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# HOME OF THE YEAR

## Winner SQUAM LAKE GUEST HOME

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**Murdough Design in Boston, Massachusetts**  
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Designed to harmonize with the family's original lakeside home that's set a stone's throw away, this 2,820-square-foot home incorporates great expanses of glass, gleaming black walnut floors, intelligent built-ins and a streamlined interior. Featured in *NEW HAMPSHIRE HOME (Room for Everyone!, July/August 2014)*, this home was carefully constructed with minimal impact on the lot's natural beauty.

**Judges said:** This home pays homage to Frank Lloyd Wright but brings the master firmly into the twenty-first century. Broad eaves, strong horizontality and ample glass are enlivened by the striking asymmetry of chimney, ceiling, clerestory and plan. A deft hand appears in the fineness of scale, proportion, materials and details. Private rooms received the same attention as the public spaces, creating a unified sense of quality throughout. This rigorous design endows the house with authenticity, strength and a sophistication often missing in a rustic retreat. The architect's design is realized through the builder's craft, creating a synergy that makes this home worthy of its awards and popularity.

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## Honorable Mention SUMMER SERENITY

**DeStefano Architects in Portsmouth**  
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**Judges said:** Despite its cottage-style massing and detail, this is a grand house in a grand tradition on a grand lake! The house succeeds in transitioning from a rigorously formal front façade to a much more informal lakeside façade. Overall, there is good control of large volumes balanced by more intimate nooks, materials and finishes. Many of the rooms seem delightfully bright and sunny. There is good consistency, quality and craftsmanship from the large elements of scale and form to the millwork details.

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## Honorable Mention MOUNTAIN HOUSE

**Recreama Development in Intervale**  
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Wood & Clay, Inc. specializes in architecturally unique, custom high-end home construction and renovation in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire. Founded in 1979 by area native, John Robinson, this family-run business has a long history in construction and project management, and a dedicated team with more than 150 years of combined experience.

This rich heritage, knowledge and commitment to long-standing company values— integrity, transparency and quality—is continuing with the next generation. John's daughter and son-in-law, Shannon Robinson-Beland and Kevin Beland, have taken over management of the company, while John continues to provide guidance.

With creativity and fine attention to detail, Kevin guides each project from concept to completion, personally ensuring top-down control of quality, product selection and design, scheduling, costs and safety. His goal is to make the project fun for owners, and he maintains relationships with clients long after the job is done.

Sustainability and environmentally sound building practices have long been a focus at Wood & Clay. The company applies green-building strategies, starting with the fundamentals of building science, carrying them through to the latest technology in whole house control and Energy Star Certification.

Together with Murdough Design in Boston, Massachusetts, Wood and Clay was honored with the distinction of 2016 Home of the Year Award in New Hampshire Home's annual Excellence in Design Awards for their collaborative project of the the Squam Lake Guest Home featured here.

The lakes and mountains of New Hampshire have left a lasting impression on Tom Murdough. His architecture firm, Murdough Design, aspires to design buildings that match his reverence for the New Hampshire landscape. Designing unique responses to the specifics of place, site, use and client – merging the practical requirements with the intangible aspects distinct to each design problem – Murdough Design seeks to create innovative and enduring architectural solutions with the power to enrich lives. As a team player, Murdough Design is equally committed to providing excellent service throughout the design and construction process and believes each project's success depends on strong relationships and trust between the client, builder and architect.

