



## **Dryden Abernathy Architecture Design**

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### **Overview:**

Firm partners Nick Dryden and John Abernathy joined forces in 2002 to create DA|AD. Nick and John share a passion for insuring that great design is not sacrificed in the name of functionality or budget. They firmly believe all three objectives can be achieved through careful planning and execution. By keeping these goals in the forefront, DA|AD has established itself as one of the leading boutique design firms in the Southeast.

### **Recent Recognition:**

#### **2010**

- Excellence Award for 12th & Paris mixed-use development from the AIA Tennessee Chapter
- Urban Land Institute Excellence in Development Award of Excellence for West End Station

#### **2009**

- Featured in Nashville Business Journal article “Designed for tough times” in January 2009
- Urban Land Institute Excellence in Development Award of Excellence for Summer Street Lofts
- Honor for Outstanding Preservation by the Historical Commission of Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County for the addition and renovation of the Old Ezell House for Baron+Dowdle Construction Company
- Co-curated art show (with Caroline Allison) at Zeitgeist: I THOUGHT OUR WORLDS WERE THE SAME

#### **2008**

- Merit Award for Summer Street Lofts from the American Institute of Architects Gulf States Region (only Tennessee firm to receive regional recognition)
- Honor Award from the American Institute of Architects Tennessee for Stir Fry Cafe in Johnson City, Tennessee (in association with Allen N. Dryden Architects)
- Merit Award Recognized from the American Institute of Architects Tennessee for Summer Street Lofts
- Honor Award from the Masonry Institute of Tennessee for Summer Street Lofts
- Merit Award from the Masonry Institute of Tennessee for the Ryan Residence
- Honor for Outstanding Preservation by the Historical Commission of Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County for Summer Street Lofts
- Voted “Best Architect” in the 2008 Nashville Scene Best of Nashville Reader’s Poll

#### **2007**

- Honor Award from American Institute of Architects, Middle Tennessee for Summer Street Lofts
- Honor for Outstanding Preservation by the Historical Commission of Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County for the addition and renovation of the Williams Residence
- The Martin Residence, in Brentwood, Tennessee, featured in the book [Urban Country Style](#)
- The West Eastland named a Finalist in *Multi-Housing News* magazine’s Urban Infill category
- Governor’s Environmental Stewardship Award in the Building Green Category for Morgan Park Place
- Commissioned to design and build “Shhhhhhh...,” an outdoor exhibit at Cheekwood Botanical Garden based on the book [The Secret Garden](#)

#### **2006**

- Featured in the Urban Land Institute’s *Multi-Family Trends* magazine in an article about mid-market housing across the country
- Germantown Court was highlighted in the Urban Land Institute’s *Multi-Family Trends* magazine as one of the “Top Ten Multi-Family Developments in the Nation”