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LHB Receives AIA Merit Award for the Nordic Skiing Timing Shed

Minneapolis, MN (June 13, 2012) On June 21, 2012, LHB will receive a 2012 American Institute of Architects (AIA) Minneapolis Merit Award for the design of the Nordic Skiing Timing Shed located at Wirth Park in Minneapolis. The Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, along with the City of Lakes Nordic Ski Foundation, commissioned this building specifically for the Junior Olympic Nordic Ski Championships at Theodore Wirth Park in 2011.

This simple and lightweight structure was designed by Bruce Cornwall, AIA, to allow clear views of the start/finish area by timing judges and race officials, add to the festive spirit of competition, and complement the natural beauty of the park. In addition, the building is mobile, sitting on large tubular “skis” to allow race organizers to relocate the stadium area depending on the configuration of the race course. The building was designed to be “off the grid,” and was built in less than 30 days--just in time for the event, which was noted by many as one of the best Junior Olympics ever held. Since the Junior Olympics, the moveable shed has been used for many other races including professional Super Tour races, the Mayor’s Challenge, and the International Paraplegic Nordic Ski Championships.

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