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Best In  
American  
Living  
AWARD



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Professional Builder magazine and National Association of Home Builders are proud to bring you the Best in American Living Awards. Celebrating more than 20 years of design, creativity, passion and vision in the home building industry. Winners exemplify the best home designs available in markets throughout the country. BALA is organized in 41 categories arranging from single family, custom, attached, rental, community, smart growth as well as interior design categories.

The Best in American Living Award design competition is open to builder, architects, designers, developers, land planners and interior designers nationwide.

Entries are judged by a panel of judges, design professionals, marketing experts, land planners and editors representing all regions.

BALA thanks the judges for their time and commitment to the program.

**BALA Judges**

- Armando Cobo**  
Armando Cobo Designer, Albuquerque, NM
- Cheryl O'Brien**  
C. O'Brien Architects, Bala Cynwyd, Pa
- Darcy Garneau,**  
EDI Architects, Houston, TX
- Barry Glantz**  
Glantz & Associates, St. Louis, MO
- Patty Carmichael**  
John Laing Luxury, Newport Beach, CA
- Carol Lavender**  
Lavender Design Group, San Antonio, TX
- Sarah Dreo**  
Lita Dirks & Co., Englewood, Colo.
- Rita Williams**  
Merchandisingplus, Jacksonville, Fla.
- Kent DeReus**  
Orren Pickell, Lincolnshire, Ill.
- Rick Leach**  
Paragon Construction, Hilton Head Island, SC
- Heather McCune**  
Professional Builder, Oak Brook, Ill.
- Dennis Rodriguez**  
SheaHomes Colorado, Denver, Colo.



**Interior Design Judges**

- Jessica Garcia**  
Des-Syn, Atlanta
- Stacia Nash**  
Kathy Andrews Interiors, Houston, TX
- Mary Cook**  
Mary Cook & Associates, Chicago

**Smart Growth Judges**

- Elton Parsons,** Builders Inc
- Robin Ward,** Municipality of Anchorage
- Ed Tombari,** NAHB Staff
- Douglas Gilliland,** The Triwest Group, Inc.

**HUD Judges**

- Andrea Vrankar**  
HUD Cleveland Office
- Stephen D. Shelley**  
HUD Chicago Office
- Jody Beck**  
New Jersey Institute of Technology  
Newark, NJ



# 1 Platinum

**Category:** Best Neighborhood 151 units and over  
**Project Name:** Habersham  
**Location:** Beaufort, SC  
**Designer/Architect:** Multiple Companies  
**Builder:** Multiple Companies  
**Developer:** Habersham Architects & Designers, Beaufort, SC  
**Land Planner:** DP2, Huntersville, NC



platinum award - best american neighborhood

best in american living

awarded to:

**HABERSHAM**

CATEGORIES  
SINGLE-FAMILY  
DETACHED HOMES  
BUILT FOR SALE

ATTACHED HOMES  
BUILT FOR SALE

ONE-OF-A-KIND  
CUSTOM HOMES

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

RENTAL

COMMUNITY DESIGN

SMART GROWTH

HUD SECRETARY'S AWARD  
FOR EXCELLENCE

INTERIOR DESIGN:  
KITCHEN

INTERIOR DESIGN:  
BATH

INTERIOR DESIGN:  
SPECIALTY ROOM

INTERIOR DESIGN:  
DETAIL



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