CTC&G

Connecticut Cottages and Gardens

COTTAGESGARDENS.COM | JANUARY 2018

HOBI AWARDS

The KITCHEN Issue

CONNECTICUT COTTAGES & GARDENS | JANUARY 2018

COTTAGESGARDENS.COM

Honoring Builders

A celebration of the latest HOBI award–winning homes

BY CATRIONA BRANCA

THE HOME BUILDERS & REMODELERS ASSOCIATION OF Connecticut's Home Building Industry Awards (known as the HOBIs) honor talented builders and remodelers—those mostly behind-the-scenes folks who are essential to bringing a vision to fruition. This year's awards were the largest to date with a record-breaking crowd of more than 875 at the awards dinner held at the Aqua Turf Club in Plantsville. Here, we showcase a sampling of winners. To see more photos of these projects, go to *cottagesgardens.com/hobis2017*. For a complete list of winners, go to *hbact.org/hobiawards*.

WOODRUFF BROWN PHOTOGRAPHY

Significant Homes

BEST CUSTOM HOME 10,000–12,000 SQUARE FEET, CUSTOM HOME OF THE YEAR

Reminiscent of a Normandy manor house, this 10,000-square-foot waterfront estate has varying roof geometries unified by complementary pitches and flares as well as the variegated reds of the clay tile roof. The landscape and rear elevation includes extensive gardens, terraces, timber barn and pergola. The great room boasts handhewn rafters, oak ceiling and oversized arch-top French doors and casement windows. The main stair follows rectilinear walls along the grand foyer but each riser sweeps inward toward the dramatic curved closed stringer with ornamental ironwork railing, black walnut handrail, complemented by a muted checkered-marble floor. (Douglas VanderHorn Architects)