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Interlink: An Excellent Path of Development and Construction

BY CB STAFF

Interlink is easily associated with development and construction of the highest quality. It has been a key player of award-winning real-estate projects in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, including resorts, hotels, master-planned communities, single-family homes, condominiums and mixed-use commercial properties.

Interlink's signature projects in-

Las Casitas Village at El Conquistador Resort



Hunt Construction. Some recent projects include the remodeling of BMW's showroom; Margaritaville, a 250-room time-share concept at Wyndham Río Mar; renovation of 527 rooms and new suites at the San Juan Marriott Hotel & Stellaris Casino, and four private residences at St. Regis Residences, Las Estancias.

Interlink has developed more than 3,200 housing units that were executed with quality, sensibility and respect for the environment. Interlink has fostered an unparalleled reputation for building superior products with great attention to detail, and producing the finest finishes and value proposition.

The company has established partnerships and alliances in its long trajectory with renowned firms and commercial organizations, which are key to the firm's



success. One of Interlink's most important transactions was with Paulson & Co., which meant a great deal for Bahía Beach Resort and Puerto Rico.

Additional alliances have been established with Rockwood Capital for the acquisition and administration of the San Juan Marriott Hotel; Starwood Hotels & Resorts; MB Holdings; Channel Conrol Merchant LLC (CCM); Pietrantoni, Méndez & Álvarez; and the Government of P.R. for the development of the Sheraton Puerto Rico Convention Center Hotel & Casino; and with Wyndham International for the development of Las Casitas Village at El Conquistador Resort.

Founded 38 years ago, Interlink is an integrated real-estate resource, offering unmatched expertise in construction, development and asset management. ■

clude the St. Regis Bahía Beach Resort, Sheraton Puerto Rico Convention Center Hotel & Casino and Las Casitas Village at El Conquistador Resort. In addition, the company worked on such commercial developments as Centro Europa and City View Plaza, and residential projects including Cosmopolitan in San Juan's Miramar community, Las Verandas and Las Estancias at Bahía Beach Resort and Los Paseos.

The company is working on the remodeling and expansion of Luis Muñoz Marín International Airport in alliance with

Colegio Puertorriqueño de Niñas: The Power To Be

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Colegio Puertorriqueño de Niñas (CPN) is the only institution in Puerto Rico dedicated to girls and women's education from kindergarten through their senior year of high school. The school is known for offering a comprehensive education based on a cutting-edge academic curriculum that focuses on excellence and a wide variety of activities and student organizations to develop women who are leaders, self-confident and ready to successfully take on college life and future challenges.

One hundred percent of CPN students go on to study at U.S. and local universities and colleges, many of them admitted to the institutions' honors programs. A large number of students from the Class of 2015 were accepted in the nation's top 35 universities, including Barnard College, Bryn Mawr, Carnegie Mellon, Columbia University, Cornell University, Georgetown University, Haverford College, Notre Dame, Boston College, New York University, University of North Carolina, Swarthmore College, University of Virginia and University of Rochester.

Many of the students of the Class of 2016 have already been admitted, some of them in the honors program, through their early action and early decision options. According to the school's university counselor, Caroline Oliveira, "not only are they accepted in excellent universities year after year, but once they arrive at these institutions, they manage to successfully cope academically and socially thanks to the education they receive at our school."

There is a pool of talented women who are the results of the CPN experience and have given glory to Puerto Rico and their school, including: attorney Ana Mari Bermúdez, New York City Probation Commissioner; Beatriz Polhamus, executive director of the Banco Popular Foundation; Lt. Col. Mildred Bonilla, chief of the Department of Planning & Programs

at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.; Laura Cantero, executive director of Grupo Guayacán Inc; and attorney Cecille Blondet, president of WIPR, Puerto Rico's Public Broadcasting System.

Today, the CPN continues advancing its cutting-edge education philosophy. At the preschool and elementary level, the school features a Creative Learning Center, which is used as a teaching strategy along with an integrated curriculum where every classroom becomes a unique



laboratory that provides students an opportunity to make connections between different topics and matters relevant to the world around them.

The school offers programs such as the CPN+Enrichment Program, through which students from sixth grade through their senior year can choose from more than 300 online courses, and the College Prep Network, which combines preparation for the PSAT and SAT standardized tests with guidance on university careers and exploratory experiences through a mentoring program.

CPN also has Advanced Placement courses and other offerings for its students, who always stand out in various local and national organizations, having received awards and acknowledgements from the National Hispanic Scholars Recognition Program, Presidential Scholar Program, invitations to National Youth Leadership Forums, the Adolfo Fortier Award for outstanding scores on the College Board's Piense Test, awards in the United Nations' annual competition held at University of Pennsylvania, as well as multiple awards in competitions on the island. ■