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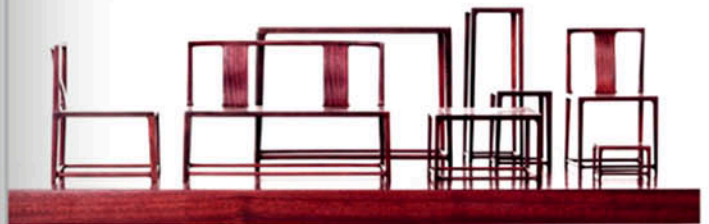
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PLAYING FAVORITES

We asked a few of this year's HD Award winners to pick their most beloved products in the hospitality realm.



— **Honglei Liu, Partner, BLVD International Inc., Shenzhen, China**
Winner: Luxury/Upscale Hotel and Luxury/Upscale Public Space, *Edry Royal Garden Hotel, Hailou*

Chinese designer Jiang Qiong Er created the Shang Xia furniture line in collaboration with the Hermès Group, and Liu is smitten with the results.

In particular, she loves the handcrafted Tian Di collection including a table, chairs, benches, and stools. Based on traditional Ming furniture construction principles, each Tian Di selection is ergonomically designed and treated to prevent warping. "It's one of my absolute favorite collections of wooden furniture manufactured in China," says Liu. "The pieces are all inspired by traditional Chinese art and interpreted in a contemporary manner to fit into today's modern interiors." shangxia.com



— **Dan Menchons and Keith Rushbrook, Partners, II BY IV Design, Toronto**
Winner: Judges Award for Distinctive Cruise Design, *Crystal Cruises Serenity Cabins and Penthouses*

1. "Fusion wood panels from Architectural Systems Inc. are made from reclaimed wine barrels, and sometimes you can see the vineyard names. We love their sustainability as well as the texture and coloration that comes from the natural wine stains." archsystems.com

2. "Eli's beautiful, high-quality Silk Orchid rug collection has amazing luster and gives (stago) a contemporary use. There's a romantic story behind each piece." elie.com

3. "Casamania's Rememberme chair is a fun way to repurpose clothing. You can even use your own, as you never have to let go of your favorites." casamania.it