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A man walks toward the newly remodeled SITE Santa Fe on Wednesday.
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SITE Santa Fe remodel wins architecture prize

SHoP Architects, based in New York City, won the \$10,000 Jeff Hamar Award for Contemporary Architecture for the recent SITE Santa Fe remodel in the Santa Fe Railyard.

The SITE project, a 10,000-square-foot expansion, was completed in the fall. It includes a dramatic perforated-aluminum “prow” that cantilevers about 60 feet out from the new front entrance. The remodel also added a climate-controlled gallery, an education space, a 200-seat auditorium and a gathering space, the Sky Terrace mezzanine.

SHoP Architects is famous for the Barclays Center Arena in Brooklyn, 111 W. 57th St. (the Steinway Tower) in Manhattan, and the Uber headquarters in San Francisco. This was the firm’s first museum project.

The Harnar Award, named for the late Santa Fe architect Jeff Harnar, was founded by Garrett Thornburg and is managed by The University of New Mexico’s School of Architecture and Planning.

The competition this year also included awards for unbuilt designs. UNM student Darby Prendergast won the Harnar Unbuilt Architecture Award for his “Vertical Cemetery for Extinct Species.” The Surroundings Studio in Santa Fe won the Unbuilt Landscape Architecture Award for “Murchison Rogers Park,” designed for an El Paso site.