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## Bite by Bite Kathy Stephenson



Kathy Stephenson has been the food writer at The Tribune since 2000. A Utah native, Stephenson's first job was picking zucchini on her grandparent's Kaysville farm. Every Christmas, Stephenson's neighbors and colleagues look forward to getting a plate of her baklava. Last year, she gave away nearly 300 pieces.

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### Vinto recognized for design

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Utahns like the pizza, salad and flatbreads at Vinto, but national design experts say the architecture and decor at this casual Italian restaurant are just as impressive.

The Salt Lake City restaurant, at 418 E. 200 South, was recently awarded second place in a contest sponsored by Design Within Reach, an online furniture and design site. A panel of judges rated each entry on a scale from 1 to 10 for innovation, honesty, timelessness and approachability.

Vinto, located in a remodeled downtown building is long and narrow. That, according to judges, allows "for visual variety and booth design, but also pulled the eye to the back of the space; the choice to use the Random Light by Bertjan Pot, reinforced this visual goal while maintaining the airy view to the back."

The restaurant features exposed ceiling joists with natural and industrial finishes including metal, wood, marble and cork.

Judges especially liked the bar and counter stools. "This seating choice provided simplicity and comfort, while the open back maintained visual openness," they said.

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