



A stone wall protects a sunken pool and cabana from strong winds. Strategic openings in a wall allow focused views of the landscape.

Photo by Stuart Silk

Masonry award for Stuart Silk house

A Selah residence designed by Stuart Silk Architects took the Honor Award at the Excellence in Design Awards sponsored by the Masonry Institute of Washington. The 5,800-square-foot stone home is on a high plateau near Selah.

Designers said stone was selected for its durability, low-maintenance and beauty.

One of the judges, Robert Becker of Becker

Architects, said they appreciated how the home was integrated into the landscape and how it uses masonry in an elegant way. The home was featured in the winter 2007 issue of *Home* and *Architectural Trends* and *Trends Bathroom* magazines.

This is the third Excellence in Masonry Design award recently won by Stuart Silk Architects.