



Margulies & Associates Wins Lighting Design Award

Firm honored for work at The State Room



BOSTON, Mass. – August 28, 2006 – Margulies & Associates, one of Boston’s most innovative architectural and interior design firms, announced today that the firm’s work for The State Room was honored by the New England Section of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA), the recognized technical authority on illumination.

As the premier social event location in Boston, The State Room overlooks the Boston skyline, offering spectacular views from the 33rd floor. The lighting design concept was selected to match the elegance and sophistication of the Harborside Ballroom. “Sophistication and style without being too trendy” was one of the judge’s comments regarding The State Room.

At the floor level, the plan functions as a “blank slate” for styling each unique event. The dramatic statement is reserved for the ceiling plane. In the lobby area, concentric elliptical ceiling sections are bordered by tiny star-like glass lights, which flank an Italian chandelier of hand-blown crystal and gold ribbons.

“Creating an ethereal atmosphere while conforming to State Energy Codes can be a challenge. To achieve both objectives, we used fluorescent lights sleeved in colored gels to produce a “sunset” glow above the ceiling,” commented Project Manager Jennifer Latto, NCIDQ and

Associate AIA, of Margulies & Associates. Lighting in each of the salons radiates through an exciting new product: a semi-translucent ceiling that gives the appearance of undulating waves, allowing for a soft glow throughout the entire space.

The International Illumination Design Awards (IIDA) program of the IESNA provides a unique opportunity for public recognition of professionalism, ingenuity, and originality in lighting design based upon the individual merit of each entry judged against specific criteria. Judges are selected from a broad professional spectrum that represents knowledge of lighting and design excellence. The judging system is based entirely on how well the lighting design does or does not meet the program criteria.

About Margulies & Associates

Now in its 18th year of operation, Margulies & Associates is a Boston design firm providing architecture and interior design services to the corporate, institutional, and real estate communities. The firm's corporate clients include Liberty Mutual, Partners Healthcare, Forrester Research, RSA Security, Akamai Technologies, and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts. For more information, please visit www.margulies.com/.

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