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Best in the U.S. Awards

The Home Technology Association (HTA) is proud to announce the 2021 "Best in the U.S." award winners. These awards help homeowners and trade professionals find the very best companies in their city to perform anything from simple home technology installations to very complex automated estates.

WHAT MAKES HTA "BEST IN U.S." SPECIAL?

There are a plethora of industry awards in the custom installation industry. There are two categories that these awards fall into.

1. Projects – A firm can win awards for projects in all sorts of categories like Home Theater, Integrated Home, Media Rooms, Lighting and Shade projects or Wellness projects.

2. Sales Awards - A firm can win a badge or award by reaching a purchasing milestone with a particular manufacturer. These designations – Platinum, Diamond, Elite, or Gold Dealer – are based on how much product they purchase over the course of a year.

The existing awards for projects are great as it lets you know that a company is technically sharp. Some of these awards, like the CEDIA Awards, are very technical and require a lot of technical documentation to achieve a win.

The sales awards let you know that a company has purchased and installed a lot of the gear a particular manufacturer sells, which can be important in determining a company's experience with a product line. What both of these categories are missing is that neither tell you if the homeowner was happy with the service received or their overall user experience. Did the system actually work after it was installed? Was the process efficient with good communication? Did the installation firm treat their home with care and respect? Did the firm deliver on their promises? Was the firm honest and fair in their business practices?

The Home Technology Association's "Best in the U.S." awards take a holistic approach to a custom installation firm and judges them based on three pillars:

Technical Proficiency – A firm must have the technical skills to provide an excellent customer experience. The Home Technology Association verifies with manufacturers, fellow installers in the market and trade partners that "Best in U.S." firms have an exceptional technical skill set.

Customer Service - A firm is required to have a stellar history of delivering exceptional customer service. In addition to evaluating a firm's service capabilities, the HTA checks with 6-12 references to verify the firm's service history.

Reputation – It is important that a "Best in U.S." firm have unimpeachable business practices. These firms are notable for being fair and trustworthy.

If a firm satisfies the requirements of these three pillars, the Home Technology Association expects a homeowner to have an excellent home technology experience.

No other award program takes a comprehensive look at a firm's capabilities and business practice like the 'Best in U.S.' awards.

THE AWARD TIERS

The HTA offered three tiers of award in 2021:



Black – The Black award is reserved for firms who routinely work on extremely high-end homes. These homes are typically from 10,000-100,000 square feet, include multiple structures and entrances and often have a domestic staff. These types of projects represent the most technically challenging installations and require complex engineering, problem solving and the most extreme levels of customer service.



Platinum – The Platinum award is given to firms that specialize in luxury custom homes with complex technology needs. These firms typically work on high-end homes with notable architects and interior designers. Platinum award winners must have excellent documentation and drawing capabilities and superior customer service skills.



Gold – Gold Award Winners are technically adept at homes that require great customer service and technical skills and have standard complexity levels. These homes are typically 6,000 square feet and under and do not have multiple structures on the property. Award winners are chosen based on their HTA certification application and multiple endorsements and interviews with outside individuals and firms familiar with their work and business practices. All winners are currently HTA Certified, which makes them a great choice for a home technology installation project.

DEVIL IS IN THE DETAILS

What are some of the details or tipping points to earn an award? The HTA dives deep into a company's capabilities and looks at many aspects of the business. How many years has the business been in operation? Are they fully licensed and insured? What is their customer service policy? Do they offer after hours service? Do they have a dedicated service department? What are their

capabilities to provide detailed documentation and drawings to the design/build team? Is there an excessive history of litigation? Does the company perform background checks on new employees? Can they be endorsed by an architect? A builder? An interior designer?

The HTA leaves no stone unturned when researching a firm. There are many homeowners frustrated with technology systems because they did little to no research on a firm before hiring one. It is easy to hire the wrong firm yet very difficult to find a good firm that fits with the size and scope of your project. The Home Technology Association was established to be a comprehensive consumer resource to direct consumers to the best integration firms and consumer electronics brands in the industry.

Learn more at htacertified.org.

A Shade Above	Morgan Hill	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
Acadian Home Theater	Baton Rouge	Louisiana	Best in the U.S. - Black
ACOUSTIC ARCHITECTS	Miami	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
AHT Global - Miami	Miami	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
Amplified Lifestyles	Hayward	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
Atlantic Control Technologies, Inc.	Annapolis	Maryland	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Command Systems - Florida	Boca Raton	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Command Systems - New York	Westbury	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Images	Tustin	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Integrations Inc.	Las Vegas	Nevada	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio One Inc	Dania Beach	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Video Systems	Plainview	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Video Systems, Inc.	Murray	Utah	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Visual Design Group - NH	Nashua	New Hampshire	Best in the U.S. - Black
Audio Visual Design Group - No Cal	Fremont	California	Best in the U.S. - Black

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 Automated Environments	Mesa	Arizona	Best in the U.S. - Black
 AVC Technologies	Tampa	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Bekins	Coopersville	Michigan	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Boca Theater and Automation, Inc.	Boca Raton	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Bravas - Colorado (formerly Residential Systems, Inc.)	Littleton	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Bravas DFW	The Colony	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Cantara	Costa Mesa	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Cloud 9 Integrated Systems, LLC	Steamboat Springs	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Comp-e-ware Technology Associates dba ComwareAV	Southlake	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Cyber Technology Group, Inc.	Scottsdale	Arizona	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Dallas Sight and Sound, Inc.	Dallas	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 DC Home Systems	Portsmouth	New Hampshire	Best in the U.S. - Black
 DSI	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 e-home inc.	Ridgefield	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Echo Systems	Olathe	Kansas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Echo Systems (Nebraska)	Omaha	Nebraska	Best in the U.S. - Black
 eDesign Group, Inc.	Kihei	Hawaii	Best in the U.S. - Black
 eInteractive	New Milford	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Electronic Concepts	Rochelle Park	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Electronic Environments	New York	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Epic Smart Homes (Austin, TX)	Austin	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 ETC Palm Beach, LLC	West Palm Beach	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Future Home	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Futurehome Systems & Design Inc.	Fresno	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Fuzion3-Beverly Hills	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Fuzion3-Newport Beach	Costa Mesa	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 HAAS Home Technologies	Austin	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Harrison Home Systems, Inc	Lakewood	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Black
 HEDsouth	Hollywood	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Hermary's LLC	San Carlos	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Home Automation Hawaii, LLC.	Honolulu	Hawaii	Best in the U.S. - Black
 HomeTronics	Dallas	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Innerspace Electronics, Inc.	Port Chester	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Integration Techs	La Quinta	California	Best in the U.S. - Black

 Interseckt Corporation	Coral Gables	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 KOZI MEDIA DESIGN	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania	Best in the U.S. - Black
 KP Audio & Video INC.	Calabasas	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 M2 Multimedia	Reseda	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Man Caves Plus Inc.	Holtsville	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Media Systems, Inc	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Metro Eighteen Inc. - Los Angeles	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Metro Eighteen Inc. - San Francisco	San Francisco	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Modern Home Systems	San Diego	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 One Touch Living	San Diego	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 OneButton (NY)	Brooklyn	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
 OPUS Audio/Video/Control	North Haven	Connecticut	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Osbee Industries, Inc.	Harrison	New York	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Paragon Systems Integration - Colorado	Basalt	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Precision Media Solutions, LLC	Lakewood	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Premiere Systems (Chicago, IL)	Chicago	Illinois	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Premiere Systems - (Naples, FL)	Naples	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Black
 REALM	Norwalk	Connecticut	Best in the U.S. - Black
 SAV Digital Environments	Bozeman	Montana	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Sierra Integrated Systems LLC	Reno	Nevada	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Signals Audio Video	El Segundo	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Simply Automated LLC.	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Simply Home Entertainment	Culver City	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 SoundWaves Custom Home Integration	Gladwyne	Pennsylvania	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Spire Integrated Systems Inc	Troy	Michigan	Best in the U.S. - Black
 The Integrated Home	Charlotte	North Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Black
 TSP Smart Spaces	Cambridge	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Unlimited Integration	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Black
 Vision and Sound	Manhattan Beach	California	Best in the U.S. - Black
 WOW Media Inc.	Fall River	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Black
 @Home Audio Video Technology	Knoxville	Tennessee	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Acoustic Design Systems	Las Vegas	Nevada	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Acoustic Evolution dba AE Audio	San Diego	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Adobe Cinema & Automation	Mashpee	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum

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 Advanced Communication Technologies	Norwell	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 All Metro Tech	Murray	Utah	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Apex Audio Video	Austin	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Ardent Integrated Systems	Sherman Oaks	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Atlanta Audio & Automation	Atlanta	Georgia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Audio Impact	San Diego	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Audio Video Outfitters	Bluffton	South Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Audio Visual Design Group - IL	Chicago	Illinois	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Audio Warehouse	Charleston	South Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Aurum	Denver	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 AVX Design & Integration	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Barney Miller's, Inc.	Lexington	Kentucky	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Beemer Productions Inc.	Kirkland	Washington	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Bethesda Systems	Bethesda	Maryland	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Beyond Home Theater	Santa Monica	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Bravas - Indianapolis (formerly Digitech Custom)	Carmel	Indiana	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Brilliant AV	Costa Mesa	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Buday's Home Electronics Simplified	Kalamazoo	Michigan	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 CO-DA	Indian Trail	North Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Connect Consulting INC	Woodland Park	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Cravtzman	Englewood	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Creative Sound & Integration	Scottsdale	Arizona	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Custom Electronics	Lowell	Arkansas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Custom Home Sound	Charleston	South Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Cutting Edge Systems Corp	Westford	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Definitive Sound Inc.	Mississauga	Ontario	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Desert Sound & Security	Phoenix	Arizona	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Design Electronics	Niagara Falls	Ontario	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Easy Living with Technology	Clearwater	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Echo Workshop	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Electronic Home	Atlanta	Georgia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Electronic Home Environments	Sterling	Virginia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Electronic Lifestyles	Astoria	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Elevated Integration	Armonk	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
Elite A/V & Automation	Madison	Wisconsin	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
Enhanced Home	Port Chester	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum

 Evolve Technologies	Dallas	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Ficrest	Burbank	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 First Priority Audio	Pompano Beach	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Focused AV	Hillsdale	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 frayednot	Cranford	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Garrett Integrated Systems	Battleground	Washington	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Gilmore's Sound Advice, Inc.	New York	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Haas Entertainment	Culver City	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 HiFi Club	Santa Barbara	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Home Theaters Etc. Inc.	Omaha	Nebraska	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 HOUSE SYSTEMS	New York	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 iconic.systems	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 IGS Homeworks	Magnolia	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Illusive Automation	Fort Lauderdale	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 INI AV	Leesburg	Virginia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Innovative Technologies & Associates	East Quogue	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Integration Controls	Saint Louis	Missouri	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 ioty, inc.	Doral	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 iQuarters	Montgomery	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Kelowna Custom AV	Kelowna	British Columbia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Kreative AV inc.	Malden	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Legato Home Music and Theater	Santa Monica	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 LeIch Audio Video	Saint Louis Park	Minnesota	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Lunar Audio Video, LLC.	Pequannock	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Maxsystems	Van Nuys	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Millennium Systems Design. Inc	Orlando	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Mills Technologies	Skokie	Illinois	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 NuHome Tech, Inc.	Van Nuys	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 NXT AV	Irvine	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 One-Touch Automation, Inc.	Westfield	Indiana	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 OneAdvantEdge	Miami	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Pacific Audio & Communications, Inc	Lihue	Hawaii	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Paragon Systems Integration - Florida	West Palm Beach	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Personal Technology	Alhambra	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 PLAY - Custom Home Technology	Bluffton	South Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 RAC Advanced Control, Inc.	Tahoe City	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum

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 Refined Systems, LLC	Spring	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Restrepo Innovations	Wyckoff	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Rich AV Design, LLC.	Stamford	Connecticut	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Sights-N-Sounds	Seaford	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Silver Star Sound and Electric	Newport Beach	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Smarter Homes	Lakeway	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 SmartHome Solutions, Inc.	Kennebunk	Maine	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 SmartTouchUSA	Columbia	Maryland	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Sound Decision	Los Angeles	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Sound Installation & Design	Jacksonville	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 SoundVision LLC	Mooresville	North Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Sphere Audio Video	Birmingham	Alabama	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Stereo Types	Charlottesville	Virginia	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Stone Glidden	King of Prussia	Pennsylvania	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Symbio Lighting & Control	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 System Integrators, Inc	South Burlington	Vermont	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Systems Design & Integration, Inc.	Needham	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Tampa Bay Electronic Systems	Tampa	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Tech Automation	Troy	Michigan	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Techmaven LLC	Stony Brook	New York	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Technical Operations And Development	Sagamore	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Technology Design Associates	Bend	Oregon	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 The Appropriate Connections, Inc	Gilroy	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 The Audiohouse	Vero Beach	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 The Premier Group	Carmel	Indiana	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 The Sound Room	St. Louis	Missouri	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Thoughtful Integrations - Missouri	Maryland Heights	Missouri	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Thoughtful Integrations Texas	Rowlett	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Tree Ridge Enterprise Inc.	Bristol	Vermont	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Tune Street	Great Barrington	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Vineyard Sound Integration	Vineyard Haven	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Walbrandt Technologies	Saint Louis	Missouri	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 WAVE Designs	Mountlake Terrace	Washington	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 Wilshire Media Systems Inc	Westlake Village	California	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
World Wide Stereo	Hatfield	Pennsylvania	Best in the U.S. - Platinum

 Xtreme Audio and Video	Houston	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Platinum
 3D Smart Homes	Springfield	Missouri	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Advanced Integrated Systems	Tremonton	Utah	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AudioArt	Sudbury	Massachusetts	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AudioWorks, Inc.	South Salt Lake	Utah	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AUTOMATED LIVING LLC	Louisville	Kentucky	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AuVid Automation	Salt Lake City	Utah	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AV Solution	New Rochelle	New York	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 AV Squared	Omaha	Nebraska	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Buchan Consulting LLC	Mt. Prospect	Illinois	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 CH Automation & Theatre Systems	Alhambra	California	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Custom Theater and Audio	Murrells Inlet	South Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Fuzion3-Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Nevada	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Harmonic Series	Fort Collins	Colorado	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Hippo's	Albany	New York	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Integral Systems, LLC	Clearwater	Florida	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Integrated Tech Solutions	New Providence	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Kustom Home Entertainment	Bell Buckle	Tennessee	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 MediaObsessions	Cuyahoga Falls	Ohio	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Modern Media Innovations LLC.	Dayton	Ohio	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 PREMIERE SYSTEMS DESIGN	Bayport	New York	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Pure Audio Video Systems	Chatham	New Jersey	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 r:home	Chicago	Illinois	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Reference Audio Video & Security	Davenport	Iowa	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Smart Home Worx Inc	New York	New York	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 StroTek LLC	Pearland	Texas	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Swift Audio, LLC	Elk Rapids	Michigan	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Synergy Integrated Systems	Raleigh	North Carolina	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Teague iCtrl	Lenexa	Kansas	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Whitman Automation LLC	North Canton	Ohio	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 Wired Media Solutions	Anaheim	California	Best in the U.S. - Gold
 ZHiFi	San Gabriel	California	Best in the U.S. - Gold