

Thorburn Associates and Gallegos Lighting Announce Partnership

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Thorburn Associates (TA) and Gallegos Lighting (GL) announced joining forces to offer an expanded range of specialty architectural design services. Both companies bring considerable experience and resources to the alliance. Thorburn Associates is a leading provider of acoustical design, audiovisual design and technical systems design, founded by Lisa Thorburn and Steve Thorburn in 1992. Gallegos Lighting is a top design/production firm established by Pat Gallegos in 1983. The Thorburn/Gallegos partnership will serve architects and developers creating facilities, compelling places and experiences for a variety of markets including education, health care, leisure and entertainment, museums, worship, government, restaurants, retail, and high-end residential.

“We welcome Pat Gallegos and the Gallegos Lighting team to Thorburn Associates,” says Steve Thorburn, founder and principal of TA. “Having an accomplished, reputable and versatile lighting designer on our team complements our existing line of services and the needs of our clients. Thorburn Associates has been looking for some time to expand its services in this direction. Pat’s firm is an ideal fit, bringing some 30 years of experience, ability, industry connections and a strong work ethic.”

Pat Gallegos, founder and principal at Gallegos Lighting, states, “I am very pleased to partner with a company of the caliber of Thorburn Associates. There is real synergy between us and our range of disciplines. My new partners understand the value of top level design, and they appreciate the unique technical and aesthetic intricacies of working with a project director to create a space using the amorphous qualities of light. What it boils down to is both firms are passionate about doing quality designs and helping our clients create successful projects.”

Pat Gallegos and Steve Thorburn are both active in the leadership of the Themed Entertainment Association (TEA). Gallegos is a past president of TEA, and Thorburn is sitting president.

Gallegos Lighting clients have included: Walt Disney Imagineering, Busch Entertainment, Legoland, Universal Studios, Caesars Palace, Foxwoods Casino, Penn National/Argosy Resorts, MGM Grand Las Vegas, Gaylord Hotels, Peabody Hotel, Amgen, and Intel. Thorburn Associates and Gallegos Lighting will operate from existing offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Raleigh Durham, NC while also expanding to Orlando and Santa Fe.

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