

Stiles/Miller Wins Project of the Year for Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Fort Lauderdale

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla.—November 10, 2014— Stiles/Miller LLC, a joint venture partnership between Stiles and Miller Construction Company, received the prestigious "Project of the Year" award from The Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC), Florida East Coast Chapter for the recently completed Broward Center for the Performing Arts renovation and expansion project.

The ABC Excellence in Construction Awards is the industry's leading competition recognizing construction projects that display a commitment to safety and quality. The award ceremony was held on October 17, 2014 at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, Florida.

"This recognition is a testament to the commitment of the Stiles/Miller team as well as the public and private partnership that set this project in motion," said Stiles Chief Executive Officer Terry Stiles. "The tight project schedule and requirement for us to perform the work while the center was in full operation added significantly to its complexity. We are incredibly proud to be a part of the renewal of this defining Fort Lauderdale community asset."

As Project of the Year, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts was noted for its quality craftsmanship in all renovated spaces as well as its innovation in new construction. Most notably, the team constructed a tunnel that connected the performing arts theatres to the new Huizenga Pavilion, a waterfront event and entertainment venue.

"This was a great project for Stiles and Miller to join forces to deliver," said Miller CEO Tom Miller. "Not only do we bring the experienced team members, but we're committed to the continued growth of our local arts and entertainment hub in Fort Lauderdale, the city both of our companies call home."

The 18-month upgrades to the theater were planned meticulously in two June-October phases around the Center's schedule of performances. The first phase included refurbishing and restoring the 2,688-seat Au-Rene Theater with cutting-edge high-tech audio and lighting systems, a new orchestra lift and other advanced production features, new seating and carpeting, an upgraded roof, and a high-efficiency climate control system. Overlooking the Au-Rene Theater is a new Club Level bar and seating area where club patrons can enjoy refreshments before, during and after performances.

The second phase included the Rose Miniaci Arts Education center, a new three-story 27,630-square-foot arts education wing, as well as the new Huizenga Pavilion, a two-story event space designed to achieve Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification from the U.S. Green Building Council.

The Stiles and Miller organizations each bring deep experience in delivering award-winning construction at high-traffic, fully operational facilities that serve the public. Stiles, for example, was responsible for the recent \$9 million 31,000-square-foot expansion of the Museum of Discovery and Science, Fort Lauderdale and for the \$200 million Dolphin Stadium expansion in Miami where work was accomplished during the Marlins baseball season without interruption to a single event. Miller Construction Company's experience includes construction of the Nova Southeastern University's

Miniaci Performing Arts Center and the campus' University Center sports arena, plus dozens of major hospital projects with stringent operational and safety requirements.

In addition to the Project of the Year, the Broward Center for the Performing Arts renovation and expansion was also an Eagle Award winner in the category for contract amounts up to \$100 million. In total, Stiles received Eagle awards for four projects throughout the region, including the Centurion Air Cargo Facility for commercial projects from \$25 million to \$100 million.

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