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**MAMA SHELTER HOTEL IN PARIS, NYC'S TKTS BOOTH, AND
FLIP VIDEO CAMERA AMONG WINNERS OF
TRAVEL + LEISURE'S FIFTH ANNUAL DESIGN AWARDS**

André Balazs Named T+L's 2009 Design Champion

New York, NY (February 4, 2009) – Mama Shelter, Paris; Delicatessen, NYC; and the Norma Kamali Collection for Wal-Mart are among the winners of the *Travel + Leisure* 2009 Design Awards which recognize standout design in 15 categories,* including hotels, restaurants, fashion, and luggage, featured on www.travelandleisure.com and in T+L's March issue, on newsstands February 20. Selected by a panel of judges including designer **Calvin Klein** and architect **Adam D. Tihany**, the winners will be honored at an event at the Fontainebleau Miami Beach on February 18. At the event, T+L's 2009 Design Champion recipient hotelier **André Balazs** will be accepting his award.

Travel + Leisure 2009 Design Award Winners

BEST LARGE HOTEL	Mama Shelter , Paris, France
BEST SMALL HOTEL	Hotel Aire de Bardenas , Tudela, Navarra, Spain
BEST SPA	Six Senses Hideaway Zighy Bay , Zighy Bay, Oman
BEST MUSEUM	CaixaForum , Madrid, Spain
BEST PUBLIC SPACE	TKTS Booth , New York City
BEST CULTURAL SPACE	National Opera House , Oslo, Norway
BEST AIRPORT	Beijing Capital International Airport, Terminal 3 , China
BEST BRIDGE	Jerusalem Light-Rail Train Bridge , Israel
BEST RESTAURANT	Delicatessen , New York City
BEST RETAIL SPACE	Puma City (various locations)
BEST LUGGAGE	Hydro Sports Water-Resistant Backpack. T-Tech by Tumi
BEST TRAVEL GADGET	Mino Flip Video Camera
BEST ECO TRAVEL GADGET	SteriPEN JourneyLCD Handheld Water Purifier
BEST TRAVEL FASHION	Trench Coat, Norma Kamali Collection for Wal-Mart
BEST ACCESSORY	Melissa Shoes
DESIGN CHAMPION	André Balazs

Travel + Leisure 2009 Design Award Honorable Mentions include: **Docks de Paris, La Cité de la Mode et du Design**, Paris, France (Museum); **The Final Home Jacket** (Travel Fashion); and **Y's Mandarin** (Luggage).

2009 Design Awards Jury: Preservationist **Laurie Beckelman**, graphic designer **Michael Bierut**, designer **Calvin Klein**, New Museum Director **Lisa Phillips**, architect **Adam D. Tihany**, and landscape designer **Edwina von Gal**.

* There are 15 categories, plus the annual T+L Design Champion award.

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