

ANNOUNCING: 20 People to Know in construction in 2025

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Louisville Business First is spotlighting 20 professionals working in the region's construction industry in our next People to Know feature. Alistair Berg | Getty Images

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Even with a worrisome outlook for the U.S. economy, Louisville has a handful of exciting construction projects either under way or just completed.

LBF Reporter Piper Hansen had a close-up look at one recently with a tour of the UofL Health's \$186 million addition to the Downtown UofL Hospital, which is still under construction. The seven-story, 200,000-square-foot tower will include clinical space, operating rooms, a new lobby, gift shop, chapel, and waiting area among other features.

LBF also reported new details on the recently completed new luxury hotel, Hotel Bourré Bonne, which opened at 143 W. Market St. last week. The \$80 million hotel offers 168 rooms across five stories and features two restaurants, as we reported.

It's projects like these that help Louisville's economy grow and evolve. And they wouldn't be possible without the professionals in the local construction industry. With that, LBF is spotlighting 20 professionals working in the region's construction and related industries in our next People to Know feature. Several honorees came from nominations from peers and colleagues, and others were selected by Business First editors.

Profiles on each of the People to Know will be online and in print May 30. Here are the 20 honorees:

1. Lauren Aberili, Buffalo Construction
2. **Nicholas Morris, Buzick Construction, Inc.**
3. Seth Cook, Calhoun Construction Services
4. Travis Foxx, Cornerstone Engineering

5. Matt Zaryk, Denton Floyd Real Estate Group/Forge Construction
6. Andy Joy, East & Westbrook Construction
7. Carolyn Banet, Flynn Brothers
8. Robert Kochansky, LDG Development
9. Ricky George, Link Electric Co
10. Michael Bryant, LPX Group/PACE Contracting
11. Erik Dunham, Marian Construction
12. Micah McRae, McRae Enterprises
13. Kristy Inmon, Miranda Construction
14. Rich Heareth, Perfection Builders
15. Amy Dempsey Wagner, Reflections of You, by Amy
16. Christopher Manzo, SNDBX Design Collaborative
17. Haley Burge, Spray-Tec, Inc.
18. Ryan Jones, Weber Group
19. Cindy Mason, Wehr Constructors
20. Tom Young, Whittenberg Construction

People to Know connects the Louisville-area business community with influential people in key roles that are crucial to their businesses. People in this feature run the gamut from behind-the-scenes all-stars to key leaders to up-and-comers in the featured industry.

We've done similar lists for those working in sectors such as health care, real estate and accounting.