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Shapiro & Duncan Receives National Recognition from Associated Builders and Contractors at the 2017 Workforce Week Conference

The area's leading mechanical firm wins a national award for Excellence in Construction and one of their skilled tradesmen is recognized for Craftsmanship.

Rockville, MD – March 9, 2017– <u>Shapiro & Duncan, Inc</u>., the D.C metro area's leading mechanical solutions provider of choice, announces that it has been recognized by <u>Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.</u> (ABC) with the prestigious Eagle Award for Mechanical Projects \$10 million and above for their project, INOVA Women's & Children's Hospital in Falls Church, VA. . Jonathan Davis, a Plumbing Apprentice Level 4, at Shapiro & Duncan, received the Silver Medal in the plumbing trade for his performance during the 30th Annual National Craft Championships competition. Shapiro & Duncan received the Eagle Award on March 1 during ABC's 27th Annual Excellence in Construction Awards and Jonathan Davis was honored for his knowledge and skills with the Silver Medal for Plumbing on March 3rd at the Careers in Construction Awards breakfast in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

"Associated Builders and Contractors is proud to honor Shapiro and Duncan with a best-in-class Excellence in Construction Eagle Award for their tremendous work in completing the INOVA Women's and Children's Hospital safely, on time and budget," said 2017 ABC National Chair Chuck Goodrich, president of Gaylor Electric Inc., Indianapolis. "The dedication to innovation, productivity and world-class craftsmanship demonstrated by Shapiro and Duncan and its employees produced truly impressive results that any project owner would be proud of."

The Excellence in Construction awards program is the industry's leading competition, developed to honor innovative and high-quality merit shop construction projects, with an Eagle Award presented to the top project in each category. The award honors all construction team members, including the contractor, owner, architect and engineer. The winning projects, selected from entries submitted from across the nation, were judged on complexity, attractiveness, unique challenges overcome, completion time, workmanship, innovation, safety and cost.

"This year's field of the top construction apprentices and trainees truly represents the very best the merit shop construction industry has to offer, and Associated Builders and Contractors could not be more proud of these talented men and women," said 2017 ABC National Chair Chuck Goodrich, president of Gaylor Electric, Indianapolis. "Gaylor Electric and our fellow ABC member companies are truly fortunate to employ such a talented group of highly trained and incredibly skilled craft professionals who represent the future of our great industry."

This year's field of competitors featured 170 craft professionals from across the country competing for top honors in 13 categories in 11 crafts. Competitors first took an intense, two-hour written exam and then competed in a daylong hands-on practical performance test.

A panel of industry experts served as the competition's judges. This year's panel included representatives from the Design-Build Institute of America, *Engineering News-Record*, the Construction Users Roundtable, and the National Association of Women in Construction, and representatives from higher education, among others.

ABOUT ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS, INC.

Associated Builders and Contractors is a national construction industry trade association representing nearly 21,000 chapter members. Founded on the merit shop philosophy, ABC and its 70 chapters help members develop people, win work and deliver that work safely, ethically and profitably for the betterment of the communities in which ABC and its members work. Visit us at <u>www.abc.org</u>

ABOUT SHAPIRO & DUNCAN, INC.

Shapiro & Duncan is the "Mechanical Solutions Provider of Choice" for commercial, government and institutional customers throughout the D.C. metro area for mechanical construction, design-build and traditional projects, as well as equipment replacement and 24/7 service. A third generation family business, Shapiro & Duncan continues a 40 year track record of dependability and innovation that has consistently enabled the company to deliver high value and efficient mechanical infrastructure to its customers. The company also provides well documented mechanical solutions utilizing Building Information Modeling (BIM) to ensure prompt delivery of each and every project. Shapiro & Duncan also promotes state-of-the-art quality, coordination and sustainability prefabricating mechanical and plumbing assemblies for all projects from their manufacturing plant in Landover. Design, Build, and Sustain are the guidelines for the mechanical solutions that Shapiro & Duncan provides on every project. To learn more about the company of Shapiro & Duncan visit <u>www.shapiroandduncan.com</u> or call (301) 315-6260.

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