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**JOHN G. WAITE ASSOCIATES, ARCHITECTS HONORED BY THE 2008
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DOMES INTERIOR

ALBANY, NY – Work completed for the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, was cited for a “CITATION” by the 2008 American Institute of Architects New York State, Inc. Design Awards Jury. The award will be presented to **John G. Waite Associates, Architects PLLC (JGWA)** at the organizations annual convention in September in White Plains, NY.

As the first step in a comprehensive restoration of the Basilica, **JGWA** prepared a historic structure report, performing a comprehensive analysis through nondestructive evaluation and testing to measure existing conditions. With funding from the Getty Grant Foundation, **JGWA** also researched and created prototypical skylights and a nave window that were constructed to their original details.

As the first Roman Catholic cathedral in the United States, the Basilica of the Assumption, also known as the Baltimore Cathedral, is a major landmark in the history of religion in the U.S., and the architectural masterpiece of Benjamin Henry Latrobe, the architect of the U.S. Capitol.



AERIAL VIEW

John G. Waite, Sr. Principal of **JGWA** says, “The Basilica project was especially meaningful to our firm because it represents over 200 years of history. Countless notables have roamed the halls of the Basilica and we were thrilled to return the establishment to its former glory.”

John G. Waite Associates, Architects PLLC (JGWA)

JGWA is a leading consultant in the field of historic preservation architecture driven by a fundamental respect for historic buildings. The firm directs restoration, adaptive reuse, and new design for historic properties across the nation. **JGWA’s** team of architects, historic interiors specialists, and building materials conservators have extensive experience in applying sustainable design solutions and state-of-the-art preservation technology to buildings and environments.

American Institute of Architects (AIA)

Founded in 1931, the New York State Association of Architects, also known as AIA New York State, has a statewide membership of 6,000 members in 13 chapters and speaks for the interests of all registered architects in New York State. The Executive Office is headquartered in Albany, New York. Its parent organization is the American Institute of Architects (AIA).



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