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Garden Concepts Wins APLD™ Residential Landscape Design Award

August 13, 2003, Glenview, IL—Glenview, IL Tim Thoelecke, president Garden Concepts, Inc. accepted the first place award in the \$75,000 and up category for the Association of Professional Landscape Designers Landscape Design Awards at the Summer APLD™ Conference in New York City. Winners were judged based on the following criteria: Effectiveness of Presentation; Functionality of Design Elements; Relationship to Site (context); Environmental Responsibility (erosion, excess fertilization, etc.); Suitability of Plant Material (color, textures, variety, suitability to site, and design context); Effective Integration of Plants and Hardscapes; Originality and Creativity; and Maintenance. Three judges reviewed the entries. All three are well known in the design and horticultural arenas and have many credentials.

Entitled "Lake Forest Residence," the winning entry is a blend of many diverse features including a swimming pool, spa, stone and brick paving, walls and a built-in, masonry barbecue. Judges' comments included "Overall impression—WOW!"

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