



Our project **HIGHER ROCH**  
in Montpellier, France  
winner #architecturehunter  
#mixeduse category

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We are proud that our [Higher Roch](#) project in Montpellier has won this high-impact international award in the mixed-use category, and is one of four projects to top the list!

The Higher Roch tower is one of the components of the City Roch program, which includes offices, a retail base and a subsidized housing building.

Located on the edge of the historic city, the Saint-Roch sector, a territory conquered on the rails, is intended to foster the emergence of a new, lively, open, mixed-use and sustainable station district.

In this urban puzzle, the 57-meter-high residential tower symbolizes the district's new impetus, and is intended to bridge the gap between two urban histories, the historic city and its industrial heritage.

Architecture Hunter's press release follows.

## WINNERS 2024



**HAIR ROOM TOARU**  
Hanno, Japan  
Ateliers Takahito Sekiguchi

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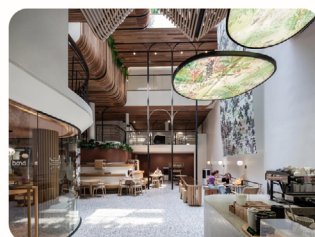
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**CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
Brasilia, Brazil  
ARQBR Arquitetura e Urbanismo

ARCHITECTURE

Institutional Facilities



**DOUBLE B HOSTEL**  
Bangkok, Thailand  
VMA Design Studio

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Hospitality & Hotel



**HIGHER ROCH**  
Montpellier, France  
Brenac & Gonzalez & Associés

ARCHITECTURE

Mixed-use Building



## PRESS RELEASE: ANNOUNCING THE WINNERS OF THE ARCHITECTURE HUNTER AWARDS 2024

### Celebrating Global Creativity and Innovation in Architecture and Design

Architecture Hunter is thrilled to announce the winners of the 2024 Architecture Hunter Awards (AHA), an international distinction dedicated to honoring exceptional achievements across architecture, interior design, landscape architecture, and more. This year's awards highlighted projects that represent the forefront of creativity, sustainability, and purposeful design, emphasizing the impact of visionary work on the built environment. With a wide-ranging set of categories, the AHA seeks to honor projects that stand out not only for their aesthetic value but also for their unique functional and environmental contributions.

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### Celebrating the Best in Architecture: A Look at the 2024 Winners

The Architecture category saw a diverse array of winners who exemplified excellence in different domains. Among the winners was **Casa GAK** by Bernardes Arquitetura, in the Residential & House category that captures the beauty of thoughtful residential design. **Beeah Headquarters** by Zaha Hadid Architects took the top honor in Office Architecture category, showcasing the firm's commitment to dynamic and innovative design principles. The Small Architecture category was awarded to **The Infinite Rise** by Earthscape Studio, a structure that demonstrates the potential of compact spaces to create an outsized architectural impact. Meanwhile, Spasm Design's **Sarvasva**, winner of the High Rise Building category, captured attention for its towering form and meticulous detailing.

In commercial spaces, **Toaru Hair Room** by Ateliers Takahito Sekiguchi stood out in the Commercial Architecture category, merging modern design with functional elegance. **Double B Hostel** by VMA Design Studio won in Hospitality & Hotel category, embodying a warm and inviting aesthetic. The Mixed-Use Building category was claimed by **Higher Roch** from Brenac & Gonzalez & Associés, while Siqueira + Azul Arquitetura's **Itaúna House** was celebrated for its innovative approach in Renovation category. In the Institutional Facilities category, **Church of the Holy Family** by ARQBR Arquitetura e Urbanismo was recognized for its thoughtful integration of spirituality and design.

### Interior Design Innovations

The Interior Design category celebrated works that masterfully blend style and functionality

within various environments. **House on the Sand** by Studio MK27, a winner in House Interior Design category, reflects the beauty of coastal-inspired interiors. **Babayants Bel Corpo** by Babayants Architects won in the Commercial Interior Design category, impressing with its contemporary layout and refined details. **Prime Seafood Palace** by Omar Gandhi Architects, awarded in Hospitality & Hotel Interior Design category, stands out for its blend of rustic charm and sophistication. **Terrace Apartment** by Estudio Guto Requena took the prize in Apartment Interior Design category for its fresh and modern aesthetic, and **Le Creuset** by Carlos Rossi Arquitetura won for Office Interior Design category for its creative and functional workspace.

## Recognizing Landscape Architecture and Unbuilt Projects

Landscape architecture also saw exemplary contributions, with Hanazaki's **DSF House** winning in the Residential Landscape Architecture category, underscoring the importance of integrating natural elements into residential designs. Unbuilt projects, a category dedicated to visionary ideas yet to be realized, featured some of the most forward-thinking concepts of this year. **Aether** by Lina Maria Trivino received the Unbuilt Student category, while **Ramia** by Taller Alvarado Teles was honored in Unbuilt Architecture for its inspiring vision. Julia Getschko's **Intentos por São Paulo Minhocão** received top marks in Unbuilt Landscape Architecture, and Studio MK27's **Water Canal** was awarded in Unbuilt Interior Design for its innovative and ambitious proposal.

## Celebrating Images and Videos that Capture Architectural Marvels

The AHA also recognizes the power of visual storytelling through its Image and Video categories. Wellington Franzao's **Daxing PKX** claimed the Render category, with Vinay Panjwani's **Jaisalmer School** awarded for Architectural Photography and Vaibhav Passi's **Living with Modernity** winning the Artistic Photo category. In the Video category, **Texoversum** by 9sekunden captured the Architecture Video category, while Guá Arquitetura's **Amazon Carpenters** won for Short Documentary, highlighting the craftsmanship and stories behind architecture.

## Sustainability as a Central Theme

With sustainability a core focus of contemporary design, the AHA awarded **Flagship Dolce Gusto Neo** by Estudio Guto Requena the prize in Sustainable Architectural Design, celebrating innovative solutions that contribute to a more sustainable future.

## Honorable Mentions: Recognizing Unique Contributions

In addition to the main awards, more than 30 projects received Honorable Mentions for their distinctive qualities, showcasing the breadth of creativity recognized by the AHA. Highlights include **Solar Trees Marketplace** and **Baffi Restaurante** in the Commercial Architecture category, **Talaga Sampireun Bali** in Hospitality & Hotel, and **Kaktus Towers** in Architectural Photography. The variety in these projects illustrates the range of creativity and purpose-driven design being produced globally.

## An Esteemed Jury, Sponsors, and a Vision for the Future

The winners were selected by an esteemed panel of more than 40 jurors, including prominent figures such as Stefano Boeri, Piero Lissoni, Marcio Kogan, and Ma Yansong, whose insights

and expertise brought a wealth of perspectives to the selection process. This diversity among the jury members ensured that each winning project was recognized not only for its design excellence but also for its broader social, cultural, and environmental impact.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the sponsors who made the Architecture Hunter Award 2024 possible. Presented by ARQOS, with the generous support of our premium sponsors Dell Anno, Urbem, and Roca, as well as our dedicated supporters: Arquitectónica, Casoca, Designart Tokyo, Hunter Douglas, Morpholio, Punto e Filo, Salva, and Melitta. Their commitment to fostering creativity and innovation in architecture and design has been instrumental in bringing this celebration to life.

As the 2024 awards season concludes, Architecture Hunter looks forward to expanding the AHA program in 2025, with plans for new categories and enhanced opportunities for emerging architects and students. By celebrating the architects, designers, and thinkers who shape our environments, the AHA aims to set a new standard for international recognition in architecture and design, inspiring future innovations and fostering a global community of visionaries.

For more details and a complete list of winners, please visit <https://architecturehunter.com/aha-winners-2024/>

Join us in celebrating the exceptional architecture that is shaping the world today and paving the way for tomorrow.