

From the community: Katherine Elizabeth Designs Wins 3 Awards Including IWCE Designer of the Year



Katherine Wozniak, Principal, Katherine Elizabeth Designs and Grace McNamara, President, Window Fashion VISION Magazine
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BARRINGTON, IL (March 28, 2019) The 2019 International Window Coverings Expo, held in Nashville, TN, from March 8 to 10 honored local designer Katie Wozniak and her firm, Katherine Elizabeth Designs with three first place awards. The awards included best Combination Treatment, best in Decorative Hardware and Trimmings and the highly coveted 2019 Visions IWCE Excellence Award Designer of the Year. Wozniak had this to say about winning. "I am incredibly honored to be recognized by the IWCE for all three awards. The unique aspect of window treatments is that they fulfill both a practical and personal role in a home. On one hand, they ensure privacy and diffuse light. On the other hand, they create important layers of warmth, personality and dimension. After starting with functionality, I can run the gamut with color, texture, trim,

without just the right window treatments. Then to be recognized by this national organization is a dream come true. "

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This highly competitive show had a record number of over 3,000 attendees and was both a forum for competition, new product introductions and education. There were dozens of expo floor demonstrations and seminars-often with standing room only. Some of the most sought-after educators in the industry explored topics such as selling and installing motorized window treatments, business management and growth, digital marketing, sales techniques and the links between fashion and design. In addition, the annual VISION Design & Workroom Competition Awards and the Window Coverings Manufacturers Association (WCMA) Product Innovation Awards showcased the best of the best in window coverings.

"We could not be more pleased with the outcome of this year's show," said Grace McNamara, show producer since 1997. "We had many first-time attendees and exhibitors, as well as those who come every year because it's always a great investment for them. There is no other gathering exclusively for window fashion professionals available at this level, so people realize the value of the show. Everyone had a terrific time exploring Music City. Overall, this event was a huge success-our best show in 10 years."

Katherine Elizabeth Designs has been designing homes and businesses around the country for over 13 years-helping customers create extraordinary spaces that fit their unique style and goals.

KED offers comprehensive design services for everything from architectural renderings and space planning to lighting design, award-winning window treatments and fine art.

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