ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD (Review Committee Chair Award)

GOYAMAYA CROSS BASE (Fukusuka Prefecture)
Y+ Architects, Nakagawa City, Fukusuka Forest Association; Kozi & Co., Ltd; Kyumonko Co., Ltd / Architecture & Space

The building features bollards that harmonize with the surrounding landscape, as well as large stairs with gentle curves, giving the building a soft image as a safety feature for getting closer to nature. A facility that connects the city and nature, it produces a strong sense of belonging for people who live in their everyday lives.

CHILDREN CENTER OF MIRISE SORA (Hyogo Prefecture)

The space under the eaves and the rooftop of the wood-tree center building provides open places where children can play without obstruction. In harmony with the surrounding historical buildings and landscape, this building enables the original role as a children's center which you just want to run around in, making full use of advanced technology and materials.

Robust sugi (Japanese cedar) kitchen rack series

Dinos Ceste Co., Ltd.; Mitaka Industry Co., Ltd / Wood Products

It is the best product to introduce a life with trees while aiming to achieve both the special feeling of wood and ease of use with a reasonable price. Consideration is also given to details such as running corners, so that they are safe for families with children.

CHIBA NO KI GOSHUNCHO (A stamp-book to collect red ink stamps from shrines and temples)

Yamair Takeghi / Wood Products

Goshuncho stamp books made with Sanyuugiku (Japanese cedars). The novel idea of making this kind of products only with wood is interesting. Japanese ink and red seals also have vivid colors, so they are excellent items of functionality. It offers a clever mixture of modern trends and the practical use of local materials.

Frame system “Octagonal”

Itoki Corporation / Wood Products

An ambitious attempt to bring the freedom of wood design to offices and other facilities. As the cloud computing progresses and work styles diversify, various facilities and places will be able to utilize systems that can freely lay out wood spaces.

JST MFG. Co., Ltd. Nagoya Engineering Center Annex - Kofuchi (Aichi Prefecture)

Atelier KISHITA, JST MFG. Co., Ltd.; Hatanaka KIYOMITsu Co., Ltd.; Kozi & Co., Ltd / Architecture & Space

Architecture will leave the design of a beautiful wooden lattice panel engraved in your memory. While providing the comfort of wood in places where people do not walk, such as the manufacturer’s test room, the architecture itself has succeeded in becoming a new way of informing people about the company's sustainable efforts.

KUMIKA

Hirasuka Kenchiku Co., Ltd. / Wood Products

Beautiful furniture like a wooden mosaic that combines various spaces of small-diameter trees without using hardware. While wood grain is visible, the wood is also provides functionality, such as being lightweight. The stool is rich in design and also makes you aware of the value of forest resources.

Gas cartridge cover (Tsukinu)

KOKAJOE, Studio Kim / Wood Products

A wooden cover for gas cartridges used in camping lamps. The simple texture fits the atmosphere at camp site in the great outdoors. It is a product with full of ideation of how to care about feelings of users, making them more pleasant by adding the charm of wood to familiar items.

Toy House

Maudu Kiribakoten, Product Planning Office Triunit / Wood Products

Wooden toys that look like works of art, like jadeite that makes use of the kiln (glazed tile) manufacturing technique. With its elaborate construction and the simple form of the material, it is finished as a toy that induces creativity and you will have them to use. Various shapes are possible depending on the combination, and it is an excellent product as a first toy that you can assemble three-dimensionally.

Aroma Oil Blender (Japanese wood edition)

AT-AROMA Co., Ltd / Communication

A machine that blends the aroma of 15 species of indigenous trees for you to experience it in your own space. The proposal of this system is to appeal the charm of trees to your five senses, and to provide the experience of woods originally. It connects the world of aromatherapy which is usually difficult to create your favorite fragrances and the depth of the various Japanese tree species.

KAMISU BOUSAI ARENA (Ibaraki Prefecture)

Kamisu City, Joint Venture between Shimizu Corporation and Aomori Sekishi Co., Ltd.; Joint Venture between Shimizu Corporation and Taisei Construction Co., Ltd / Architecture & Space

A huge wood space realized by utilizing structural steel materials reinforced with wood. The space also has impact and provides a sense of security as a multi-purpose facility that functions as a regional disaster prevention facility. The exterior design is also in harmony with the scenery of the adjacent park, and further emphasizing its beauty.

Office Building of KAYAC Inc. Research and Development Building and Bokura no Kaihouto (Our Conference Building) (Kanagawa Prefecture)

KAYAC Inc.; SUPPOSE DESIGN OFFICE Co., Ltd; TEKTONECA INC.; ikiuu, Kiensetu Co., Ltd.; Shetler Co., Ltd / Architecture & Space

This is an attempt to create an office space that is in harmony with the surrounding area with many residential houses. The space has a good sense of scale that connects the business district and the surrounding residential area. The exposed wood in this space is realized through the use of fire resistant wood, which creates a dignified atmosphere.

Mokuku and programming education [MOCK UP Programming Class]

Takada Forestry, Inc.; Uchiko Town, Uchiko Forestry Co., Ltd / Communication

The unprecedented idea of using programming education and the field of forestry required at schools, focusing ahead to the future where ICT and forestry are approaching, this can be expected to expand as an advanced program of human resource development for smart forestry.

The construction plan of “LOOPS50”, a city that lives with forests

Obayashi Corporation / Communication

We evaluated this work as an ambitious attempt at a back-casting type scenario workshop. Although the context is from the viewpoint of forest resource circulation in 50 years, we hope that this will be an opportunity to evoke a variety of discussions.

Air Kannu (Wood Planner)

C&I’s Corporation, Grandline Inc. / Technology and Research

A unique technology to remove deteriorated layers of wood surfaces with wood, and has a high social value as it can be used with everything from historical buildings to wood decks. It can be evaluated as contributing to the utilization of thickened wood, and the long life of wooden buildings, and as promoting the reuse of wood in the interior of buildings.

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