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DESIGN TEAM WINS AWARD AT YOUNG ARCHITECTS AWARDS GALA

DENVER, CO -- The **Colorado Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA Colorado)** presented **Kai Fishman, Melisa Pezuk, and Julie Roberts-Evans** with an honorable mention award at the **Fifth Annual Young Architects Awards Gala**. RNL's **Anthony Mazzeo**, Senior Associate/Landscape Architect, and **David Morris**, Associate Principal/Senior Designer, were the design team's mentors and design critics throughout the process. The RNL design team was recognized in the Individual / Team Architectural Project category for their submittal called Alluvion, a streetscape entry for a design competition, located in downtown Central City.

Held at the Museum of Contemporary Art, the event featured 10 award categories where students, architectural interns and young architects, who are licensed for less than 10 years, competed using this year's theme of IMAGINE: community. The entries were judged on the quality of the submitted material with regard to the project program, design intent, creativity, execution and comprehension. Some of the jury comments on Alluvion included the following, "This project is delightful. The research and work are presented as something fresh and exciting, making the presentation just as thrilling to go through as it must have been for the designers to work through the project."

As the Central City business district is in strict competition for gaming business with neighboring Black Hawk, the purpose of Alluvion was to focus Central City on a non-competitive business segment. The idea was to promote the area as a unique outdoor gathering space for visual and performing arts and to encourage redevelopment of Central City as an artist's center of the Colorado Front Range. Site visits were conducted by the team to determine the spirit of the area as it exists as well as potential development by conducting research on the general history, geography, demographics and ecology.

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