



StoneCliff by Concert Properties was named Best Residential Development in BC.

HOT ON THE HEELS of a banner year for British Columbia's home building industry, the 13th Annual Georgie Awards was truly a gala celebration. With more than 400 entries – an astonishing 38% increase over last year – competition was stiff. Judges were bombarded with marketing statements, thick packages of blueprints, and over 2,500 photographs. But for the people who gathered at the Westin Bayshore on February 18th, the evening was an affirmation of BC's success and renewed vibrancy.

This year there was no run-away winner, no single company or project that swept the awards. Still, the evening was hardly without its share of surprises. One category, Best Print Advertisement, resulted in a tie between Concert Real Estate and Anthem Properties. But the biggest surprise of the evening was the announcement of a new category for Best Single Family Home Valued over \$5,000,000. Unique in Georgie history, the judges felt Vision Pacific's project, The Grove, was simply too outstanding to be judged fairly in the category of Best Single Family Home Valued over \$1,000,000 as it was submitted. The new category will become a regular part of the awards in future years.

The coveted Grand Georgies were awarded to some of the industry's oldest and newest members. Adera Developments was once again acknowledged as Best Home Builder in BC (Large Volume) while Homescape Building & Design took Best Home Builder in BC (Small Volume). Concert Properties was awarded Best Residential Development in BC for their West Vancouver high-rise



BDR Artisan Construction converted an unused rooftop into a spectacular rooftop garden to take gold for Best Landscape Design.

The 13th Annual Georgie Awards

Celebrating BC's Best

by Susan M Boyce



A luxurious ensuite in this Cornwall residential renovation is one of the features that brought first-time Georgie entrant BDR Artisan Construction four Gold Georgie Awards including Best Residential Renovator in BC.

development StoneCliff. First-time Georgie entrant, BDR Artisan Construction, converted four out of four silver awards into gold to become Best Residential Renovator in BC.

Also honoured on February 18th were the first graduates of BC's newly established Certified Residential Framing Technicians Program. A first of its kind in Canada, the program is designed specifically to meet the growing needs of the residential construction industry. Premier Gordon Campbell presented certificates to the program's top three graduates.

For a complete list of Georgie winners and more information on the residential construction in BC, visit the Canadian Home Builders' Association of BC at www.chbbbc.org.