

Lighting specialist awarded for work on bridge

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Photo: Robert Daniels

Miami lighting specialist Robert Daniels has won an Illumination Award of Merit from the Illuminating Engineering Society for his work lighting up in blue the historic 10th Street Bridge in Great Falls.

The award was one of at least two prizes bestowed upon lighting projects in Montana.

Daniels was among 271 lighting professionals to receive the Award of Merit from the professional group. Daniels has been invited to collect his award Nov. 15 at the society's annual conference in Seattle.

"We're just very honored," said Arlyne Reichert, treasurer of Preservation Cascade, the group that saved the bridge from demolition. "People just love it lit at night."

Lighting of the bridge was completed in late 2007. Reichert said comments about the bridge lighting have been very positive.

The organization also listed a 2009 Award of Merit to a District of Columbia lighting expert who designed lighting at Lewis & Clark Caverns State Park west of Three Forks.

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New lighting for the Paradise Room in the caverns was designed by Frank Florentine of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., according to a Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks news release in 2007.

Lighting designed by Florentine included the latest in cavelighting techniques and programmable LED lighting

to help bring out the true, rich colors of the caverns. The project took two years to complete, the agency said.

Lighting in the caverns had been installed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s.