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### **IAPMO Communications Staff Wins Three Communicator Awards**

**Ontario, Calif. (June 4, 2010)** — Members of the marketing and communications staff of the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials (IAPMO) have been named recipients of three Awards of Distinction from the International Academy of the Visual Arts for entries in the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Communicator Awards.

The awards recognize the staff's efforts in promoting IAPMO and the plumbing and mechanical industries through various media, including OFFICIAL magazine and more recently developed Websites.

Senior Writer Geoff Bilau earned an Award of Distinction in Technical Writing for his article titled "How Accreditation Could Have Prevented an Outbreak of SARS" and Bilau joined fellow OFFICIAL co-editor Jeff Ortiz and writer/designer Tim den Hartog in winning an Award of Distinction for the overall design of the Spring 2009 issue of OFFICIAL.

Especially noteworthy is den Hartog's recognition as editor of IAPMO's Green Newsletter, winner of an Award of Distinction in the category of Green/Eco-Friendly Website. The award represents a first for an IAPMO-produced online publication.

Gaby Davis, IAPMO senior director of Worldwide Operations, said: "I couldn't be more proud of these gentlemen. The work they do in delivering news to the industry is second to none."

The Communicator Awards is the leading international awards program honoring creative excellence for communications professionals. The 2010 Communicator Awards received more than 7,000 entries from companies and agencies of all sizes, making it the largest and most prestigious award of its kind.

The Award of Distinction is given to those entries that exceed industry standards in quality and achievement.

The Communicator Awards is sanctioned and judged by the International Academy of the Visual Arts, an invitation-only body consisting of top-tier professionals from a "Who's Who" of acclaimed media, communications, advertising, creative and marketing firms.

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