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2022

2022 BSA DESIGN AWARDS

The Boston Society for Architecture Design Awards program celebrates innovation in the built environment, and the unique power of architecture not only to design buildings and spaces, but to improve the quality of life for the community.

The BSA Design Awards recognize the incredible work of our community and invested clients who are not only designing buildings and spaces but are also transforming communities and shaping the way we live through excellence in design.

We believe that innovation in the build environment is key to tackling our greatest challenges, including the rising threat of climate change. In recognition of the new ways architects and designers are designing sustainable spaces, the BSA Design Awards have incorporated the AIA Framework for Design Excellence, which includes metrics for evaluating buildings that promote sustainability, reduce carbon emissions, and promote healthy communities.

Submit your work for consideration for one or multiple Design Award categories, which span architectural design, technical ability, environmental response, and social impact. Join us as we build a just and sustainable future, together.

WHAT'S NEW IN 2022?

Each year invited juries of respected design professions review submissions and select exceptional projects.

- As part of the submission process and evaluation process, the BSA continues to incorporate the [AIA Framework for Design Excellence](#) for all submissions. Not all 10 measures are required. You must respond at least one or more principles in your project summary narrative on how your submission achieves these measures
- **Project Summary Narrative. This narrative is the big picture:** focus on the process effects, program requirements, social equity issues addressed (as well as lessons learned). Describe specific ways in which you achieved and integrated these goals and requirements, benefits to the community, engagement with the client, and detailing any 2050 carbon neutral goals. Use Framework metrics (if applicable) to support your narrative.
- **At-a-glance statement is now the Statement of Design Excellence:** This impact statement will be used to promote your project. In 100 words or less, describe this project's approach to sustainability through design. How does the project use architectural design to benefit the occupants, community, and planet?
- **Client Impact Statement** connects your values with your clients' goals. This statement connects your values with your clients' goals and provides a glimpse of the engagement and access of users, as well as the access and community impact considerations.

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- **Elimination of Sustainability Award Category.** The Design Awards program now incorporates the fulfillment of sustainable design principles into all categories.
- **Interior Architecture and Design** is now **Interior Architecture and Spatial Design.**
- **Award levels have changed to Honor, Merit (replacing Award), and Citation.** A Citation may be awarded based on outstanding execution with a Framework measure, such as “Citation | Design for Energy” (or a Social Solution/Social Impact for an Unbuilt category). All awards are at the jurors’ discretion.

DATES AND DEADLINES

May 23, 2022	Submission open
June-August, 2022	Awards overview, program info sessions & resources
September 9, 2022 11:59 PM	Campus and Urban Planning, Healthcare Facilities Design, Interior Architecture and Spatial Design
September 16, 2022 11:59 PM	K-12 Education Facilities Design, Residential Design, Unbuilt Architecture and Design
September 23, 2022 11:59 PM	Honor Awards for Design Excellence
September, 2022	Jury Overview program
September-October, 2022	Jury Deliberations
November, 2022	Award notifications
December, 2022	Communications and announcements

SUBMISSION FEES (NON-REFUNDABLE)

- **Built Categories**
 - Massachusetts AIA firm members pay **\$150 for their first submission**
 - **\$100 for subsequent submissions per category.**
 - Nonmembers pay **\$250 for their first submission**
 - **\$200 for subsequent submissions per category**
 - Residential Design:
 - AIA New York, AIA Brooklyn, AIA Bronx, AIA Queens, AIA Staten Island, AIA Long Island, AIA Peconic, and AIA Westchester + Hudson Valley receive special pricing.
 - Projects by architects based in New England and New York’s Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City may be located anywhere. Projects by others must be located in New England or New York’s Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City.
- **Unbuilt Architecture & Design Category**
 - BSA member firms pay **\$100 for their first submission**
 - **\$75 for subsequent submissions.**
 - **Nonmembers pay \$125 for their first submission**
 - **\$100 for subsequent submissions.**

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PROGRAM & ELIGIBILITY

PROGRAM

Projects may be recognized in three levels:

Honor - Representing the highest level of achievement of Design Excellence

Merit - representing exceptional work

Citation - representing a notable achievement

A Citation may be awarded based on outstanding execution with a Framework measure, such as “Citation | Design for Energy” (or a Social Solution/Social Impact for an Unbuilt category). All awards are at the jurors’ discretion.

[Start Your Submission Here](#)

ELIGIBILITY

BUILT

Projects must be submitted in the name of the firm that executed the commission. Firms may re-enter projects previously submitted if they did not win an award. Projects that have been honored by Design Awards juries are ineligible, as is work by jurors or by their firms.

Project Eligibility	Projects must have been <u>completed</u> within the past 5 years; January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2021.
Submitter Eligibility	Anyone is eligible to submit. Massachusetts AIA firm members receive special pricing. AIA New York, AIA Brooklyn, AIA Bronx, AIA Queens, AIA Staten Island, AIA Long Island, AIA Peconic, and AIA Westchester + Hudson Valley receive special pricing for the Residential Design category. Associate AIA members and other unlicensed design professionals, including interior architects or interior designers, may submit projects that do not require the stamp of a licensed professional.
Location Eligibility	Projects by New England design professionals may be located anywhere. Projects by others must be located in New England. Residential Design Awards: Projects by architects based in New England and New York’s Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City may be located anywhere. Projects by others must be located in New England or New York’s Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City.
Award Eligibility	Projects may be eligible for Honor, Merit or Citation for Design for Resiliency or Design for Well-being, for example.

UNBUILT

Unbuilt architectural designs of any project type are eligible including purely theoretical projects and unbuilt client-sponsored projects (buildings, interiors, infrastructure, monuments, etc.). Projects under construction or otherwise apparently assured of construction are ineligible. Firms may re-enter projects previously submitted if they did not win an award. Projects that have been honored by Design Awards juries are ineligible, as is work by jurors or by their firms.

Project Eligibility	Projects must have been <u>initiated</u> within the past 3 years; January 1, 2018 - December 31, 2021.
Submitter Eligibility	Anyone is eligible to submit. Massachusetts AIA firm members receive special pricing.
Location Eligibility	Projects and designers may be located anywhere in the world.
Award Eligibility	Projects may be eligible for Honor, Merit or Citation for Design for Resiliency or Design for Well-being, for example, or for a Social Solution or Strategy.

2022 CATEGORIES

The BSA Design Awards program seeks submissions in the following categories for 2022. Projects may be entered in more than one category. To enter in more than one category entrants must register the project separately in each desired category.

Criteria for all categories include:

- Inspiration: Does the project tell a story about building components, process or impact that is relevant and inspiring?
- Creative Problem-Solving: What unique problems was the project asked to address? Is the relevance and value of design thinking evident in the submission?
- Social Transformation/Response: How does the project respond to its social, historical, and physical context?
- Environmental Impact: Does the project exhibit serious intent to minimize negative environmental impacts and enhance the natural environment? Are metrics, narratives, diagrams, sketches, or other clear evidence provided of both modeled and actual performance?

Campus and Urban Planning

The Campus and Urban Planning category encompasses architecture's true value and promise to communities. Campus planning and urban design share increasingly similar goals. They strive to be more inclusive, center economic development, and include community voices in the planning process. The best planning methods consider the entire built environment, local culture, and available resources.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

Submission deadline: September 9, 2022 | 11:59 PM

Healthcare Facilities Design

From advancing equipment technologies to patient population base services, healthcare facility needs are evolving rapidly. The entire healthcare system is under great pressure to reduce costs, increase responsiveness, and adapt to the unexpected.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

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Interior Architecture and Spatial Design

Working from the inside out, spatial design considers how spaces feel, how they are organized, and how they enrich the lives of those who experience them. By understanding the user experience, impactful building interiors contribute to our health and well-being as well as our communities. They offer healing, reflection, and a place for commerce, while also exploring reuse and carbon neutral design.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

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K-12 Education Facilities Design

Well-designed education facilities motivate students to think creatively, inspiring them to help build a better world.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

Submission deadline: September 16, 2022 | 11:59 PM



Residential Design

Housing isn't just about façades; it also fosters a sense of comfort, security, and livability. Single-family (one- to four-unit dwellings) detached residential construction projects are eligible for this award.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

Projects by architects based in New England and New York's Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City may be located anywhere. Projects by others must be located in New England or New York's Hudson Valley, Long Island, and the Boroughs of New York City.

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Unbuilt Architecture and Design

Conviction and sincere passion are necessary for architects to tell stories with their emerging ideas and creative projects. Envisioning the unbuilt allows designers to imagine the innovative projects they would like to see- from creating community to coastal development.

This award invites unbuilt projects of all types and welcomes the speculative, the unbuildable, the theoretical, and the critical. Unbuilt architectural designs of any project type are eligible including purely theoretical projects and unbuilt client-sponsored projects (buildings, interiors, infrastructure, monuments, etc.). Projects under construction or otherwise apparently assured of construction are ineligible.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

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Honor Awards for Design Excellence

Architects and the built environment strive to exemplify design excellence through engaging, listening, and questioning. As architects and designers, we leverage the power of design to create innovative and new design ideas that address issues of sustainability and social equity.

Projects should highlight attributes which successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or usage.

Submission deadline: September 23, 2022 | 11:59 PM



Utile, Inc. Image courtesy of Anton Grassl

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All entries must be anonymous. Your name and/or firm name should not appear anywhere except where indicated on the entry form.

Please submit all components as requested below. Submission materials to be reviewed by the jurors must remain anonymous (no firm names listed). Those checklist items that jurors will not review will be used by the BSA to celebrate winning projects online and at the annual BSA Awards Gala.

In general, we encourage precise and focus on the big picture impact. The narrative should include program requirements, sustainability goals, and design solutions. This includes achieving at least one measure of the AIA Framework for Design Excellence.

BUILT AWARDS

What will jurors review?

- Project narrative addressing (250 words or fewer) — at least one of the ten Framework for Design Excellence principles
 - Submit as text input or selection in digital submission platform fields
- Statement of Design Excellence (100 words or fewer) – describing the project’s approach to sustainability through design. How does the project use architectural design to benefit the occupants, community, and planet?
- Client Impact Statement (100 words or fewer) – connecting your values with your clients’ goals
- Digital project PDF portfolio uploaded to digital submission platform
 - 20 pages maximum
 - Be no larger than 25 MB
 - Orientation can be either horizontal or vertical
 - Formatted to allow for 8.5" x 11" printing
 - Should include:
 - Project narrative (250 words or fewer)
 - Project images with captions and credits
 - Annotated site and building plans

What won't jurors review?

- Entrant information—firm demographics and disadvantaged business enterprise certification
- Entrant information-- declaration of AIA 2030 Commitment
- Up to 20 images—photographs and annotated site and building plans
 - Minimum 2000 pixels wide and 300 dpi
 - Must include photographer credit in file name
- Photographs should not include text
- Submit as .jpg, .tif, or .png files uploaded to digital submission platform
- Credit list that must include names and locations for associated architecture firms, the contractor or construction manager, photographers, and all other consultants
 - Submit as text input in digital submission platform fields
- Credit list that indicates all associated architecture firms, contractors and construction managers, photographers, and all other consultants that are certified Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs) and Women’s Business Enterprises (WBEs)
- Affirmation of Intern Declaration Policy
- Affirmation of AIA Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct
- Consent to the Boston Society of Architects/AIA statement on equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Entry fee

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UNBUILT AWARDS

What will jurors review?

- Project narrative (250 words or fewer)
- Digital project PDF portfolio uploaded to digital submission platform
 - Be no more than 2 20" x 20" digital boards
 - Be no larger than 25 MB
 - Orientation can be either horizontal or vertical
 - Formatted to allow for 8.5" x 11" printing

What won't jurors review?

- Project description (same as portfolio project description)
 - 250 words or fewer
 - Submit as .doc uploaded to digital submission platform
- Up to 20 images—photographs and annotated site and building plans
 - Minimum 2000 pixels wide and 300 dpi
 - Must include photographer credit in file name
 - Photographs should not include text
 - Submit as .jpg, .tif, or .png files uploaded to digital submission platform
- Credit list that must include names and locations for associated architecture firms, the contractor or construction manager, photographers, and all other consultants
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Door County Granary Renovation designed by LA DALLMAN. Image courtesy of LA DALLMAN

RESOURCES

Questions?

Please refer to our [Design Awards Resources and FAQ page](#) for additional information, including sample submission forms and useful resources to assist with your submission

For technical support with submissions, please e-mail awards@architects.org

For general questions about submitting, or about the Awards Program, please contact Patricia Olshan:

e: polshan@architects.org p: 617-391-4017

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

Disclaimer

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