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The 150,000-square-foot Student Center designed by Vines Architecture opened in October 2018 at N.C. A&T State University.

Architecture receives state award

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Vines Architecture was awarded the N.C. State Building Commission Certificate of Merit Award for Excellence in Project Implementation for NC A&T State University's new Student Center at the 38th annual State Construction Conference in Raleigh.

The 150,000-square-foot Student Center opened in October 2018 and now provides a variety of spaces related to the diverse programming in the building, including offices for student organizations and student government, individual and group study rooms, formal meeting rooms, two large multipurpose rooms, a formal ballroom, student ID convenience store and six food venues.

Victor Vines also was

awarded the N.C. Administration Office for Historically Underutilized Businesses Award for professional services in recognition of outstanding services and commitment to Diversity and Inclusion. This award recognizes professionals in the design and construction industry for their commitment to promoting diversity through working with MBE and WMBE organizations.

Vines Architecture has focused a majority of its design services to serve HBCU campuses and universities within the University of North Carolina System. It has recently completed the design of three residence halls on the campus of N.C. Central University through 100 through Design and Construction HUB organizations.

"I'm very moved by the awards presented to Vines Architecture," Vines said. "I am very grateful and appreciative of receiving such high honors from the state of North Carolina Building Commission. Vines Architecture will continue as a firm to do our best to support diversity and inclusion in the design and construction community profession to the utmost degree.

Vines is from Pinetops and resides in Raleigh. He is the son of Leah S. Vines and graduated from SouthWest Edgecombe High School in 1982 and continued his education at the N.C. State University School of Design. He achieved a bachelor's degree in environmentecture in 1990.

Prior to launching his own architecture firm in 2008, he was vice president of the Freelon Group for 14 years. To learn more about Vines Architecture. visit www.vinesarc.com.

The Merit Award for Excellence in Project Implementation is awarded to recognize the project coordination of both the design. firm and the construction company and the overall project implementation.

The State Building Commission has estabthe late Joe C. Vines. He lished the Annual Certificate of Merit Award Program in the spirit of recognizing companies that demonstrate the competencies and efforts necessary to realize excellence in the design and contal design in 1986 and a struction of projects for bachelor's degree in archi- the state of North Carolina.