

## Volunteers honoured at IDC/IIDA Toronto Leaders Breakfast

Toronto, ON – December 3, 2014 – Interior Designers of Canada (IDC) and the International Interior Design Association (IIDA) presented Lynn McGregor, Principal, McGregor Design Group, and Peter Grimley, Owner, Grimley & Associates, with the prestigious Leadership Award of Excellence for 2014. The award, which recognizes outstanding contributions to the interior design industry, was presented at the eighth annual IDC/IIDA Leaders Breakfast, on December 3 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre as part of IIDEXCanada. Artistic Director of the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF), Cameron Bailey, delivered the keynote address.

"I can't think of more deserving and tenacious individuals than this year's honourees," said IDC CEO, Susan Wiggins. "Lynn and Peter have represented the design community to government and stakeholders for more than two decades, and they have done so with more conviction and enthusiasm than anyone I have ever met."

For more than 25 years, Lynn and Peter have worked towards the ultimate goal of practice legislation for the profession. In 1999, the two were instrumental in getting ARIDO (the Association of Registered Interior Designers of Ontario) "Titles Act" legislation, and in 2006, their efforts got the practice act to second reading.

"We've dedicated a great deal of our time to this cause because we believe it's essential to the evolution of the profession," says Mr. Grimley. "Not only will government regulation formally authenticate that interior designers are guardians of the health, safety and welfare of the public, but it formally validates our role as professionals in the built environment."

"I am humbled to be recognized by my professional association in this capacity," says Ms. McGregor. "It is a great honour to share this distinction with my long-time friend and colleague."

Peter was named an ARIDO Fellow in 2000, was president of ARIDO in 2007, and of the Interior Designers of Canada Foundation for many years. Lynn was named an ARIDO Fellow in 2000, and was president of ARIDO in 2006. In 2012 she was the recipient of Ryerson University's Recognition of Achievement Award.

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### About IDC

IDC is the professional association for interior designers in Canada. IDC's mandate is to advance the profession of interior design across Canada as well as internationally. It does so through advocacy with government and the public, and by providing continuing education opportunities and business practice support services to members. For more information on IDC, please visit [idcanada.org](http://idcanada.org).



**LYNN MCGREGOR**

**IDC/IIDA Leadership Award of Excellence**

December 3, 2014

*On behalf of the Government of Ontario, I am delighted to congratulate you on receiving the IDC/IIDA Leadership Award of Excellence from Interior Designers of Canada (IDC) and International Interior Design Association (IIDA).*

*Good interior design is transformative — it improves our homes and our work environments, supports our health and well-being, and elevates the very quality of our lives.*

*Ms. McGregor, for 35 years, you have shared your design expertise with both clients and recipients of your volunteer time. I want to commend you for your commitment to good design, good value and to the highest standards of professionalism in your field.*

*You are a role model for present and future generations of interior designers.*

*Once again, congratulations! I wish you much ongoing success.*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Wynne".

**Kathleen Wynne  
Premier**

