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2018 Nominees Announced for 14th Annual Wood Design Awards in BC

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VANCOUVER – Wood *WORKS!* BC is pleased to announce the nominees for the 2018 Wood Design Awards in BC. There are 100 nominations in 14 categories, including one new category called Prefabricated Structural Wood, which recognizes creative design and innovative use of prefabricated wood systems, components and modules in a variety of building types.

The winners will be announced at the 14th annual Wood Design Awards evening, to be held on Monday, February 26th at the Vancouver Convention Centre (West), where they will be recognized for their leadership and innovation in wood use. More than 400 design and building professionals, including architects, structural engineers and project teams along with industry sponsors will be attending the highly anticipated evening event.

Submissions this year are from many locations in BC as well as other parts of Canada, and international projects from as far away as China. Projects of all types and sizes demonstrating outstanding architectural and structural achievement using wood are amongst the nominees, which include a library, a fire centre, an industrial building, a hotel, and a number of residential and mid-rise projects.

The panel of three judges were **Kristin Slavin**, AIA, LEED BD+C, Path Architecture, Portland, OR; **Brian McClure**, P.Eng., Struct.Eng., Senior Structural Engineer/Partner, Sorensen Trilogy, Nanaimo, BC; and **Susan Gagnon**, Vice President, Communications & Research, Coast Forest Products Association in Vancouver.

The Wood Design Awards are presented by Wood *WORKS!* BC, the Canadian Wood Council and its BC member associations; with funding support from Natural Resources Canada and Forestry Innovation Investment.

EVENT INFORMATION:

2018 Wood Design Awards in BC – Monday, February 26, 2018

Vancouver Convention Centre – West, 1055 Canada Place, Vancouver, BC

Tickets are on sale now: wood-works.ca/bc

To learn more about the Wood Design Awards in BC and view the nominees, please visit the Wood *WORKS!* BC website at www.wood-works.ca/bc

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Wood *WORKS!* is a national industry-led initiative of the Canadian Wood Council, with a goal to support innovation and provide leadership on the use of wood products and systems. Through workshops, seminars, conferences and case studies, *Wood WORKS!* provides education, training and technical expertise to building and design professionals and local governments involved with commercial, institutional and industrial construction projects throughout BC.

Wood *WORKS!* BC is proud to be part of Wood Innovates BC, a platform to bring people and resources together in-person and through digital channels to drive innovation in wood design, building and manufacturing.

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