

TRAIN & PARTNERS' WINS DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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Charlottesville, Virginia (**April 15, 2008**) – **The Central Virginia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (CVAIA) has awarded 2008 Merit Awards for design excellence to Train & Partners Architects.** The Chapter singled out the firm for two projects deemed exceptional: the Linden Spa at The Inn at Perry Cabin, and a residence on an island in the West Indies.

Train & Partners designed The Linden Spa for Orient-Express' Inn at Perry Cabin, in St. Michael's, MD. The architects were inspired by the historic Inn, c. 1812, the Chesapeake Bay, and the indigenous architecture of the coastal region. Simple roof forms recall local maritime and farm structures, set off by a high tower which serves as a point of arrival.

The winning residential design is for an 18,000 square foot house on a small island once cultivated with sugar cane. The architecture is Caribbean, an interpretation of building styles prevalent throughout the islands. The design is for a luxurious cluster of buildings: Large wrap porches with wide overhangs and high ceilings dominate the design of the Main House, where living and dining take center stage. Nearby, small guest suites and pavilions create spaces for sleeping and sheltered exercise in the tropical climate.



Linden Spa at The Inn at Perry Cabin

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