

## AIANC COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT (COTE) AWARDS



### Blue Ridge Parkway Destination Center

Lord, Aeck & Sargent, Inc.

Project location: Asheville, NC

The center's mission is to orient visitors to the history, culture and resources of the Parkway and surrounding region, while demonstrating high-performance, ecological design. The Parkway has more diversity of habitat, supports more species and records more recreational visits than any other National Park. Just as the Parkway was designed to reinforce the region's ecological, geological and cultural features for families and groups traveling by cars, buses and campers, the Destination Center was designed to reinforce the same features through a visibly-sustainable, innovative and enduring building with a minimal ecological footprint. These comprehensive efforts resulted in LEED Gold certification. Photo © 2009, Jonathan Hillyer



### Golden Belt Mill

Belk Architecture

Project location: Durham, NC

Golden Belt Mill is an adaptive re-use renovation of a century old historic textile and printing mill, listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The project size is 155,000 square feet, and approximate project value is 26 million dollars. Located in East Durham, the complex of 6 distinct mill buildings has been carefully restored to National Park Service standards, creating a vibrant, mixed-use, arts-focused campus that includes live/work residential loft apartments, artist studios, office and retail space, restaurants, and a music venue. The project is LEED registered, and is completing Gold level certification. Photo © 2009 Scientific Properties