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# Linda Vos-Graham Named as Influential Woman



The Grand Rapids Business Journal (GRBJ) honored their "50 Most Influential Women in West Michigan"

at a biannual luncheon on March 2, 2010 at the J.W. Marriott in downtown Grand Rapids. Linda Vos-Graham, president of Vos Glass, Inc. was honored along with other dynamic business and civic leaders. Her achievements were profiled in a special supplement in the March 1 issue of the GRBJ.

### **Featured Supplier**

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Linda Vos-Graham



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# Vos Glass, Inc. Completes Van Andel Institute Expansion

The Van Andel Institute (VAI), a Grand Rapids-based, internationally recognized medical research and education facility, opened its Phase II expansion this past December. The \$170 million, 240,000-square-foot expansion increases the Institute's capabilities to discover cures for cancer and other diseases. The growth of the Institute is a prime example of Grand Rapids' success as a health care research leader.

Vos Glass, Inc. was chosen to provide and install the extensive and completely unique glass features of the expansion project. The company's 27-year relationship bringing glass to West Michigan has helped change the Grand Rapids skyline, and its highly skilled workforce and expert knowledge of the glass and glazing industry is evident once again at VAI.

Vos Glass, Inc. and its team of fabricators and installers collaborated with the renowned Rafael Viñoly, the lead architect on both the original building and the expansion, to fulfill his vision for the glass walls, windows and interior elements of Phase II. "The logistics and installations on this project were challenging," says Ken Graham, project manager for the VAI glass installation and vice president of Vos Glass, Inc. "We committed ourselves to staying true to the architect's models. Glass is a key feature of the building's architecture and functionality."

Bill Culhane, of Culhane & Fahrenkrug, LLC, owner's representative for the VAI project, says "It was great having the talent to install the unique glass so close to home," and that the overall knowledge of Vos Glass, Inc. was "invaluable considering the complexity of this project."

The Institute's Phase II expansion included three highly complex and completely original glass window and wall designs—the Café curtainwall, the Angel wall, and

of experience, GLAS Source added a state-of-the-art tempering machine to their business model in 2007, giving them improved control over quality, lead time and customer service.

GLASSource was the recipient of a 2005 USGlass Readers Choice Top Supplier Award. In 2009, they were named Vendor of the Year by the Indiana Glass Association, and were recognized by the Bath Enclosure Manufacturers Association (BEMA), receiving a national Crystal Achievement Award for innovative bath enclosure design.

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the CEO conference room. Vos Glass, Inc. also provided glazing expertise for many of the building's interior features.

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# Coming Soon:

- Tubelite interior light shelf to be used with their exterior sun shade system
- Wausau window and wall systems display
- Viracon special insulated glass options
- Major industry skylights, canopies and translucent panels



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#### New Trends in Interior Glass Wednesday, March 24, 2010 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Learn about the benefits and features of frameless versus framed shower enclosures, what glass patterns are available and review custom applications. Discuss back-painted glass applications and installation techniques, Walker architectural products, and the advantages of GlassGuard™ protective coating.

Presented by GLASSource Jim Arnold, President Josh Leonard, Regional Sales Manager

### Security Hardware Wednesday, April 14, 2010 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Discuss security hardware options that meet your client's design direction as well as the NFPA/ADA requirements for aluminum doors, glass doors, narrow stile frames and other tough-to-specify situations. Learn about the benefits of battery, electrical and mechanical operations to determine what's best for your project and fits your budget.

Presented by JLM Wholesale This is a learning unit event.

# GREEN: Architectural Aluminum & Glass Products for Commercial Construction

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Review common materials used in commercial architectural glazing systems, the benefits of recycled aluminum and the thermal properties of insulated glass units, and learn how these products contribute to LEED. This is an AIA/CES continuing education credit event.

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