# HONOR AWARDS

## 2021 Call for Submissions
### HONOR AWARDS FOR WASHINGTON ARCHITECTURE

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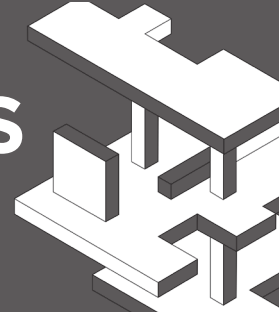
## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

**Reconnect and broaden conversations about resilience in design.** On behalf of the Honor Awards Committee, we look forward to celebrating you in person with a renewed sense of urgency to undertake the grand social, environmental, and economic challenges we are facing.

While this has been a difficult year, it has also been a time for reflection. Our evolving public health crises, continued critical reckonings with systemic racism, and rapidly changing environments are intrinsically linked. Yet we remain optimistic in the innovations design can contribute, and believe in AIA Seattle's vision for **a culture of design that fosters equitable, resilient, and thriving communities**.

You play a vital role in showcasing the design leadership in our region, and we encourage you to share your work by submitting to AIA Seattle's 2021 Honor Awards for Washington Architecture. It's a new year, a new jury, and a transition back to in-person celebrations!

- **This year's live event on November 8 will return to an in-person celebration of our greater design community, recognizing both project teams and — for the first time — individual awardees. Components of the program will be shared virtually,** enabling us to extend these celebrations to broader audiences.

- As a part of the submissions form, **AIA Seattle is continuing use of the Common App for Design Excellence in the Energy in Design Award evaluation**. This tool is a natural evolution of the Energy in Design Calculator, and an exciting opportunity for all built submissions to move toward design that supports climate action.

- The challenges of this past year and those that lie ahead have illuminated the importance of community and locality. **This year, we encourage submitters to celebrate the people and place the project effects.** This includes highlighting community impacts, emphasizing resiliency, describing the project's benefits to both local and broader communities, and celebrating the project teams that contribute to visioning and building these projects.

- In order to build a resilient future, it is important to take risks. Research provides safe testing grounds to engage with the extraordinary challenges and crises we face that will ultimately push practice forward. **Now in its fourth year, we highly encourage submissions to the Research & Innovation category** that highlight discoveries, experimentation, explorations, successes, and even failures from which we can learn and grow.

If you have never submitted before or your project has not yet been recognized, this is your moment to reconnect and contribute to broadening conversations about resilience in design.

*– Ming-Lee Yuan, AIA & Catherine De Almeida, ASLA | Co-chairs, Honor Awards Committee*

# KEY DETAILS
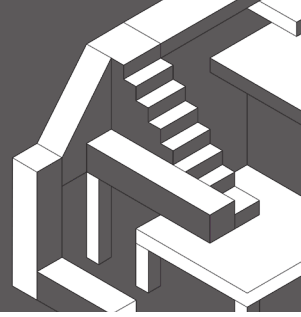
**The AIA Seattle Honor Awards program recognizes four levels of achievement:**

## HONOR AWARD
Represents the highest level of achievement

## MERIT AWARD
Represents exceptional achievement

## HONORABLE MENTION
Represents distinguished achievement

## ENERGY IN DESIGN AWARD
Represents a balance of design achievement and exemplary energy performance

## DATES + DEADLINES

**August 4, 2021** — Submissions open

**August 26, 12:00-1:00pm** — Shaping Successful Submissions: Interactive Q&A Webinar

**September 15, 5:00pm** — Early bird submission deadline

**September 29, 5:00pm** — Final submission deadline. All submission form(s) and payment must be completed online by this deadline, no exceptions.

**October 7** — Submissions posted to the online gallery for public viewing

**November 8** — 2021 Honor Awards Live Event

## EARLY BIRD ENTRY FEES
*prices below increase 15% after 5:00pm PDT September 15, 2021*

|  | Firm Network | Individual AIA Member | Non-Member | Emerging Professional* | Student |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BUILT** | $335 | $370 | $445 | $165 | $35 |
| **CONCEPTUAL** | $195 | $215 | $335 | $110 | $35 |
| **RESEARCH & INNOVATION** | $195 | $215 | $335 | $110 | $35 |

*For scholarship / reduced rate requests, please email AndreaA@aiaseattle.org*

*\*Emerging Professionals are licensed architects or design professionals with less than 10 years of experience. Any work produced for a firm is not eligible for submission at the Emerging Professional price.*
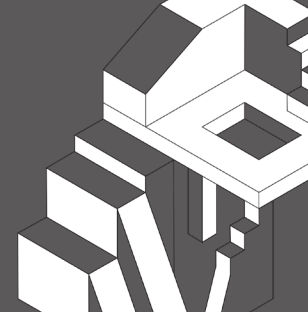
# SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

The AIA Seattle Honor Awards program seeks submissions in the categories of BUILT, CONCEPTUAL, and RESEARCH & INNOVATION, three categories that encompass and celebrate the forefront of Washington architectural design.

| | BUILT | CONCEPTUAL | RESEARCH & INNOVATION |
|---|---|---|---|
| **CHOOSING A CATEGORY** | Submit **completed built works** to the BUILT category | Submit **unbuilt works** to the CONCEPTUAL category | Submit **projects, components** or **processes** focused on innovative design strategies, systems and technologies to the RESEARCH & INNOVATION category |
| **PURPOSE + RECOGNITION** | Recognizes a diversity of built project scales, from smaller human-scaled work (i.e. installations) to traditional building-scaled work (i.e. residential or institutional projects) to larger civic-scaled plans (i.e. TOD developments) | Recognizes the unbuilt projects that inspire us, further our understanding of design, and encourage our creative exploration of the built environment | Recognizes forward-thinking advancements and the exemplary application of research used to inform practice |
| **EXAMPLES** Include, but aren't limited to: | • Details<br>• Furniture<br>• Installations<br>• Unenclosed Structures<br>• Residential<br>• Institutional<br>• Commercial<br>• Civic<br>• Master Plans/Campus Plans<br>• Urban District Plans<br>• Transit Oriented Development Districts<br>• Civic Improvements<br>• Redevelopment | • Competition Entries<br>• Student or Thesis Work<br>• Unbuilt Projects | • Research & Development<br>• Technologies<br>• Fabrication<br>• Building Components or Systems<br>• Sustainable Strategies<br>• Resiliency/ Adaptation<br>• Construction Details<br>• Design Process<br>• Social/Community Impact<br>• Research-focused Student or Thesis Work |

# ELIGIBILITY

| | BUILT | CONCEPTUAL | RESEARCH & INNOVATION |
|---|---|---|---|
| **PROJECT ELIGIBILITY** | Eligible if **completed after November 2016** | Eligible if **initiated after November 2016** | Eligible if **completed or initiated after November 2016** |
| **SUBMITTER ELIGIBILITY** | Professional license is required by **at least one person on** the design team | Professional license is **not** required | Professional license is **not** required |
| | Registered architects practicing in Washington are eligible regardless of the project's location. Out of state architects and their offices are also eligible, provided that their submitted projects are located within the State of Washington. If the design team includes more than one office of practice, any member of the project team may submit the joint project. All members of the design team must be acknowledged in the entry and should be aware of the submission. | | |
| **AWARD ELIGIBILITY** | Eligible for **Honor**, **Merit**, **Honorable Mention**, and **Energy in Design** Awards | Eligible for **Merit** and **Honorable Mention** Awards | Eligible for **Merit** and **Honorable Mention** Awards |
| | Firms are encouraged to re-enter projects previously submitted if they did not win an award. Projects that have received an AIA Seattle award are not eligible for another award. Any project that credits a juror or a juror's firm as architect, associate architect, consultant, or client is ineligible and will be disqualified if submitted. | | |

# SUBMISSION OVERVIEW
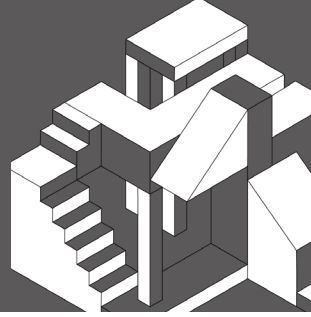
Submit the following components before **5:00pm PDT on September 29, 2021**

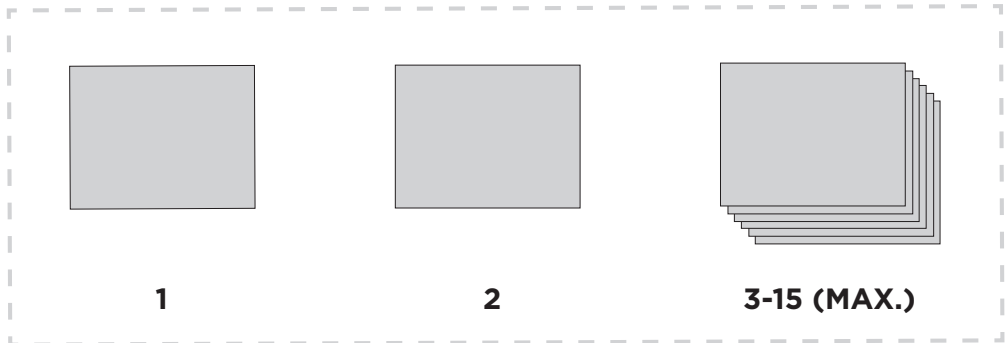**aiaseattle.submittable.com/submit**

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## GALLERY IMAGE

*Anonymous
*Requirements on pg. 7*

**1**
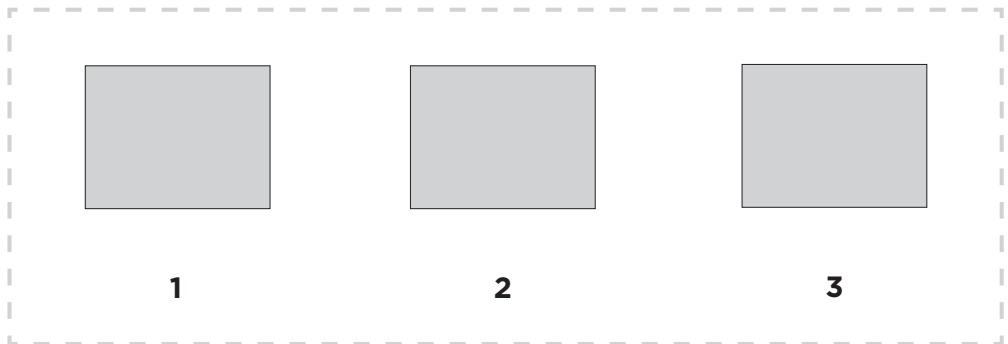primary image to represent
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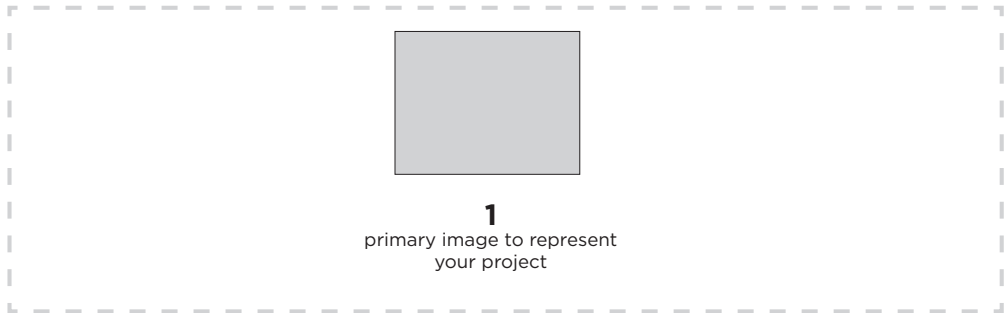
**B**

## SUBMISSION PACKAGE

*Anonymous for jury review
*Requirements on pg. 7*

**1**      **2**      **3-15 (MAX.)**

**C**

## PUBLICITY PACKAGE

*For public presentation
*Requirements on pg. 8*

**1**      **2**      **3**

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## COMMON APP FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE

*Built submissions only,
anonymous for jury review
*Requirements on pg. 9*

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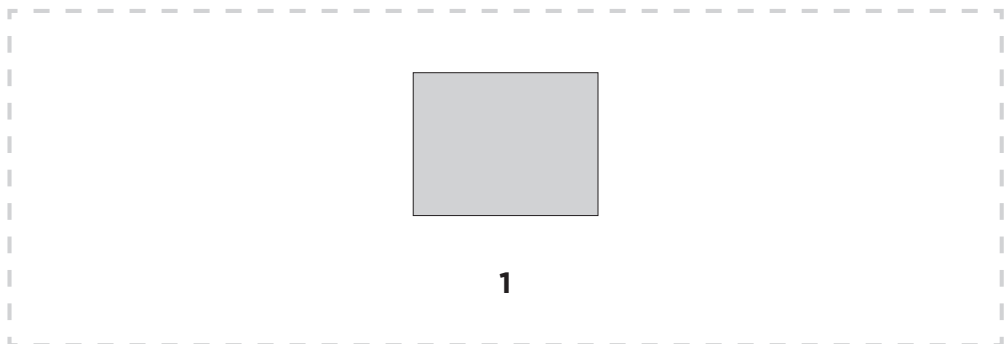
# SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

**GALLERY**
ANONYMOUS*

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### GALLERY IMAGE
+ Image only, no text

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### *ANONYMOUS =
no mention or view of submitting firm, team or collaborators in any text or project images.

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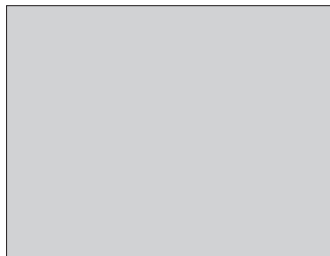ANONYMOUS FOR JURY REVIEW

B. **1**

### PROJECT SUMMARY
+ PROJECT NAME
+ LOT SIZE (if applicable)
+ BUILDING SCALE (if applicable)
+ LOCATION (city + state only)
+ PRIMARY PROJECT TYPE
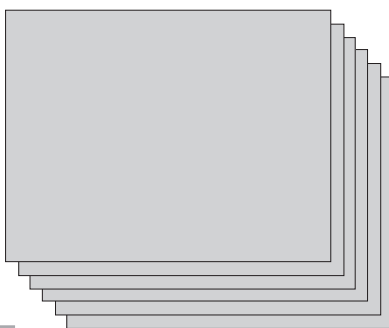
*File Name: ProjectName_File#.jpg
(ex. "TheHouse_01.jpg")

B. **4**

### + PDF VERSION
Convert all Submission Package JPGs (B.1-3) into a single PDF
(15 pg max, 20MB max)

*File Name: ProjectName.pdf

B. **2**

### PROJECT STORY
+ In 500 words or less, start a dialogue with the jury (see pg. 10)

*File Name: ProjectName_File#.jpg
(ex. "TheHouse_02.jpg")

B. **3**

### GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION
+ 13 pages max
+ Keep captions to a minimum
+ You can include DIAGRAMS, PROCESS WORK, PHOTOGRAPHS, SITE PLANS, DETAILS, SECTIONS, SKETCHES, etc.
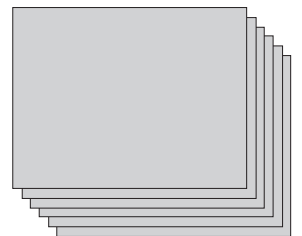
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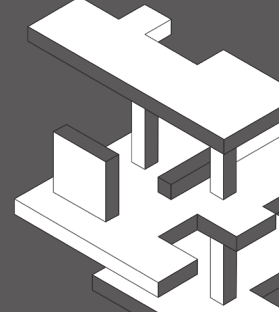(ex. "TheHouse_03.jpg", "TheHouse_04.jpg", etc.)

# PUBLICITY PACKAGE

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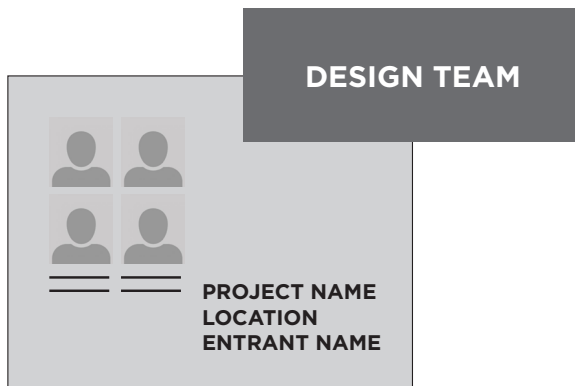
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## PROJECT IMAGE

PROJECT NAME
LOCATION
ENTRANT NAME
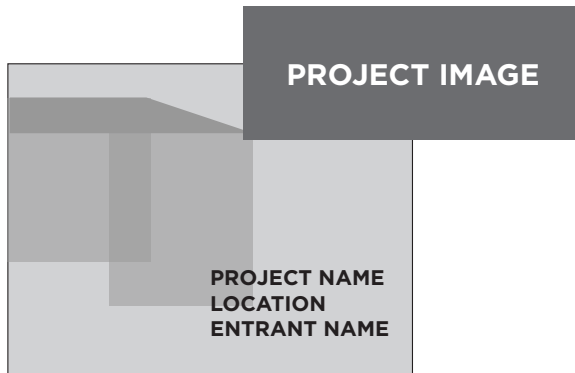
**C. 1**

+ Include Project Name, Location, Entrant Name
+ Image

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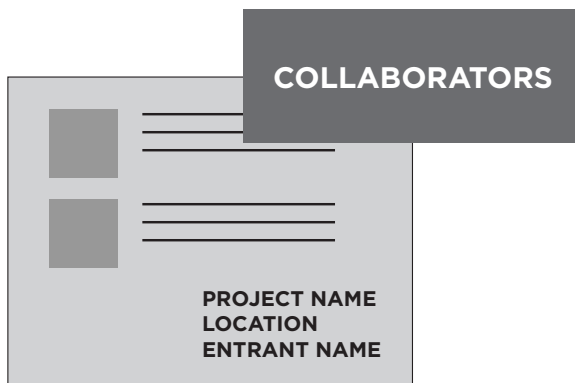## DESIGN TEAM

PROJECT NAME
LOCATION
ENTRANT NAME

**C. 2**

+ Include Project Name, Location, Entrant Name
+ Design team credits*

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*Please list project information and credits exactly as they should appear in all publicity and (in the event of an award) on the recognition materials. Accuracy is the sole responsibility of the submitter.
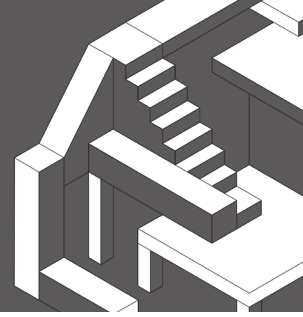
## COLLABORATORS

PROJECT NAME
LOCATION
ENTRANT NAME

**C. 3**

+ Include Project Name, Location, Entrant Name
+ Collaborator credits*

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# THE COMMON APP

## BUILT SUBMISSIONS ONLY - IN CONSIDERATION FOR THE ENERGY IN DESIGN AWARD

**DOWNLOAD THE COMMON APP AT AIASEATTLE.ORG/HONORAWARDS2021**
FORMAT FOR FILE **.XLS**

## THE COMMON APP FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE
### ANONYMOUS FOR JURY REVIEW

**1 EXCEL FILE**

D. **1**

*__File Name: ProjectName_CommonApp.xls__
**(ex. "TheHouse_CommonApp.xls")**

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Now in its second year, AIA Seattle is implementing an updated Common App for Design Excellence for use in the Energy in Design Award evaluation, and we ask that all applicable submitters do their best to complete the full form. This tool is a natural evolution of the Energy in Design Calculator, which is color-coded green within the form. The Common App for Design is a revolutionary opportunity for all Built submissions to move toward design that supports climate action.

## QUESTIONS ABOUT THE COMMON APP FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE?

View last year's tutorial recording and attend an interactive Q&A webinar with the Integrated Design Lab and members of the Honor Awards Committee on **August 26 at 12:00pm PT**. Visit aiaseattle.org/honorawards2021 for more information.

# JURY PROCESS
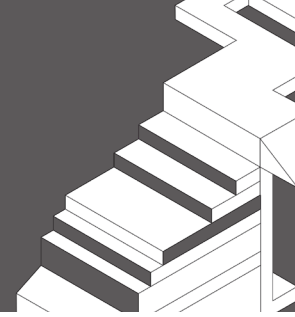
## BROADEN CONVERSATIONS ABOUT RESILIENCE IN DESIGN

Every year, jurors praise submissions that reveal the story behind the marketing images. What concepts and considerations drove the design? How did the design team creatively address the project parameters? What is the project's benefit or impact? Ultimately, what makes this an award-winning project? We encourage submitters to use the project narrative, captions, and the inclusion of process work as opportunities to graphically tell a design story. **Submit to start a dialogue.**

**JURY CONSIDERATIONS**
In addition to the jury's own criteria, the AIA Seattle community has identified four considerations for the submission review process:

- **Inspiration |** How does the project manifest its stated intent—in form and function—revealing innovation in both thought and practice?

- **Problem-solving |** How does the project creatively address challenges inherent in its site, budget, program, materials, collaboration, and context? What are the organizing principles informing design?

- **Environmental Sensitivity |** How does the project exhibit serious intent to minimize negative environmental impact and enhance its relationship to the environment?

- **Social Impact |** How does the project enhance the community in which it is situated? How does it help promote a vibrant and equitable community?

The integration of the Common App into the submission process also raises awareness of the framework's Top Ten Considerations for Design Excellence.

**The submitted projects that receive awards have one thing in common; they convey the design process in a way that answers the what, where, why, and how of the project.**

We encourage submitters to consider how the jury will interpret one or more considerations in connection to the project's design story. Awards are the final determination of the jury. Refer to past galleries for examples of award-winning submissions—and attend our **Shaping Successful Submissions: Interactive Q&A Webinar** on **August 26 at 12:00pm PT.**

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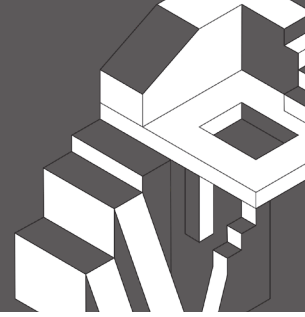
By participating, all entrants grant AIA Seattle a non-exclusive license to post the entries in an online gallery so that the public and press may view all competing entries. In addition, each winner grants to AIA Seattle a license for use of all entries in connection with AIA Seattle Honor Awards, in any media now or hereafter known, including but not limited to: publication in newspapers and magazines and AIA Seattle sponsored exhibitions of the work (including the online gallery). AIA Seattle 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 Seattle from any responsibility of seeking permissions from owners, photographers, or any project-related stakeholders. Inclusion of photos implies permission from the photographer. Correct attribution is the sole responsibility of the submitter.

## QUESTIONS?

**For technical support with submissions**, please e-mail: support@submittable.com

**For general questions about submitting**, or about the Awards Event please e-mail: Zoë Guckenheimer, zoeg@aiaseattle.org 206-957-1912

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*Tuesday-Thursday 10:00 am-5:00 pm.*

Questions **may not** be directed to or answered by the jurors.