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## North Branch Construction earns merit award at 2023 ABC NH/VT Excellence in Construction Awards

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Summit on Juniper - Lebanon, NH

Lebanon, NH North Branch received an Award of Merit for the Summit on Juniper project in the residential over \$1 million category at the 2023 ABC NH/VT Excellence in Construction Awards gala held at the DoubleTree Hilton in Manchester. Project manager James Schwartzkopf accepted the award on behalf of North Branch Construction and was joined onstage by North Sturtevant of JSA Design, the project architect, and North Branch Construction project superintendent Rick Bouchard.

Shown (from left) are; James Schwartzkopf, Rick Bouchard and North Sturtevant.

Summit on Juniper, developed by Michaels Student Living, LLC to provide graduate student housing for Dartmouth College, has also been awarded LEED Gold status by the U.S. Green Building Council and is certified for the EPA Energy Star v. 3.1 program. The project included 4, four-story apartment buildings providing 309 units with 628 beds featuring unit configurations of one-bed, two-bed, three-bed, and four-bedroom floor plans. Each apartment building also provides student study, gathering, and fitness spaces, as well as bicycle and additional resident storage space. A

central clubhouse provides community gathering spaces, fitness facilities, mail and package delivery service areas, work and office space for resident use, and an onsite management office for Michaels Student Living, LLC. The project also included the construction of an operations building providing work area and storage space for the facility's maintenance team.

JSA Design of Portsmouth, was the architectural design firm on the project and Vanasse Hangen Brustlin (VHB) of Bedford, provided civil and landscape engineering services.

ABC Excellence in Construction Award winners are determined by an independent panel of judges based on execution of design, craftsmanship, attention to detail, safety, and other considerations. The competition includes Awards of Merit and Excellence in several categories including electrical, mechanical, commercial, institutional, industrial, and design-build.

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