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Bathroom firm up for award

A NEWBURY-owned business is in the running for Bathroom Retailer of the Year in a national awards scheme.

InStil Design Ltd, owned by Newbury residents Martina Landhed and Lynne Delavere, and which is based in Oxford, has been named as a finalist for bathroom retailer of the year in the *kbbreview* Retail & Design Awards.

Ms Landhed, design director for the firm, said: "Being announced a finalist is such fantastic news and we are very happy.

"We feel extremely proud as our showroom has been open only just over a year.

"This is the first time we have entered this category, and to be a finalist still feels a little unreal."

In 2013, Ms Landhed was named as bathroom designer of the year for projects costing up to £10,000 in the same awards.

kbbreview editor Tim Wallace said: "After the great success of our 20th anniversary last year, we're delighted to see this enthusiasm carried through to 2015.

"These really are the highest accolades this industry has to offer and to be named as one of the finalists is a huge achievement, especially as the independent judging panel is made up of true industry experts."

Winners will be announced at a black tie gala dinner at the London Hilton Hotel in March.