



AIA Northwest Washington

A Section of AIA Seattle

2020 Design Awards Call for Submissions

The 2020 AIA Northwest Washington Design Awards celebrate the best architectural designs available from the AIA members in Whatcom, Skagit, Island, and San Juan Counties. These projects represent the finest standards in sustainability, inclusion, innovation, building performance, and overall integration with client and surrounding community.

Key Dates

Submission Deadline: **September 3, 5pm**

Design Awards virtual event: **October 15, 6-7:30pm**

Information Needed to Submit

Application PDF (this fillable document) with Contact & Project information, Payment & Checklist.

Jury Presentation PDF | Team Presentation PDF | Publicity Image

Jury Criteria

The intent of the Design Awards is to encourage excellence in architectural design and planning and to provide an avenue through which architects may gain recognition by their peers and the public. The ultimate goal is to raise the standards of architectural design excellence by both the architectural community and the public.

Each entry will be judged for the success with which the project has met its individual requirements. Entries will be evaluated individually, not in competition with each other. The Jury uses the anonymous written and visual material submitted for their analysis. It is imperative that this information describe the project as clearly and accurately as possible. Jury considerations include design quality, functional utility, economy, environmental harmony, sustainability, accessibility, aesthetic delight, creativity, craftsmanship, and innovation. In addition, attention will be paid to the following:

- The building's character: Integration of materials in a cost effective manner; ease of use to best serve the client; ability to draw people in to explore, experience, and feel welcome.
- Overall integration of the project to its location, how the project relates to the community and its users.
- **How the project specifically solved issues and met the program goals of the client and/or public.**
- Attention to energy/water conservation and application of environmentally-friendly materials and design methods.
- Life cycle cost and maintainability.
- Each juror evaluates the entries on their own merit.
- Additional criteria may be established by the jury at the time of their review.

Categories

Submissions should clearly demonstrate process and accomplishment through a combination of text, diagrams, drawings, photographs and other graphic materials and address the issues outlined in the Jury Criteria, and fall within the following categories:

- Residential Award
- Commercial Award
- Unbuilt Project Award

Eligibility

- Submissions must be designed by Architect members of AIA NWW, with main offices located in our 4-county area.
- Submissions may be from any year.
- The size and location of a project will in no way limit its eligibility.
- Members may separately submit as many projects for consideration as they wish.
- For projects in which an Architect has joint ventured or associated with a design consultant, the member must be the Architect, or Designer-of-Record.
- Where responsibility for a project is shared, all participants who substantially contributed to the work must be appropriately credited. Projects must be submitted in the name of the Architect-of-Record.
- Projects that have won AIA NWW Awards in the past are not eligible. All other projects may be resubmitted.

Submittal Cost for projects:

\$150 for the first project submitted, \$100 for each additional project. (Submit each project separately.)

Jury Presentation PDF

Jurors will review the Jury Presentation PDF on laptops and projection screens—horizontal formats work best for these devices. Submitted materials must conform to the following requirements to be juried. *Anonymity is a must—firm names are not to be visible in this file.*

Requirements

A single PDF file – 20 pages maximum: 25 MB maximum file size. All materials contained in this file must be anonymous.

File Naming Format: J-ProjectName.pdf

PAGE 1: Project description and introduction

Format

- 8 ½” x 11” landscape, 1” margins minimum on all sides
- Black text on white background, 12 pt minimum font, no graphics or imagery

Project Information (This information should be the same as submitted on this PDF)

- Project Name
- Project Location: Municipality, State (i.e. Spokane, WA — omit street address and zip code)
- Project Area

Project Narrative

No more than 500 words:

- Summarize the project, its physical context, the ideas behind it, the challenges it presented and how they were investigated and resolved.
- Place emphasis on the elements of design achievement defined in the Judging Criteria. Avoid elaboration of features already made clear by photographs and drawings.
- Include information about project intentions, including program requirements, cost data, and the distinguishing aspects of their resolution.
- For preservation/restoration projects provide the jury with sufficient information to differentiate between the original architects' work and the newly altered, preserved, or restored work.
- DO NOT identify the architect, designer or firm in any way.

PAGES 2-20: Project-related diagrams, graphics and imagery to a maximum of 19 pages.

Diagrams/Graphics/Imagery

(We understand it may be difficult to photograph interiors or showing projects in use due to social distancing, please include supplemental diagrams to further illustrate the project if needed.)

- Pages may include, but are not limited to: diagrams, photographs, site plans, floor plans, sections, evaluations or other illustrative drawings.
- These pages are meant to graphically represent the project. Please limit labels or annotation to approximately 30 words per page.
- Indicate the project's physical context or site character through graphics and/or imagery.
- Conceptual, sustainable, technical or programmatic diagrams are encouraged.
- Renovations and additions—clearly delineate the scope of work and consider including graphics and/or images that distinguish between the initial circumstances and the final product and contain other material highlighting the reuse or adaptation of the site or building.

Team Presentation PDF

The Team Presentation PDF will be projected at the Design Awards event to celebrate all submitted projects and award winners, and to recognize the design teams.

Requirements

A single PDF file: 2 pages: 5 MB maximum size

File Naming Format: T-ProjectName.pdf

Content

Include Project name, Project location, and Entrant's firm name on each page of Team Presentation PDF.

Page 1: Project Image: A representative image of the project

Page 2: Collaborator Credits: A comprehensive listing of the design team, owner/client (if desired), and project collaborators. Collaborators' logos may be used.

Publicity Image

To be submitted as part of the full on-line entry submittal. This image should showcase each project provided to AIA NWW for publicity purposes. This image must not include any text.

Requirements

Print-quality 300 dpi image of approximately 2400x4000 pixels and either JPG, PNG, or TIFF format.

File Naming Format: P-ProjectName-PhotographerName.jpg (or .png/.tif)

Photo inclusion implies permission from its photographer for use by the AIA NWW for promotional purposes. Correct attribution is the submitter's sole responsibility.

Photo Release

By participating, all entrants grant the American Institute of Architects Northwest Washington section (AIA NWW) a non-exclusive license to post the entries online for the public to view. In addition, each winner grants to AIA NWW a license for use of winning entry in connection with AIA NWW Design Awards, in any media now or hereafter known, including but not limited to: publication in newspapers and magazines and AIA NWW sponsored exhibitions of the work. AIA NWW will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such use. Submission to this program implies permission from the project owner, and releases AIA NWW from any responsibility of seeking permissions from owners, photographers, or any project-related stakeholders.

APPLICATION

Contact Information

This is the person we will contact if there are questions or problems with your submittal.

Name_____ AIA number_____

Email address_____

Phone number(s)_____

Firm Name_____

Postal Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Website_____

Project Information

Use one consistent project name throughout your submittal and on all file names. This is the name that will be formally referenced in all publicity.

Project Name_____

Street Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Category

- Residential Commercial Unbuilt Project

Lot size: Building site (if applicable)_____

Building area (if applicable): Total gross square footage_____

(Use aggregate gross square footage for project with multiple buildings/units. Use site area for urban design and planning projects.)

Date of construction completion_____

Credits

These credits will be used for the Design Awards Program (emailed as a PDF this year).

- Design Team: Please list the names of any members of the core design team.
- Collaborators: Include consultants, other design professionals, contractors, and other collaborators involved in the project, but not listed as part of the core Design Team. Please list each as: "Name, Company, Role"
- Owner/Client: Leave blank if anonymity preferred
- Photographer Credit(s): Inclusion of photos implies permission from the photographer to reproduce these images for the promotion of the Design Awards Program.
- Correct attribution is the sole responsibility of the submitter.

List each credit with Name, and/or Company, Role

i.e. Robbie Green, Greenfield Design, Landscape Architect

Owner/Client (leave blank if anonymity preferred) _____

Photo Credit _____

PAYMENT + SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

Submission Payment

Non-refundable application fee: \$150 for the first project submitted, \$100 for each additional project. Submit each submission on a separate form.

(Visa / MasterCard / Amex / Discover)

Total Payment _____

Credit Card Number _____

Name on Card _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature of Cardholder _____

Email (for receipt) _____

This payment method is preferred. You may also mail a check to: AIA Seattle, 1010 Western Ave, Seattle, WA 98104, or to make a payment by phone call Connor at 206.957.1914

Submission Checklist

- Call for Submissions Application PDF** - this document filled out, including payment information

Please name your Application file following this example (with submission date):
Project Name_Application_Date.pdf

- Jury Presentation PDF**, no firm or architect identification.
Maximum file size 25MB
- Team Presentation PDF**, maximum file size **5MB**
- Publicity Image, 300 dpi** print quality

[Click here](#) to upload your four submission files.

Questions?

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