



Outdoor Space Builders Earns Multiple Industry Design Awards

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Outdoor Space Builders, a family-owned outdoor living contractor based in Oxford, has earned a series of manufacturer and industry honors recognizing its work in custom composite decking and louvered pergola systems. The recent recognition includes the StruXure Commercial Project of the Year 2024, the AZEK Deck Award, the Tiva Deck of the Month, and the 2025 Perfect Plug Champion designation, awarded for both craftsmanship and design.

The honors reflect a shift in how the company is positioned within the Connecticut market. Once known broadly as a general outdoor living contractor, Outdoor Space Builders now operates as a certified specialist in custom composite and PVC decking, with pergolas and other outdoor structures built around that core. The company is owned by Joe Mastersanti and completes its projects with fully in-house crews from its base at 11 Walter Ln in Oxford.

"The awards matter because they come from the manufacturers whose systems we install every day," said Joe Mastersanti, owner of Outdoor Space Builders. "They tell homeowners that the people building their deck have been measured against a real standard, not a sales claim."

Custom deck construction remains the foundation of the business. The company designs and builds residential and commercial decks in configurations that range from platform and multi-level to rooftop, pool and spa, curved, and cantilevered. Decking is installed in a full range of materials, including the composite and PVC systems at the center of the company's work, with framing engineered to each site using steel, aluminum, composite, and engineered lumber set on helical piers or concrete footings sized to the soil and the structure.

That technical range extends to the work that keeps a deck sound over time. Deck repair, rebuilds, additions, and inspections by certified inspectors address aging structures, while underdeck drainage systems convert the area beneath an elevated deck into dry, usable space for living, storage, or entertaining. Railings and lighting are planned as part of the original design rather than added later, which the company says helps the finished elements read as one cohesive build.

The certifications behind the work are central to the company's positioning. Outdoor Space Builders is a TimberTech Platinum Pro, a Deckstars Certified Pro, a Fortress Preferred Member, and a Feeney Certified Installer, and it holds Authorized StruXure Pergola Dealer, Equinox Pergola Dealer, and Four Season Sunrooms Dealer status. Those relationships give the company access to specific product lines and installation standards that carry through to each finished project.

Most projects begin with a deck and expand into a broader outdoor space. Rather than treating those elements as separate jobs, the company designs them together, integrating pergolas, patios, porches, sunrooms, and gazebos into a single plan anchored by the deck. Pergola work includes attached, freestanding, arched, and louvered styles, with motorized, manual, and fixed louvered models that let homeowners control sun and rain over a deck or patio.

The in-house model is a defining feature of how the company operates. Design consultation, 3D modeling, foundation, permit acquisition, framing, and finish are handled by the company's own teams, which Mastersanti credits for the consistency of the final result. Each completed deck is backed by a lifetime workmanship warranty.

Outdoor Space Builders is a family-owned outdoor living contractor based in Oxford, Connecticut, owned by Joe Mastersanti. With more than 30 years in business and over 3,000 completed projects, the company designs and builds custom composite and PVC decks and complete outdoor living spaces, including pergolas, patios, porches, sunrooms, and gazebos. It serves Oxford and the surrounding New Haven County region, including communities such as Southbury, Seymour, Middlebury, Beacon Falls, and Naugatuck, and

holds certifications including TimberTech Platinum Pro, Deckstars Certified Pro, Fortress Preferred Member, and Feeney Certified Installer.

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