

# Local Firms Finalists for National Housing Awards

By Anita Murray, Ottawa Citizen December 10, 2011

Three Ottawa-area companies have made the shortlist for national home building awards.

Corvinelli Homes, Amsted Construction and Lagois Drafting and Construction were all named this week among the top five in their respective categories for the 2011 Canadian Home Builders' Association SAM Awards.

(.....)

Finally, Lagois Drafting and Construction of North Gower (lagois.com) made the shortlist with a stunning dining room that also helped owner Herb Lagois snag GOHBA's renovator of the year award in October.

The dining room, a finalist in the "any room" category, was part of an extensive renovation to a Hemlock Road home that elevated the space into an upscale entertaining hub exuding bold sophistication. Lagois teamed up with designer Francie Bingham on the project, in which creative solutions were found to structural obstacles in the dining room ceiling by incorporating them into the design.

Lagois, who noted his firm has won at the national level twice before, said the news was fantastic.

"It really speaks for our entire team and they all deserve the credit," he said by email while travelling home from his son's wedding.

Winners will be announced at the CHBA's national conference in March.

Read more:

<http://www.ottawacitizen.com/entertainment/Local+firms+finalists+national+housing+awards/5839973/story.html#ixzz1gRANfvsV>