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Green Plumber of the Year Awards 2011

Sacramento, CA (10/12/11) – Green Plumbers USA is proud to present its Green Plumber of the Year Awards! The winners, judged on their community involvement, innovative projects and effective branding, were announced on October 6th at the WaterSmart Innovations Conference in Las Vegas. Because water conservation issues vary across climates, this year, Green Plumbers recognizes the following business leaders from around the country doing outstanding work in their respective regions.

Jamie Rogers of [Rogers Remodel, Inc.](#) in Novato, CA has been awarded the Green Plumber of the Year for the Western Region. Jamie has gone above and beyond by collaborating with community partners to install water catchment systems in two local schools for watering gardens and flushing toilets. Jamie calculated that he has saved 2.4million gallons of water this year in the Bay Area and has also promoted water conservation by serving on local job-building boards and green employment councils.

Andy Krause of [Thunder Hill Plumbing, Inc.](#) in North Carolina, winner for the Eastern Region, worked with the municipal water council to promote programs that reward customers for reducing their water usage. Andy is also a licensed Green Plumbers trainer and is committed to educating his community on the value of water conservation.

Bill Battles of [Village Plumbing, Inc.](#) in Cape Cod, Mass. has been awarded the Green Plumber of the Year for the Northern Region. Village Plumbing has installed green energy systems for several local Boys and Girls Clubs as well as the National Marine Life Center. For Bill, green plumbing is not only the way he does business, but it's also the way he lives his life. Bill lives sustainably on his wind- and solar- powered farm in Massachusetts.

Craig Woolheater of [Innerline Plumbing](#) in Dallas, Texas is the deserving winner of the Green Plumber of the Year for the Southern Region. Innerline Plumbing has partnered with non-profit organizations to install green plumbing technologies in local affordable housing. Craig also

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works with the city government and local task forces to green the city's facilities, promote green jobs, and educate the public.

And the 2011 National Green *Plumber* of the Year Award goes to John Smith of [The Arizona Green Plumbers](#) for the second year in a row! John has endeavored to promote green plumbing in every aspect of his business. His outreach and education efforts include a [YouTube video](#) about green plumbing and a book, [Plunging Into Green—One Plumber's Journey to Becoming a Water Hugger](#). John's book is being incorporated into the curriculum of a local high school, helping to educate the next generation about water conservation issues. In addition to professional outreach, John is very active in local charities and community projects, such as Habitat for Humanity. The Arizona Green Plumbers continue to offer top rate services to their customers, such as the installation of several gray water and home water filtration systems.



from left: John Smith, business partner Jim Snyder, and associates

Congratulations to all of this year's winners. Green *Plumbers* USA is proud to reward the work of those who are bridging the gap between green plumbing and the community in the interest of the environment.

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