the WAF Award, Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden has already received several acknowledgements for this project including the 2007 RAIC Award of Excellence for Innovation in Architecture.

About Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden: Hotson Bakker Boniface Haden architects + urbanistes is a multi-faceted and multi-disciplined team operating in Canada, with demonstrated success in mixed-use; waterfronts; public markets; housing; educational, cultural and municipal buildings; recreational facilities and major urban plans.

About SLS Lighting: Since 1985, SLS Lighting has been dedicated to providing the lighting industry in British Columbia with the highest quality and most innovative products available. SLS Lighting utilizes the latest technology and design to provide the link between the design community, contractors, distributors and industry resources.

About B-K Lighting: Since 1984, B-K Lighting has been dedicated to providing the lighting industry with the highest quality, most innovative and fairly priced outdoor lighting fixtures available. B-K Lighting manufactures standard and custom fixtures for architectural and landscape lighting including path, sign, area, flood, recessed building mounted, and in-grade applications. B-K Lighting products are installed in high-end residential and landmark applications around the world. QUALITY, SERVICE, INNOVATION, and VALUE all add up to make B-K Lighting the number one choice in outdoor lighting.

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