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**The Rustic Country Barn**  
101 Park Lane Rd, New Milford

**Runner Up**  
Vintanthro Modern & Vintage  
895 Whalley Ave, New Haven

**Finalists**  
Friedman Found Furnishings  
33 Boston Post Rd, Waterford  
The Hunt  
20 Bank St, New Milford  
The Rusty Relic  
599 CT-169, Woodstock



**BEST ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR**  
**QC Electric**  
1053 Hartford Tpke, North Haven

**Runner Up**  
Pinter Electric  
11 Upland Rd, New Milford

**Finalists**  
Aiello Home Services  
21 N Plains Industrial Rd, Wallingford  
Hevy Electric  
Danielson  
High Wire Electric  
387 Litchfield Rd, New Milford  
Rayzor Electric  
852 Naugatuck Ave, Milford



**BEST FLORIST**  
**Ruth Chase Flowers**  
19 Church St, New Milford

**Runner Up**  
The Sunshine Shop  
925 Upper Maple St, Dayville

**Finalists**  
Broad Brook Gardens  
938 Sullivan Ave, South Windsor  
Haworth's Flowers & Gifts  
47 Garden St, Farmington  
Persimmon Petals  
135 Broad St, Hartford



**BEST GARDEN CENTER /  
NURSERY**  
**Hollandia Nurseries & Farm**  
103 Old Hawleyville Rd, Bethel

**Runner Up**  
Scott's Landscaping & Nursery  
322 Kent Rd, New Milford

**Finalists**  
Burnett's Country Garden  
380 New London Rd, Salem  
The Green Spot  
354 Litchfield Rd, New Milford  
Wojtusik's Nursery & Garden  
Center  
750 Terryville Ave, Bristol



**BEST HOME DECOR**  
**Design by The Jonathans**  
320 Boston Post Rd, Darien

**Runner Up**  
Mellow Monkey  
360 Sniffens Ln, Stratford

**Finalists**  
CP Farmhouse  
23 West St, Litchfield  
Home & Earth  
641 Main St S, Woodbury  
The Rustic Country Barn  
101 Park Lane Rd, New Milford



**BEST HOME REMODELER**  
**Chamberland Professional  
Painting**  
West Hartford

**Runner Up**  
Vonderhaar Painting  
4 Benson Rd, Bethel

**Finalists**  
Carefree Home Pros  
45 E Main St, Avon  
Elite Interior Renovations  
Fairfield  
NHV Painters  
354 Woodmont Rd, Milford

**BEST HVAC COMPANY**  
**R & M Plumbing & Heating**  
 74 Saw Mill Dr, Wallingford

**Runner Up**  
 Degree Heating & Cooling  
 160 Oak St, Glastonbury

**Finalists**  
 Aiello Home Services  
 21 N Plains Industrial Rd, Wallingford  
 Nero Air Conditioning & Heating  
 334 State St, North Haven  
 Seymour Oil & Propane  
 145 Bank St, Seymour

**BEST INTERIOR DESIGNER**  
**Design by The Jonathans**  
 85 Willow St, New Haven

**Runner Up**  
 Judi Alvino Designs  
 Rocky Hill

**Finalists**  
 Inspired Design  
 11 New Canaan Ct, Norwalk  
 Living Interiors of CT  
 Seymour  
 Roberta Ann Interiors  
 Main St, New Canaan

**BEST LANDSCAPER**  
**Ferrari Lawn & Landscape**  
 764 Thrall Ave, Suffield

**Runner Up**  
 Scott's Landscaping & Nursery  
 322 Kent Rd, New Milford

**Finalists**  
 860 Masonry  
 Hartford  
 Custom Illuminations,  
 Holiday Light Installers  
 255 Cherry St, Milford  
 Hollandia Landscape & Design  
 103 Old Hawleyville Rd, Bethel

**BEST PLUMBER**  
**Flush Plumbing & Drain Cleaning**  
 Milford

**Runner Up**  
 Jeff Berry & Sons  
 314 Kent Hollow Rd, Kent

**Finalists**  
 Aiello Home Services  
 21 N Plains Industrial Rd, Wallingford  
 Avon Plumbing & Heating  
 124 Simsbury Rd, Avon  
 Litchfield Hills Plumbing  
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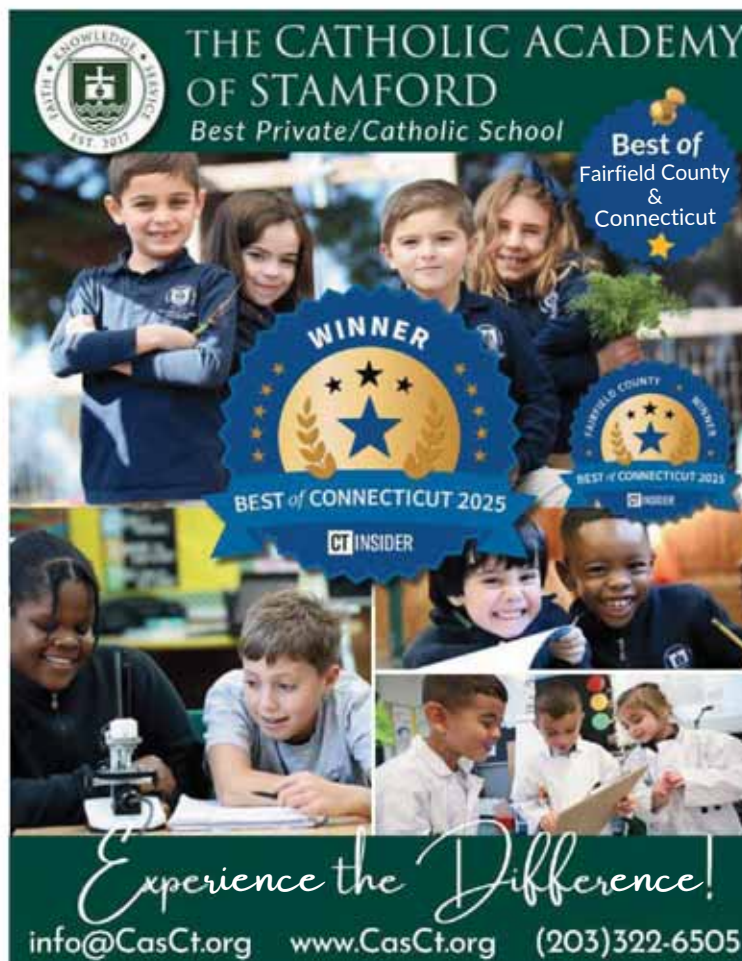
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## BEST BB OR COUNTRY INN

### Plume House Inn

67 Union St, Thomaston

#### Runner Up

### The Westbrook Inn Bed & Breakfast

976 Boston Post Rd, Westbrook

#### Finalists

### Homestead Inn

5 Elm St, New Milford

### Inn at Ocean Avenue

917 Ocean Ave, New London

### Lost Fox Inn

571 Torrington Rd, Litchfield



## BEST CITY LODGING

### Plume House Inn

67 Union St, Thomaston

#### Runner Up

### Homestead Inn

5 Elm St, New Milford

#### Finalists

### Hotel Marcel

500 Sargent Dr, New Haven

### Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale

155 Temple St, New Haven

### The Goodwin Hotel

1 Haynes St, Hartford



## BEST FAMILY GETAWAY

### Plume House Inn

67 Union St, Thomaston

#### Runner Up

### Saybrook Point Resort & Marina

2 Bridge St, Old Saybrook

#### Finalists

### Homewood Suites by Hilton,

Orange/New Haven

99 Marsh Hill Rd, Orange

### Mystic KOA Holiday

118 Pendleton Hill Rd, North Stonington

### The Surfside Hotel

10 Washington Pkwy, Stratford