

Award of Excellence

Project: **Grand America Hotel**

Salt Lake City, Utah USA

MIA Member Companies:

Rock of Ages Corp.

Barre, Vermont
Stone Supplier

KEPCO+

Salt Lake City, Utah
Stone Installer

Other Project Team Members:

Architect/Designer: Smallwood, Reynolds, Stewart,
Stewart & Associates

General Contractor: Jacobsen-Oakland Joint Venture

The exterior of the luxurious Grand America Hotel in Salt Lake City, which was completed in time to serve as 2002 Winter Olympics headquarters, is clad in over 300,000 sq. ft. of brilliant Bethel White granite. Some 5,000 tons of

the granite were quarried in Bethel, Vermont by Rock of Ages Corporation, shipped to Spain for fabrication, then delivered to Salt Lake City, where pieces were preassembled and installed by KEPCO+DBI. Bethel White pavers also adorn the roof of the hotel wings, to enhance a guest's view from the hotel room window. In addition, over 50,000 sq. ft. of granite and limestone were used in impressive site work, including fountains, planters, and plaza paving.

Judges' Comments:

"This grand gesture of architectural detailing recalls fine traditional European hotels. The quality of craftsmanship and overall stone sequencing is most evident."

