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## **BEMA Announces 2006-2007 Design Awards Winners**

The Bath Enclosure Manufacturers Association (BEMA) is pleased to announce the winners of its 11th Annual Design Awards Competition. Dave Cerne, with Advanced Shower Doors of Baptistown, New Jersey and Bill Daubmann of Mr. Shower Door of Naples, Florida received the honors this year with their entries in the Glass Under 3/8" and Glass 3/8" and Over categories respectively. The two will be honored at BEMA's Annual Membership Meeting, September 11, 2007 in Atlanta, Georgia in conjunction with GlassBuild America: The Glass, Window & Door Expo.

BEMA president Doug Powell, Coral Industries, stated, "It is exciting to see this tradition continue and showcase the creative work being done in this industry. Creativity and design is clearly reflected in each entry we received. There is tremendous work being done and all of this year's entries demonstrate how today's dealers are focusing more on consumer needs. "

Dave Cerne, with Advanced Shower Doors of Baptistown, New Jersey is this year's winner in the Glass under 3/8" category. Cerne acknowledged, "The door was originally designed for 1/2 inch glass but stretched into the budget of the homeowners so 5/16 inch clear glass was selected. The customer did not want a traditional header system to keep shower stable, so we clamped a fixed transom over the door and uv-welded the 3 stationary panels together to perform just like a header while providing excellent stability."

In the Glass 3/8" and Over category, Bill Daubmann of Mr. Shower Door of Naples, Florida is thrilled to have won this award. "The owners of this beachfront condominium wanted to achieve a feeling of openness, as well as the convenience of his and her entry ways. To accomplish this, we enclosed almost the entire shower area in 1/2 inch clear glass, with the exception of one small area that housed the shower fixtures, Daubmann stated. To maintain a clean look, we used the CHMI mini clip system, as well as the Pivot 1 hinge system. These were key elements in honoring the customer's wishes."

This year's judging panel of industry editors and designers were, Matt Slovick, Glass Magazine, David Newton, David Newton & Associates, Ellen Girard, US Glass, Fernando Diaz, ASID, Fernando Diaz & Associates, and Donna Vining, FASID, Vining Design Associates. All entries were completed between July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007. In its 11th year, the awards program recognizes and rewards exceptional bathroom design that uses a shower or tub enclosure in place of a shower curtain. The program was established to allow the companies that manufacture bath enclosure components recognition for the creative uses of their products. The winners will receive travel expenses to attend the BEMA Annual Meeting and GlassBuild America. To view all the entries and winning designs visit [www.bathenclosures.org](http://www.bathenclosures.org).

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