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Five NKBA Designers Selected to Judge Best of KBIS Awards 2020

Judges to award top honors to the most innovative kitchen and bath products of 2020

(Alpharetta, Ga.) – November XX – The [Kitchen & Bath Industry Show \(KBIS\)](#) today announced the five industry design professionals who have been named judges of its annual Best of KBIS Awards - Garrison Hullinger, Shannon Ggem, Ashlee Richardson, Sarah Robertson and Rebecca West. The judges will choose the most innovative new products making its debut at KBIS in the categories of kitchen, bath, outdoor living, smart home technology and best of show. An editor from *Luxe Interiors + Design* will host the awards ceremony on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at 4:00 pm on the KBIS NeXT Stage at the Las Vegas Convention Center. *Luxe Interiors + Design* is the official sponsor of the 2020 Best of KBIS Awards.

Meet the Best of KBIS 2020 Judges



Garrison Hullinger, NKBA, is Principal at [Garrison Hullinger Interior Design](#). GHID's meteoric rise from its 2010 start in Garrison's attic to a bustling studio in downtown Portland is a direct result of the talent and flexibility of the team he has assembled and nurtured over the years. Combined with his background in branding and retail business systems, Garrison's commitment to client-centered design and deep understanding of color, form, and construction shape every project that GHID takes on – whether it's a private home, a multi-family development, or a high-end hotel.



Shannon Ggem, NKBA, is the principal at [Ggem Design Co.](#) and a whole home remodel/full furnish specialist in Los Angeles specializing in bringing quality older homes up to date in flow, function and style for discerning clients. She is a recipient of the Custom Home Builder Adaptive Reuse Award and the International Design and Architecture Award and has been recognized by the City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County for her contributions to historic preservation. In addition to being a member of the NKBA, She is also an associate member of the American Institute of Architecture (AIA) and the Institute for Classical Art and Architecture.



Ashlee Richardson, NKBA, is the lead designer and project manager at [Nar Design Group](#), a design/build firm in Sacramento, California. She is a member of the NKBA Thirty Under 30 Class of 2017. Ashlee enjoys the hands-on experience of the complete design and build process. From the initial meeting to the final finished photograph, Ashlee loves creating spaces with thoughtful details specific to each individual client. As a Sacramento resident, she admires the unique design history, art culture, and farm-to-form mission of the city. Ashlee and the Nar Design Group team are excited to influence contemporary home design in Sacramento and beyond.



Sarah Robertson, NKBA, understands the importance of being organized. Perhaps that's why this NKBA kitchen design maven and founder of Studio Dearborn has made the mastery of storage an integral part of her design success. With an intense focus on the functional details of every kitchen, she blends clever storage seamlessly into precision millwork, resulting in tailored, elegant spaces that are fun to cook and live in. Industry accolades include NKBA Best Kitchen design, KBDN's Top 50 Innovators, TIDA International Design winner, 2 KBDN design awards and 2 C&G Innovation Awards. Featured in House Beautiful, Washington Post, Apartment Therapy, Luxe, and HGTV Magazine among others, Robertson has an active blog and a loyal social media following.



Rebecca West, NKBA, IDS is an interior designer and founder of [Seriously Happy Homes](#) in Seattle. She believes that our homes can help us be healthier, happier, and more hopeful. She is a certified design psychology coach and the author of the book *Happy Starts At Home*, and is a frequent speaker in Seattle. She serves on the board of Heritage Design School and is passionate about giving back to the community. She and her team donate a portion of her firm's design project profits to support Rebuilding Together Seattle, a non-profit organization that provides free home repairs for low-income homeowners.

"Each year hundreds of amazing new kitchen and bath products are introduced at KBIS, but only seven are recognized as the Best of KBIS," said Amy Hornby, Show Director, KBIS. "We are thrilled to be working again with a group of talented and well respected NKBA designers who have accepted the challenge to select the 2020 winners. I can't wait to see which products they choose as 'best of the best.'"

KBIS is the destination to discover what's new and next for the kitchen and bath industry. More than 600 exhibitors are attending KBIS 2020, including 100 new brands that are exhibiting for the first time, as well as 25 global brands. KBIS runs January 21-23, 2020 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. [Register now to attend.](#)



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About KBIS

KBIS, in conjunction with the National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA), is an inspiring, interactive platform that showcases the latest industry products, trends and technologies. KBIS is the voice of the kitchen and bath industry and has been for 50+ years.

In 2013, the National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) and National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) announced an agreement to co-locate the Kitchen & Bath Industry Show (KBIS) with the International Builders' Show (IBS) in Las Vegas, Nev. in February 2014 under the banner of Design and Construction Week®. In 2018, both organizations extended the agreement through 2026. The mega-event returns to Las Vegas Jan. 21-23, 2020. NKBA and NAHB will continue to produce separate educational programming and special events though one pass provides access to both shows.

KBIS is produced by Emerald Expositions, a leading operator of business-to-business trade shows in the United States. The company currently operates more than 55 trade shows, as well as numerous other face-to-face events. In 2018, Emerald's events connected over 500,000 global attendees and exhibitors and occupied more than 6.9 million NSF of exhibition space.

More information about KBIS can be found at www.kbis.com.

About the National Kitchen & Bath Association and the Kitchen & Bath Industry Show

The National Kitchen & Bath Association (NKBA) is the not-for-profit trade association that owns the Kitchen & Bath Industry Show® (KBIS), as part of Design and Construction Week® (DCW). With nearly 50,000 members in all segments of the kitchen and bath design and remodeling industry, the NKBA has educated and led the industry since the association's founding in 1963. The NKBA envisions a world where everyone enjoys safe, beautiful and functional kitchen and bath spaces. The mission of the NKBA is to inspire, lead and empower the kitchen and bath industry through the creations of certifications, specialty badges, marketplaces and networks. For more information, visit www.nkba.org or call 1-800-THE-NKBA (843-6522).

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