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SBCA Innovation Grant People's Choice Solution for 2024 Announced

IRVING, TX - October 15, 2024 - Last week, each of the five SBCA Innovation Grant Finalists exhibited at BCMC in Milwaukee, WI, October 7-11, 2024. Over the course of the two-day show, attendees had the opportunity to speak with and learn from each of the finalists in their booths and cast their vote for who they believed should be named the SBCA Innovation Grant People's Choice Solution for 2024. The winner was announced at the end of BCMC during the Industry Celebration on Thursday, October 10th, with the people choosing Paragon's D.A.N. software solution as the SBCA Innovation Grant People's Choice Solution for 2024.

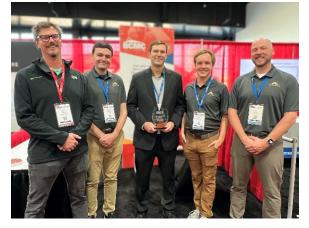


"It was an incredible honor for Paragon to participate in this year's SBCA

Innovation Grant and receive the award for People's Choice Solution for 2024," says John Holland, President & CEO of Paragon. "Accepting the award with my brother in memory of our late father, Dan, made the moment especially meaningful—we know he would have been proud. I also enjoyed seeing the impressive innovations from the other finalists, and I'm excited about the future direction of our industry."

A big congratulations to Paragon for this accomplishment and award!

Paragon D.A.N. (Design Automation Neural network), a cloud-based SaaS (software as a service) for wood trusses,



offers fast, scalable, and flexible performance directly from any web browser, without manual installations or updates. With the software being accessible from any device via a web browser, the software's performance is not limited by the device's computing power, but rather relies on Paragon's cloud servers for computationally-intensive data processing. As the world's first artificially intelligent truss design engine, Paragon D.A.N. automates the truss design process by using the power of the cloud to quickly find the most efficient design among the near infinite number of possible truss configurations. This product has been in the works since Paragon's establishment in 2016. The Paragon team was excited to exhibit at BCMC and officially launch

the Paragon D.A.N. platform at the show.

To learn more about this innovation and Paragon, visit: www.paragontruss.com.

Thank you to all of the SBCA Innovation Grant Finalists: having been selected as finalists out of over twenty applicants, the finalists are all winners and are making a difference in this industry. We appreciate your participation in the 2024 Grant program, your hard work for and dedication to this industry, and for exhibiting at BCMC 2024. We look forward to seeing what you do next with your innovations!

Congratulations to the SBCA Innovation Grant Finalists:









Twinbuild LVM by CrowdBuild

MiTek Truss Validator

Universal Truss AI by Q4US

To learn more about the SBCA Innovation Grant, visit: https://www.sbcacomponents.com/innovationgrant.

About SBCA

The Structural Building Components Association (SBCA) is a trade association representing manufacturers of structural building components. Its membership also includes truss plate suppliers, original equipment manufacturers and resellers, computer software companies, lumber suppliers, builders, and professional individuals in various fields, including engineering, marketing, and management. SBCA provides services its membership needs to continue expanding the market share of all structural building components by promoting the common interests of those engaged in manufacturing trusses, wall panels, and related structural components; to ensure growth, continuity, and increased professionalism, which will strengthen the structural building component manufacturing industry's influence.

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