

2023 BSA Design Awards: What Submitters need to know

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Agenda

- BSA + Design Awards + Why They Matter
- 2023 Overview:
 - Changes + What's New, Schedule + Deadlines, Fees Submission
 - Platform, Requirements + Criteria, Jury Process
- AIA Framework for Design Excellence + Common App Overview
- Best Practices for crafting an Award-Winning Submission
- Resources
- Q+A: What more do you need to know?

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Submitters

*I didn't read the CFE closely enough and the project was actually not eligible. **Clearer submission instructions needed***

*The **process has continued to become more onerous with regard to the information required.***

We don't have the resources to compile metrics (or our clients aren't interested)

How can we encourage residential design to engage with metrics?

*More info on the criteria is needed. **Metrics! Budgets! Demographics!***

What energy are we awarding?

How are projects responding to a problem?

*Focus more on **Experience Design***

Jurors

BSA + Design Awards + Why They Matter

- **Systemic change requires deep partnerships to influence broader ecosystems.**
Recognize the work of our community and invested clients
- **Progress demands diverse perspectives.**
All project types – by all size firms – are invited.
- **Climate and equity are connected.**
Common App supports evaluations how projects respond to sustainability, reduce carbon emissions, and promote healthy communities.
- **For true impact, we need action and audacity.**
think big and take risks on innovative solutions
- **Transformative work is never done.**
imagine and build desirable futures through continuous collaboration and experimentation

Changes + What's New

- **Elimination of yearly cycles.** All project building types can be submitted.
- **Restructure main categories.** Projects can be submitted under Built Design Excellence or Small Firms “divisions” or main categories. These are both considered a previous “Honor Award for Design Excellence” category.
- **Unbuilt Planning & Design includes 2 categories:** Conceptual (theoretical) and Planning (initiated).
- **Project Narrative** is the big picture, addressing Impact Advancement concentrations.
- **Elimination of Accessible Design Award Category.** Built projects may be considered for a MAAB Award recognition.
- **Elimination of Sustainability Award Category.** Accessibility and Sustainability are human rights that should be embedded in all design work.
- **Common App.** Worksheet for performance assessment goals and providing space to tell the project’s sustainability story.

Changes + What's New cont.

- **Two-phase Jury.** Built Design Excellence and Small Firms projects will be reviewed first by a Technical Jury (Common App metrics & narratives) – who advance projects to a final Design Jury for awards.
- **Award levels:** Honor, Merit, and Impact Advancement Commendation
- **Categories & number of awards.** The number of awards granted – and for all categories – shall be at the sole discretion of the juries. Additionally, juries may decide that awards not be granted for every category or every concentration.
- **Resources, tools....**

2023 Schedule + Deadlines

June 15: Design Awards submissions opens

August: Design Awards “Office Hours”

September 15: Submissions close



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- Built Design Excellence
- Small Firms
- Unbuilt Planning & Design

September – November: Jury Deliberations

December: Winners notified

December – January: Announcements & Recognitions

January: Ceremony & Celebration

2024: Impact Recognitions (rolling)

2023 Submission Fees

	BSA Firm Members	Non-BSA Members	Assoc. AIA or Student
Built Design Excellence	\$275	\$550	-
Small Firms	\$175	\$350	
Unbuilt Architecture & Planning	\$150	\$300	\$100

- Payment is due at checkout for your submission to be completed (**before 11:59:59pm September 15!**)
- Additional submissions (in same or different category) require additional fee.
- Assoc. AIA or Student discount: contact BSA

(Previous) Design Awards Categories

2022

- Campus Planning & Urban Design
- Healthcare Facilities Design
- Interior Architecture
- K-12 Education Facilities Design
- Residential Design

Alternating Years

- Accessible Design
- Higher Education Facilities Design
- Hospitality Design
- Housing Design
- Small Firms Design

Annual

- *Harleston Parker Medal*
- Honor Awards for Design Excellence
- ~~Sustainable Design~~
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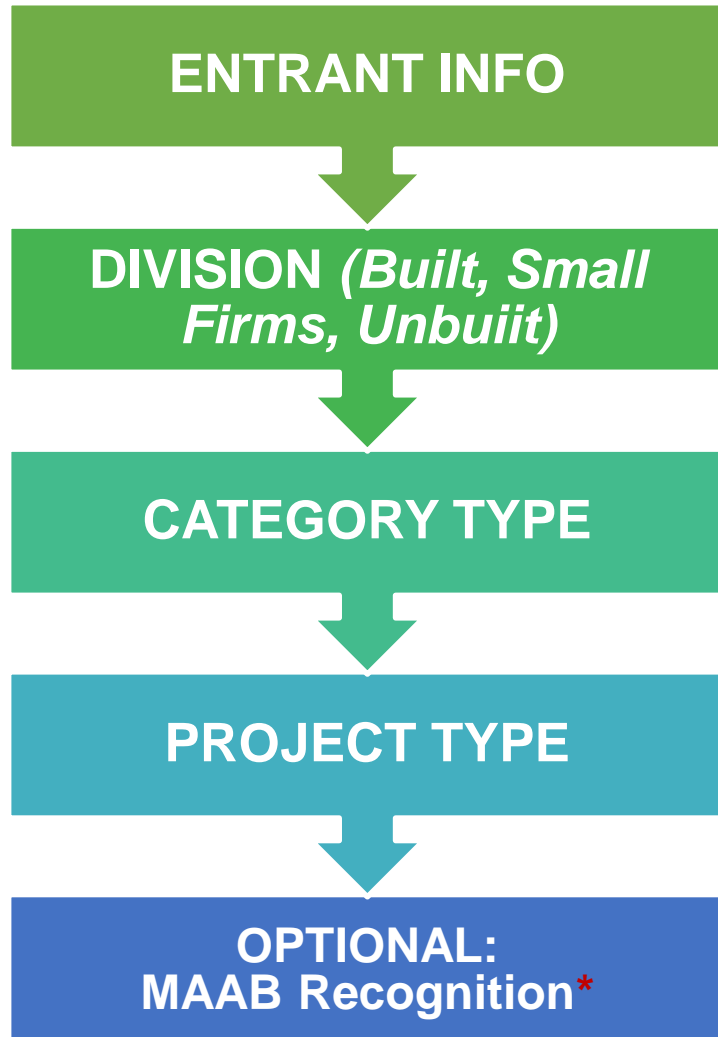
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 - All types
- Small Firms
 - All types
- Unbuilt Planning & Design
 - Conceptual & Planning
- *Harleston Parker Medal*

Submission Requirements: Built Design Excellence & Small Firms

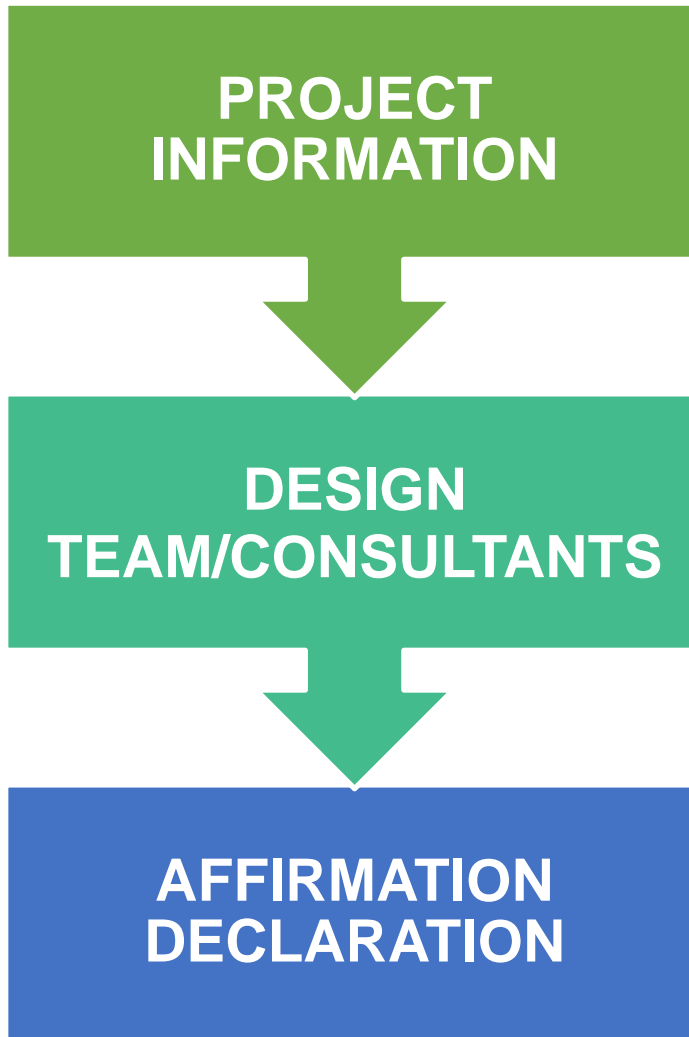
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 - Firm name, submitters name, membership, etc.
- Project information
 - Select Division and category
 - Project eligibility: **Completed** January 1, 2017 – December 31, 2022 (**5 years**)
 - For Urban Design/Planning, “initiated” or an incomplete project, where a significant portion has been completed, implemented, or adopted
 - Eligibility: Projects by NE professionals may be located anywhere; projects by others must be located in NE
- Upload Digital project portfolio
- Upload completed Common App
- Upload Project narrative and images
- Project team credits
- Project affirmations, submission, payment

Submission Requirements: Unbuilt

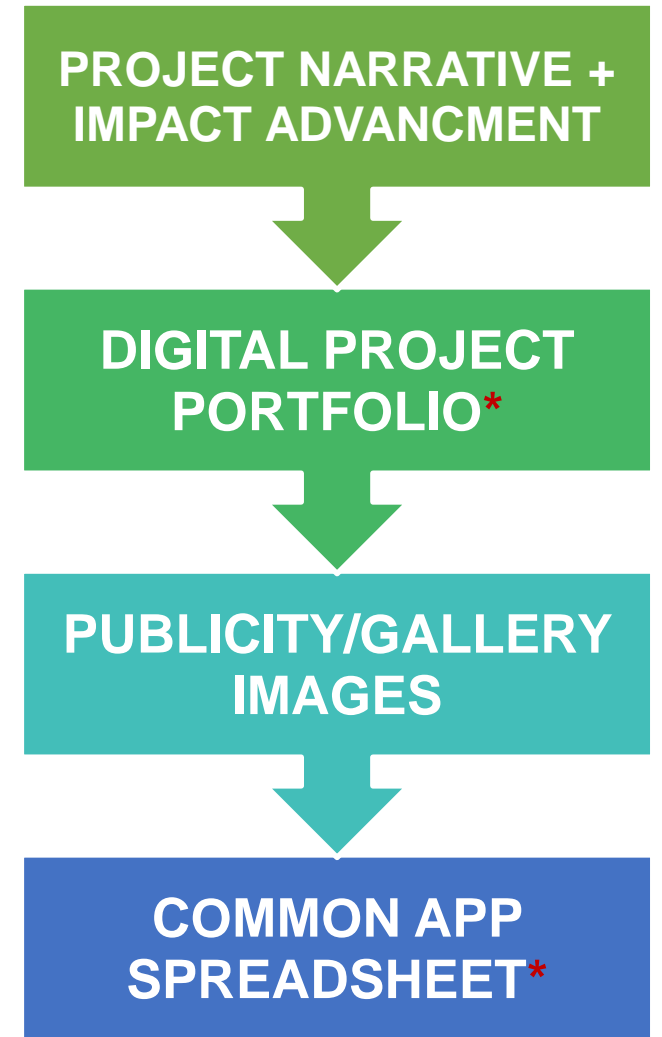
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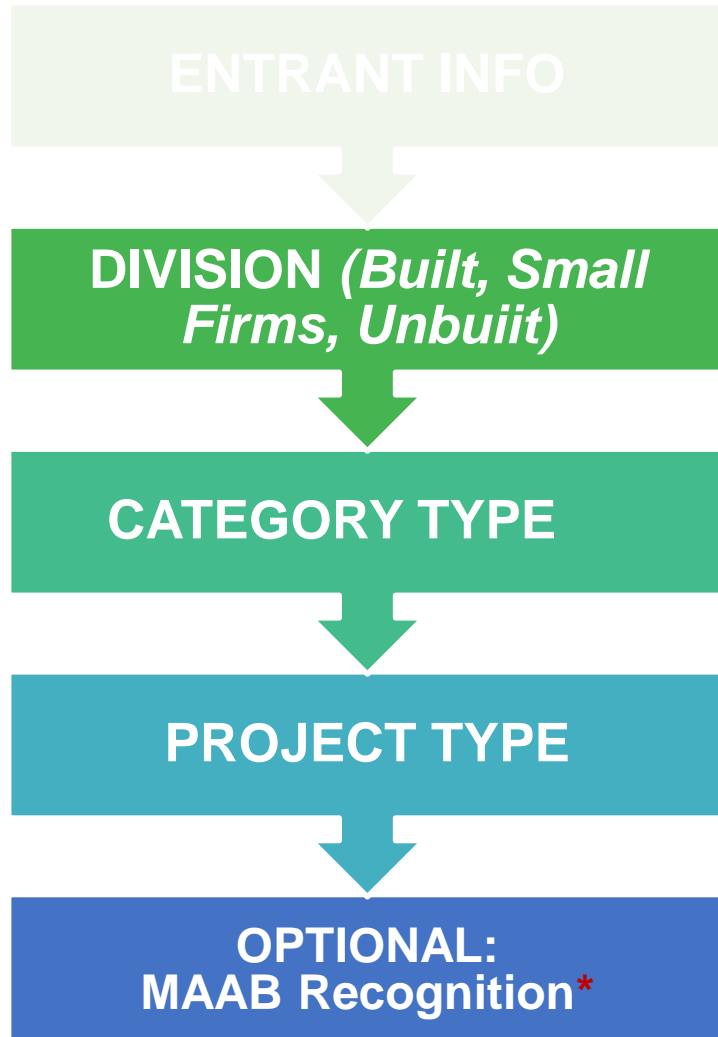
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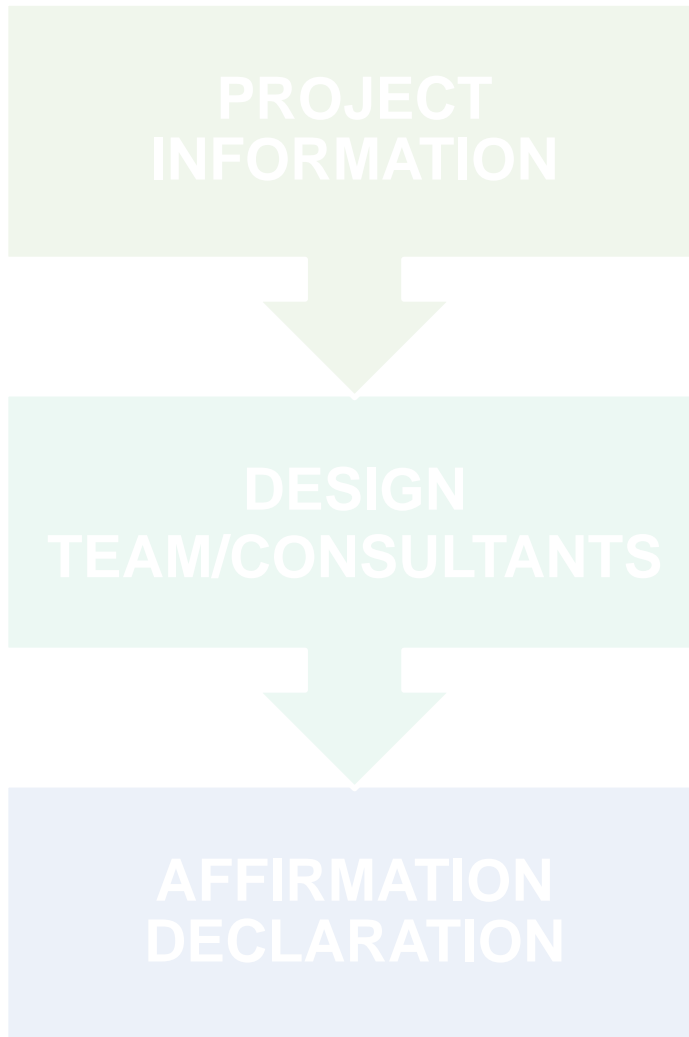
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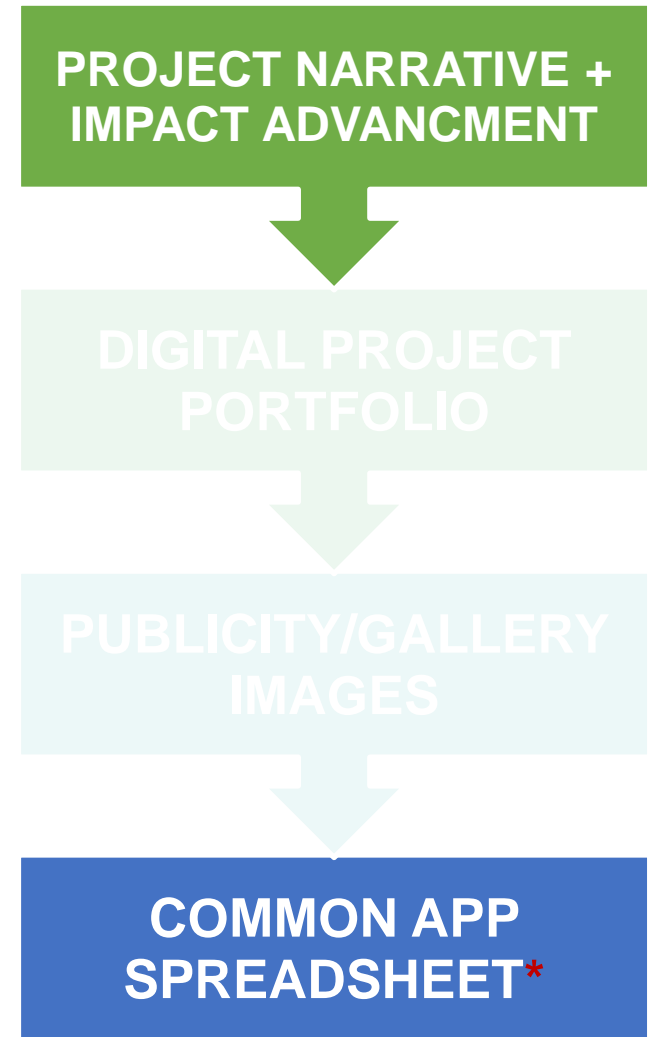
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2023 BSA Design Awards

The BSA Design Awards program celebrates exemplary innovation in the built environment, investment from committed clients, and the unique power of architecture to design buildings and spaces that transform communities and shape the way we live. The BSA honors projects that embody the values of the [AIA Framework for Design Excellence](#) and the BSA's vision of building a just and sustainable Boston, together.

Architecture is ever evolving. Architects play important roles in leveraging the power of design to create innovative processes and new design ideas that create positive social and environmental impact.

The **2023 BSA's Design Awards** program invites visions of varying scales and resources that **challenge practice, lead sustainability progress, and broaden conversations** about resilience in design.

You can begin submitting here.

Check out the **2022 Design Awards** winning projects and firms, featured [here](#).

2023 categories and deadlines

The BSA Design Awards program no longer runs on cycles, so you may submit projects of any type for consideration.

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All Submissions

Program	Round	Submission #	Category	Title	Status	Action
2023 BSA Design Awards	Main	2680	Built Design Excellence > Civic & Cultural Facilities	Blue oranges	Complete	View Copy Submission Withdraw Print
2023 BSA Design Awards	Main	2681	Built Design Excellence > Housing	popcorn	Complete	View Copy Submission Withdraw Print

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Project Name *

Character count: 28 / 30 (3 min)

Do not include firm, practitioner, or client name in project name (unless it is within the name, ie. "Jane Smith University")

What Submitters Need to Know

Division *

Please select the award division to which you wish to apply.

(select) ▼

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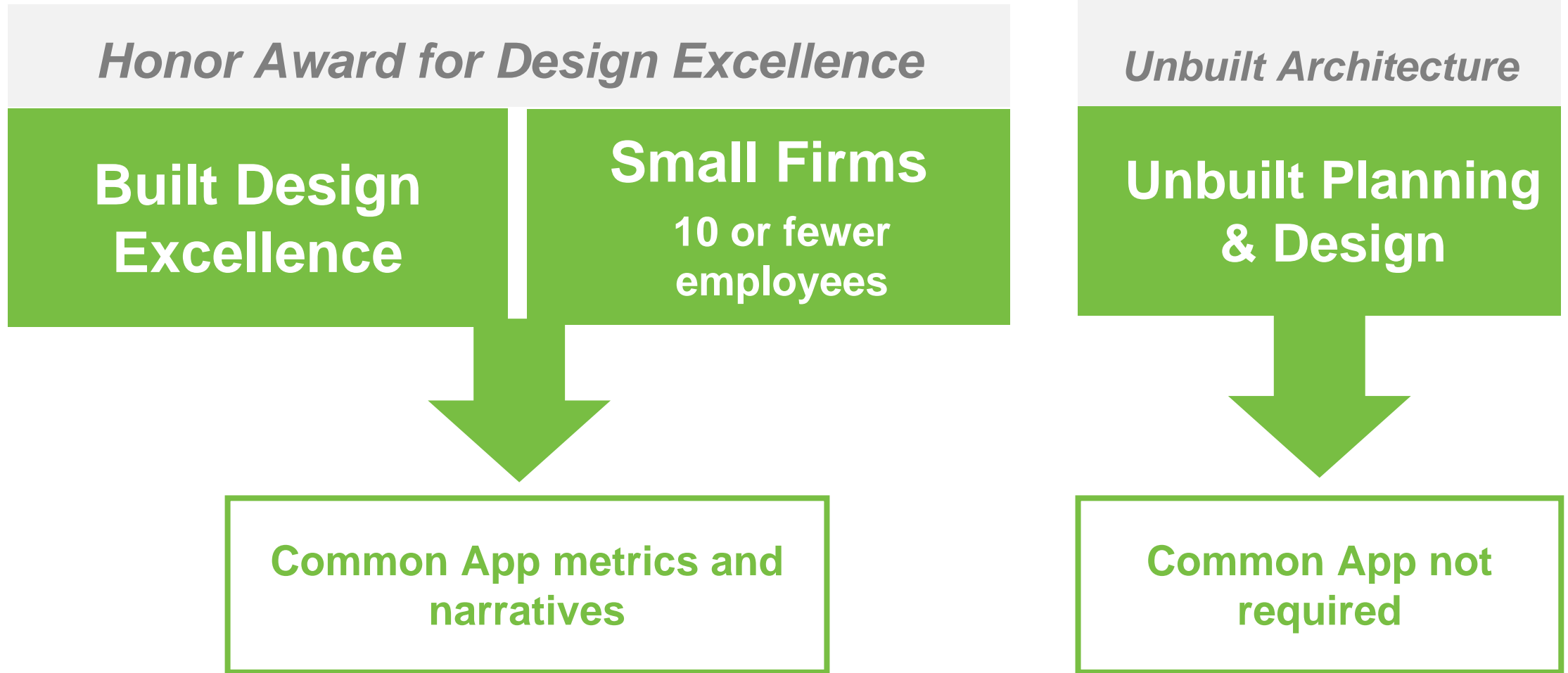
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Please select the award division to which you wish to apply.

(select)

Built Design Excellence
Small Firms
Unbuilt Planning & Design

Select: Divisions (aka Main Categories)



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Built Design Excellence

Background: We believe that innovation in the build environment is key to tackling the greatest challenges facing Boston, including the rising threat of climate change. In recognition of the new ways architects are designing sustainable spaces, the BSA is incorporating the Common App for Design Excellence worksheet, as a means for performance assessment goals and providing space for all submitters to tell the project's sustainability story.

Criteria: Project submissions should include a robust approach to sustainability addressing environmental, social, and economic factors. Projects that contain at least one project that has successfully reduced the carbon footprint of the architecture, construction, or use should attempt to highlight those aspects within their entry submission.

Eligibility: Submissions may be a single building, a related group of buildings, in

(select)

- Adaptive reuse, Renovation, or Historic Preservation
- Civic & Cultural Facilities
- Commercial
- Educational Facilities
- Housing
- Institutional Facilities:
- Interior Architecture
- Other
- Urban Design & Master Planning

Select: Category Type

**Built Design
Excellence
Small Firms**

- Adaptive reuse, Renovation, or Historic Preservation
- Civic & Cultural Facilities
- Commercial
- Educational Facilities
- Housing
- Institutional Facilities
- Interior Architecture
- **Other**
- Urban Design & Master Planning

**Unbuilt Planning &
Design**

- Conceptual
- Planning

Project Categories Overview *

The project type you select is for consideration only. At the jury's discretion, award recognition in any category may be given to as many or as few projects as are deemed worthy by the jury. The jury's decisions are final and not subject to review.

If your project type is not listed, select "other" and enter the type. Juries will evaluate and may group projects accordingly.

As submissions are subject to varying degrees of opportunity, constraint, and budget, each entry will be judged for the success with which it has met its individual requirements.

Project Type *

Educational Facilities

Educational Facilities

- K-12 Education Facilities
- HigherEducation Facilities
- Other ([Clear Selection](#))

Other: Please Specify *

Project Design *

Select: Project Type

Built Design
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- Adaptive Reuse, Renovation or Historic Preservation
- Civic & Cultural Facilities:
 - Community Centers
 - Libraries
 - Museum
- Commercial:
 - Hospitality
 - Retail
 - Office/Workplace Spaces
- Educational Facilities:
 - K-12 Education Facilities
 - Higher Education Facilities
- Housing
 - Single Family/Residential
 - Multi-Family/Residential
 - Specialized Housing
 - Mixed Use
- Institutional Facilities:
 - Healthcare Facilities
 - Life Science Facilities
 - Interior Architecture
 - Urban Design & Master Planning
 - Other

Project Types

Civic & Cultural Facilities: Spaces rooted in communities: libraries, municipal, museums,

Commercial: Hotels, offices, and retail spaces (including Hospitality Design)

Healthcare: hospitals, ambulatory care facilities, medical office buildings, and in-school clinics. *Other: childcare, and similar facilities*

Higher Education Facilities: private or public; community colleges or universities

Interiors: Projects that accounts for the functionality, safety, and understanding of people and activities

K-12: private or public; pre-K, elementary, and secondary education facilities

Life Science Facilities: office, laboratory, research or manufacturing facilities

Mixed Use Housing: space that blends residential, commercial, industrial, entertainment into one space.

Multi-Family/Residential: residential space intended for two or more families, consisting of 4 or more units.

Single-family/Residential: (one- to four-unit dwellings) detached residential construction projects

Specialized Housing: Housing that meets the unique needs: student/faculty housing, elderly and supportive housing, homeless housing, and single room occupancy residences.

Unbuilt: purely theoretical or initiated developments

****Other: If your project type is not listed, you may enter it here for consideration. Juries will review and may decide to place the submission in a category.**

Select: Project Type

Unbuilt Planning &
Design



Conceptual:

- Purely theoretical

Planning (Initiated):

Projects initiated within the past 5 years: between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2022

- Planning
- Placemaking design
- Strategic plans
- Guidelines
- Infrastructure
- Tools
- Processes

Select: MAAB Award Recognition (Built Design Excellence & Small Firms)

In support of the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB), submissions may be eligible for accessible design achievement for:

- A. Thomas P. Hopkins Memorial Award projects are public buildings and facilities to which Massachusetts statute 521 CMR applies.
- B. Private Residential projects address an individual's personal accessibility needs.
- C. William D. Smith Memorial Award projects integrate accessibility with historic preservation.

Entries will be judged in part on effectiveness in integrating the specific access solution into the overall project design. Successful projects integrate and exceed the legal requirements for accessibility with features that anticipate diverse user needs and benefits, and are demonstrated within your project submission.

Would you like your project to be considered for these award recognitions?

- Yes**
- No**

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Project Narrative

Conceal or omit all references to the architecture firm or architect on all materials submitted. Including these references may disqualify your submission.

Describe the story of both the design and the impact process (including team engagement), including concepts and considerations, as well as lessons learned, addressing at least one impact advancement concentration, if the project qualifies.

Your project narrative should be 250 words maximum and the same as the one you use in your digital project portfolio. This is the narrative that will introduce your project to the jurors, who have limited time with each project.

Upload: Project Narrative

- Same for **Built Design Excellence, Small Firms, and Unbuilt Planning & Design**
- 250 words maximum
- **Conceal or omit** all references to the firm or architect
- Upload as a **WORD** doc (.doc or .docx)
- Same as the one you use in your **digital project portfolio**
- **Big picture:** focus on the process effects, concepts, program requirements, lessons learned, etc.
- Address at least one **Impact Advancement Concentration**, if the project qualifies
- Use the **Framework metrics** (if applicable) to support your narrative

Impact Advancements

Social Advancement

- *Community Engagement*
- *Community Benefit*
- *Economic Disparity*
- *Health Outcomes*
- *Educational Inequity*

Technical Advancement

- *Technical elements of building design, including engineering achievements.*
- *Technology that greatly improved collaboration, innovation, and creativity.*
- *Technology that resulted in improved economic, environmental, or social outcomes of the project.*

Environmental Advancement

- *Excellence in demonstrating ecological stewardship*
- *Demonstrating efforts to reduce energy use in occupancy of the building.*
- *Innovative solutions reducing embodied energy/carbon use in the building's design and construction.*

Upload: Project Portfolios (or Boards)

BUILT & SMALL FIRMS

- Do not include the project category
- No longer than 10 pages
- Uploaded as a PDF
- No larger than 25 MB
- File to be named: **ProjectName_01.pdf** - **no longer than 60 characters**
- Include images and plans with captions
- **Include a Project Narrative no longer than 250 words.**
- **Do NOT include firm or client name**

UNBUILT

- No more than THREE (3) 20" x 20" boards
- Uploaded as a PDF
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Common App for Design Excellence *

BSA Design Awards follows the AIA's Framework for Design Excellence criteria using the Common App. Submittals are encouraged to highlight project performance through narratives and metrics in the Common App.

The Common App worksheet will be the first elements that the Technical jury will see for every submission. Each project will be reviewed by a Technical Review Jury within project types; reviewing each project's success in achieving sustainability and building decarbonization goals. Recommendations with average scores, along with technical review comments, will be forwarded to a Design Jury for final awards. (Important note: providing incorrect information or failing to provide information will result in a lower technical review score; jurors are less likely to give awards to lower scoring projects)

While submissions **do not** need to address all the measures included in the Common App, applicants should highlight relevant performance data and narratives that are applicable to their specific projects. At least **3 out of 10** measures must be addressed in **narratives** portion.

The BSA recognizes that some of the framework's measures may be less relevant to a specific project, and that metrics may be difficult or impossible to acquire. A submission will not be penalized if the project's scope simply does not address a certain measure or if the design team and/or submitting personnel lack performance

Upload: Common App worksheet

- Required for **all** categories, **except** for Unbuilt
- Worksheet should be **downloaded as an .xlsx file**
- Each submission will be reviewed by a Technical review jury **within** project categories & types.
- All information shall be anonymous - **Do NOT include firm name**
- **Upload completed file**, to be named: **ProjectName_CommonApp.xlsx**
- **Do not need to address all the measures**
 - At least **3 out of 10** measures must be addressed in **narratives** portion.
 - **Highlight** relevant performance data and narratives that are **applicable to their specific projects**.
- If you do not have building performance data to share, **do not leave the Common App field blank**. Mark “NA” in the fields as needed.

Common App worksheet

9. Design for Change

How does the project design anticipate adapting to new uses, adapt to climate change, and support resilient recovery from disasters? www.aia.org/showcases/6082636-design-for-resources

Design for Change *

What is the designed lifespan of the building? (express as years using a number)

Design for Change *


Is the project planned for long term resiliency and use, adaptation to future hazards?

Yes
 No

Design for Change *

Which of the following best describes the projects' ability to survive without utility power?

2021-2022



**Measure 9
Design for Change**

What is the designed lifespan of the building?
Was the building designed for disassembly?
Was future flexibility design into the program?
Can the building remain useful for the short term without utility power?
Has the design considered the impact of climatic change over the building?
Identity a local risk that the project has been designed to mitigate

Common Application Output

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Submission Requirements: Images

Conceal or omit all references to the architecture firm or architect on all materials submitted. Including these references may disqualify your submission!

- 10 images max (5 minimum)
- Uploaded as .tif or .jpg (preferred) files
 - 2000 pixels wide and 300 dpi minimum
- Name image files using the following convention: #ProjectName_PhotographerName
 - Submit in order of preference for publication
 - If there is no photographer, credit the image to the firm (or other appropriate party)

Submission Requirements: Project Team Credits

- List names as: Firm Name (First & Last Name Contact). Separate each name with a semicolon and space (B Smith; A Jones; etc)
- Separate each email address with a semicolon and space (me@me.com; you@you.com; etc.)
- If not applicable, please enter "none."

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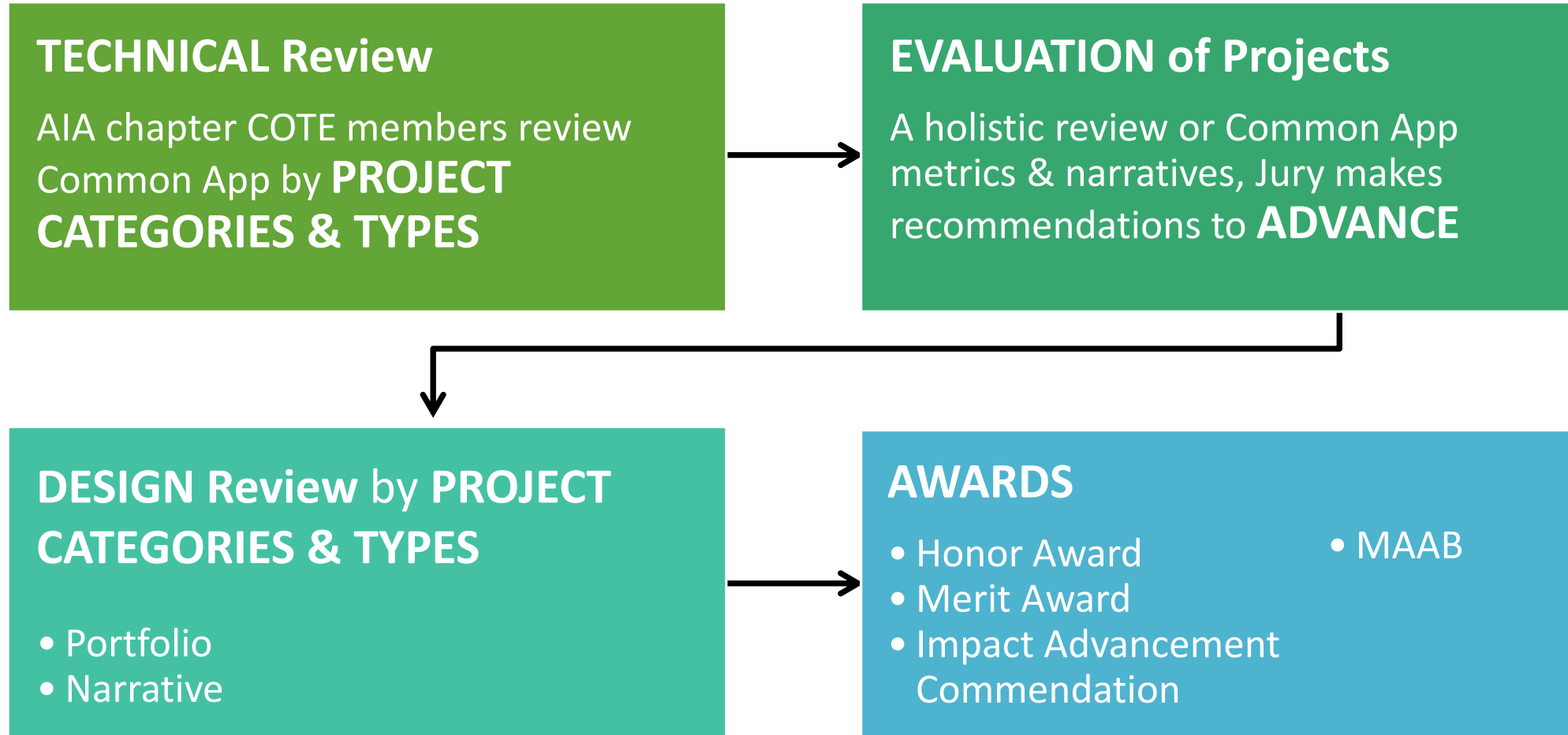
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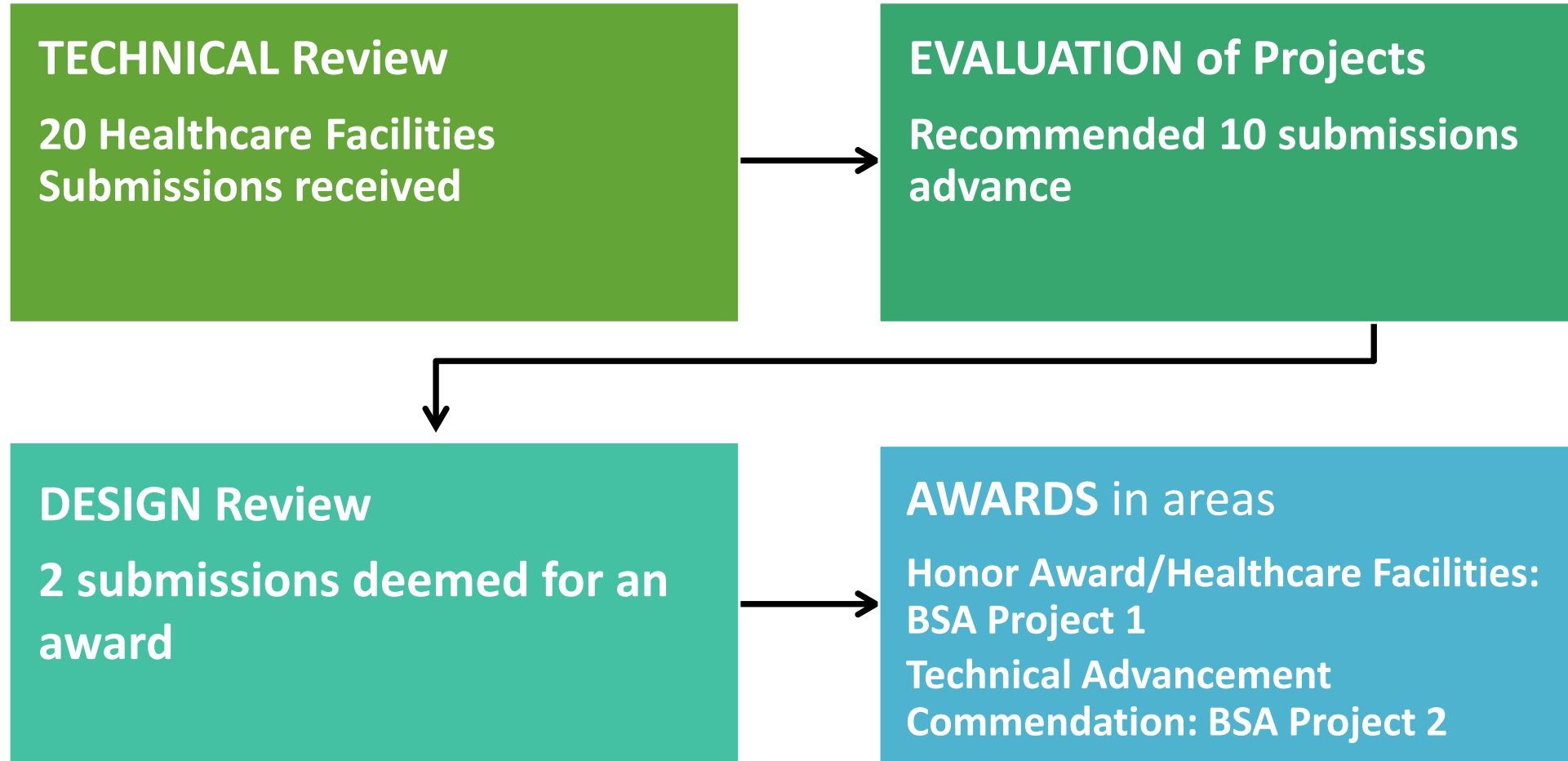
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Jury & Awards Process



Example Outcomes



Jury & Awards Process - Unbuilt

DESIGN Review

By CATEGORY

CRITERIA:

- Digital Boards
- Narrative



AWARDS

- Honor Award
- Merit Award
- Impact Advancement Commendation

2023 Design Awards Resources & FAQ

2023 DESIGN AWARDS RESOURCES & FAQ'S

DATES & DETAILS

Deadline for all Design Awards: FF

ELIGIBILITY

Q: Who is eligible to submit?

A: Anyone meeting eligibility requirements. Special pricing for all categories. Associate Architectural Planning & Design category.

Associate AIA members and other users

Sample Built Design Excellence & Small Firms Application

Review submission application questions.

[2023 Built Design Excellence Small Firms Submission Form Template](#)

Sample Unbuilt Planning & Design Application

Review submission application questions.

[2023 Unbuilt Design Planning Submission Form Template](#)

- BSA Design Awards Resources and FAQ page: [architects.org/design-awards-resources-faq](https://www.architects.org/design-awards-resources-faq)
- Design Awards Submission Library: [architects.org/design-awards-submission-library](https://www.architects.org/design-awards-submission-library)



DESIGN AWARDS SUBMISSION LIBRARY

Find past BSA Design Awards submission portfolios for review here.

WINNING SUBMISSION PORTFOLIOS

You may find a (growing) library of winning BSA Design Awards submissions here and check out winning projects here.

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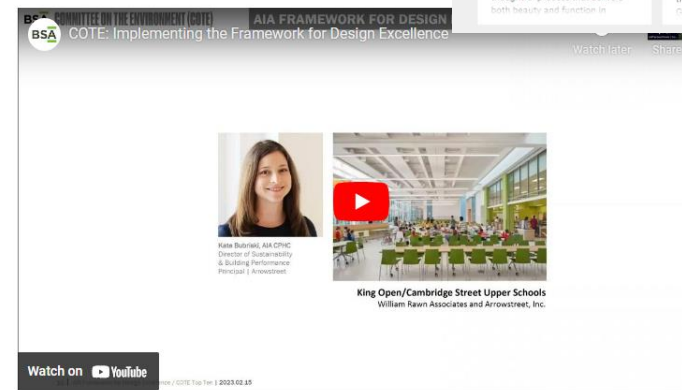
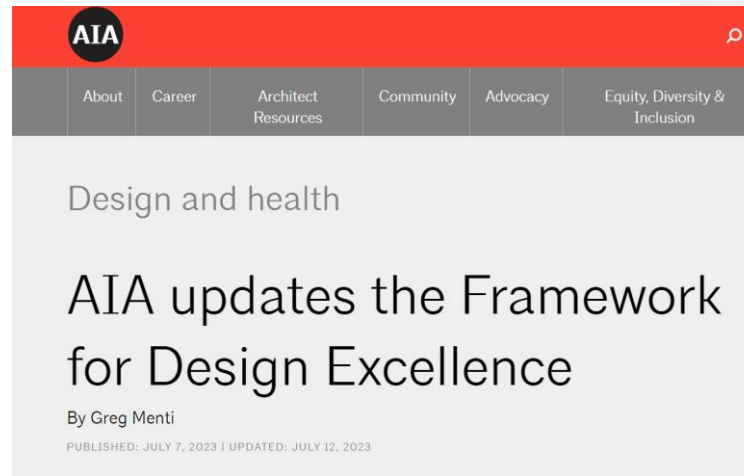
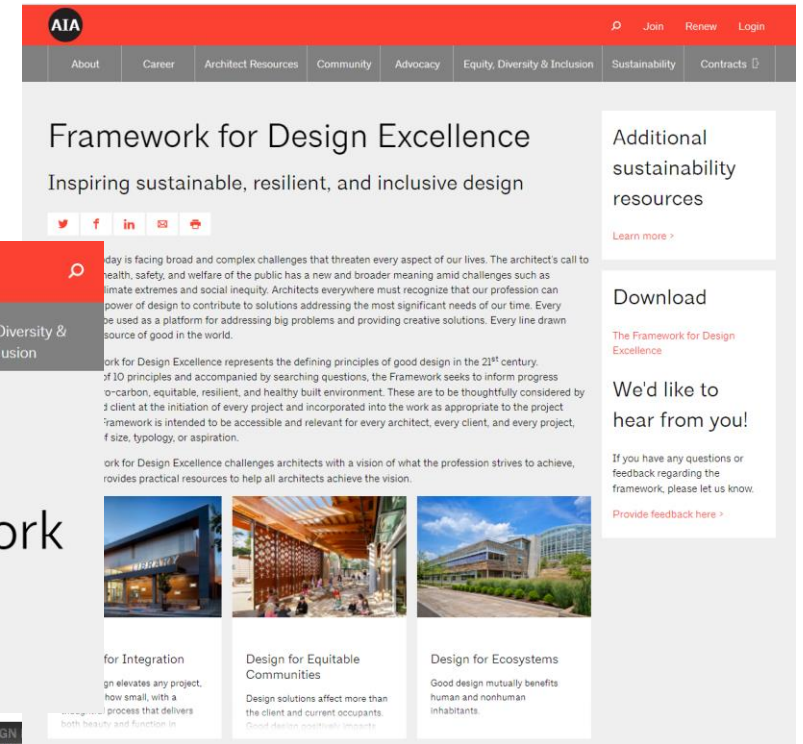
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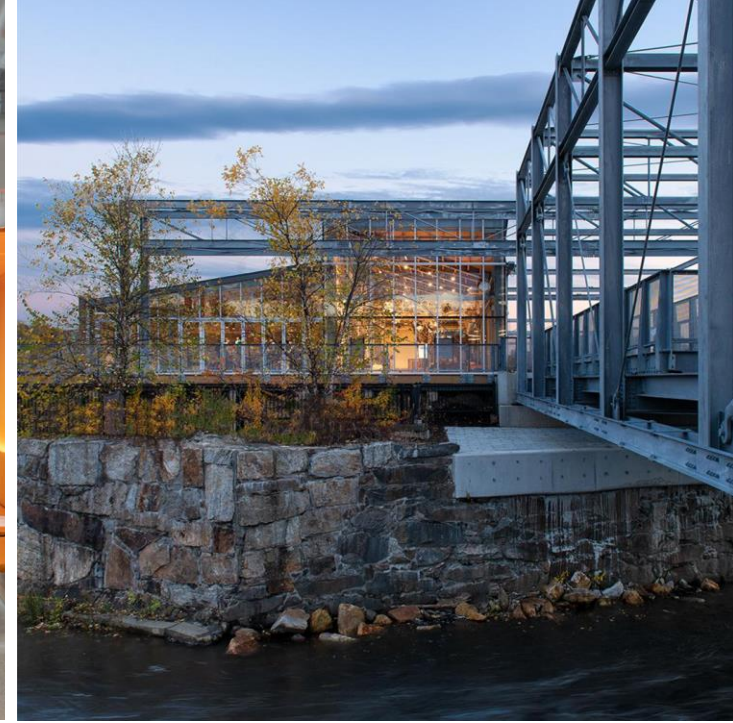
Resources & FAQ

- AIA Framework for Design Excellence:
aia.org/resources/6077668-framework-for-design-excellence
- BSA Committee on the Environment:
<https://www.architects.org/knowledge-communities/committee-on-the-environment-cote>



**COTE:
IMPLEMENTING
THE FRAMEWORK
FOR DESIGN
EXCELLENCE**

February 15, 2023



designLAB architects
a women-owned firm.

clients
civic
cultural
education
contexts
historic
mid-century
contemporary

studio
15 architects + designers
4 partners
2 directors
9 staff
2 marketing + communications
1 director
1 intern

the old way
raffle ticket approach

mad dash the week before the award is due, submit
as many as possible, and hope for the best

the change:

dive deep rather than spread thin

evaluate potential submissions based on the project's
beauty, sustainability, and story and select one



worcester blackstone visitors center

process text

1. identify the challenge and solution
2. develop thesis
3. create position statements on design, sustainability, and impact



pilot worcester blackstone visitor center

Thesis: The Worcester Blackstone Visitor Center creates a historic site without existing artifacts, through the thoughtful selection of new materials, the use of reclaimed materials, and industrial iconography.

Challenge: To create a place that communicates a history, when all of the artifacts of that history have been erased.

Design: Historical references via the shape of the building; material reuse; new materials the reference old; recreating the feeling of a large industrial campus through site elements

Sustainability: The site and building recognize and remedy the industrial damage done to the site through sustainable design strategies, transforming the toxic site through conscious decision-making regarding plantings, land usage, materials, and building systems.

Community: The Worcester Blackstone Visitor Center creates a place of healing for the community, as well— those mistreated by industrial processes now have a place to gather, learn, and share stories of their descendents who worked in mills, as well as indigenous peoples who were displaced by the area's industrial expansion.

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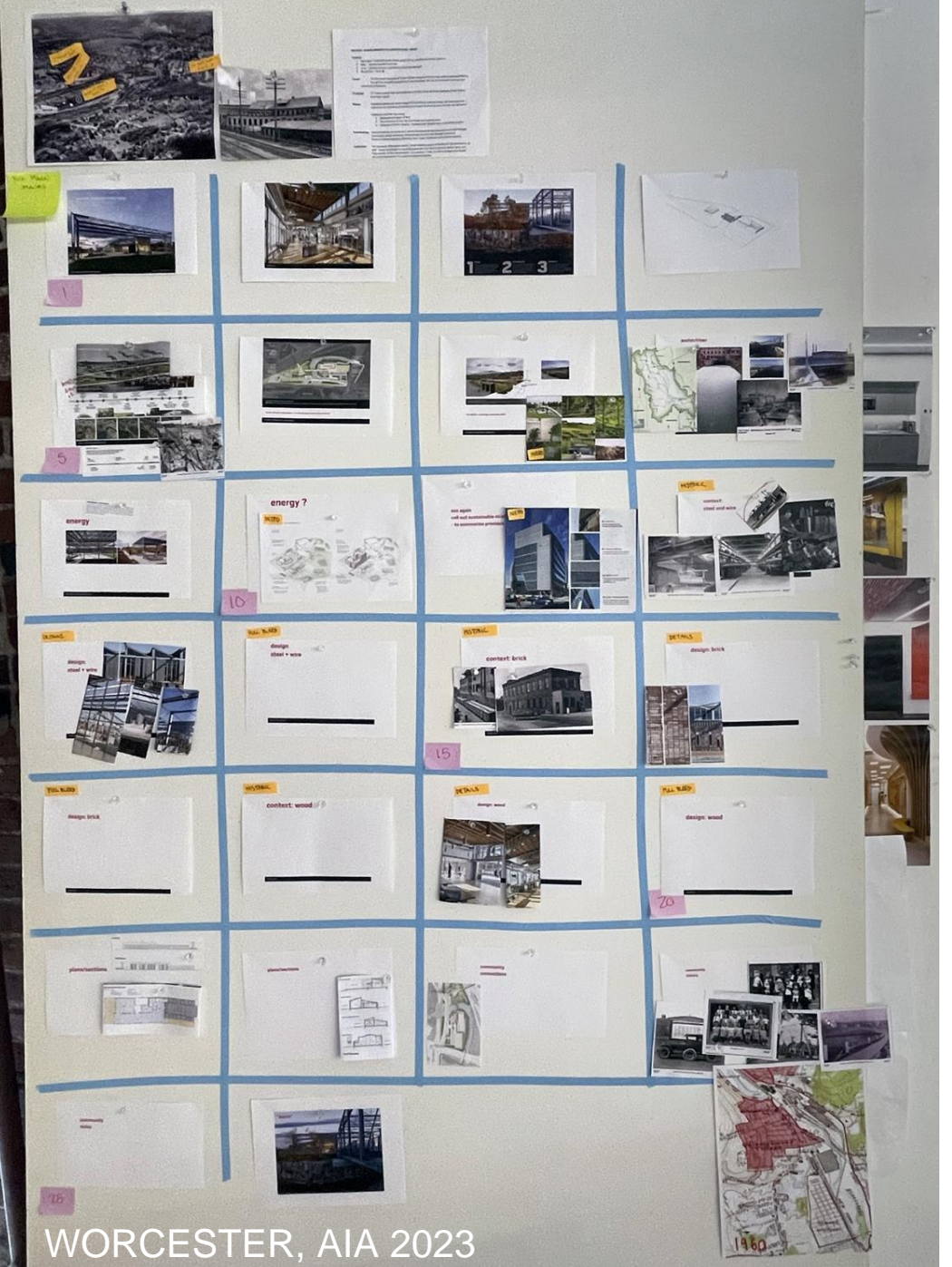
- write first!
- consult your consultants early
- use collaborative softwares
- start with bullet points and refine later
- refer back to your thesis + position statements to tie these threads throughout

process graphics

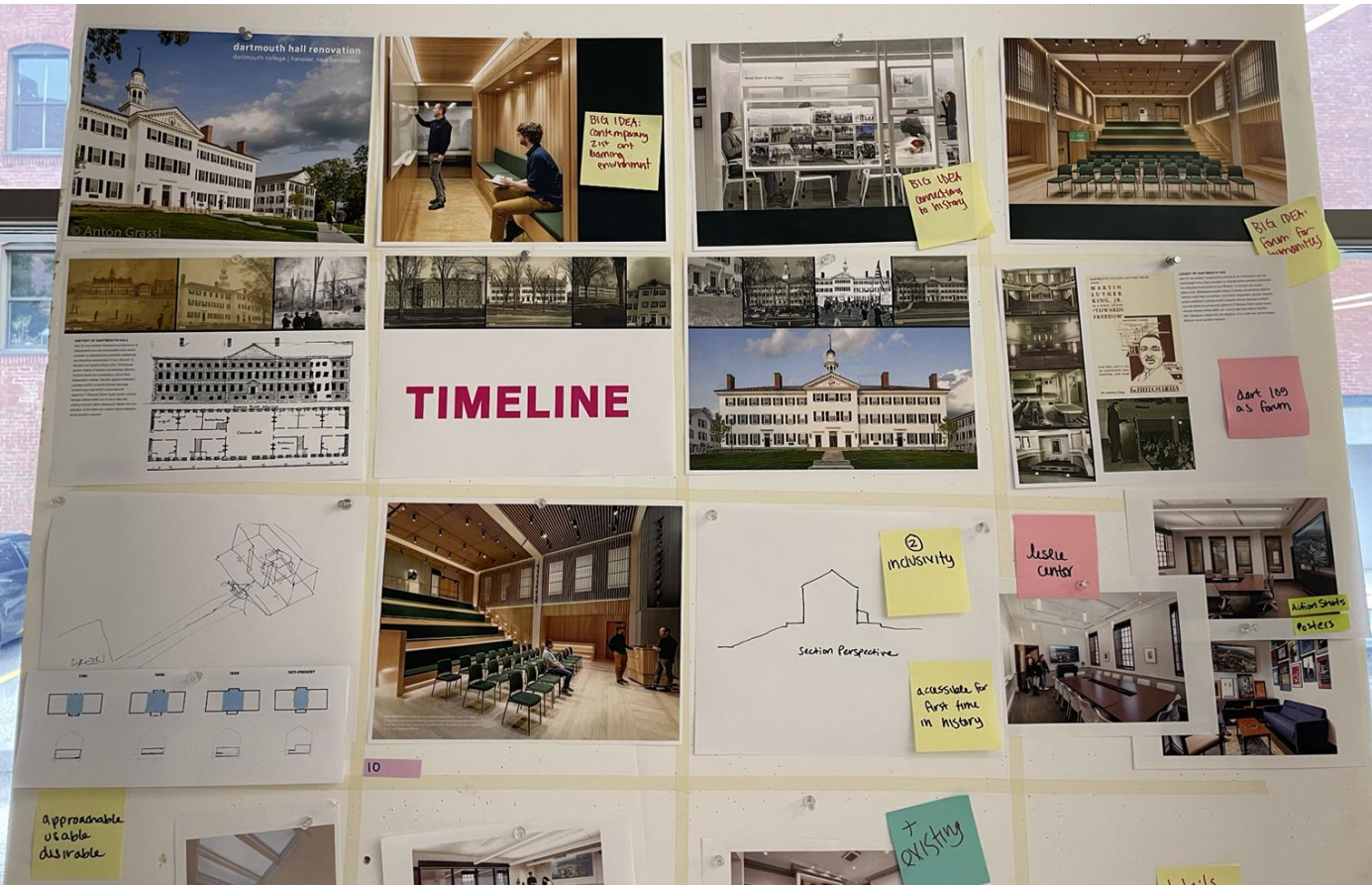
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UMASS FINE ARTS BRIDGE, BSA 2022



WORCESTER, AIA 2023



DARTMOUTH HALL, AIA 2024

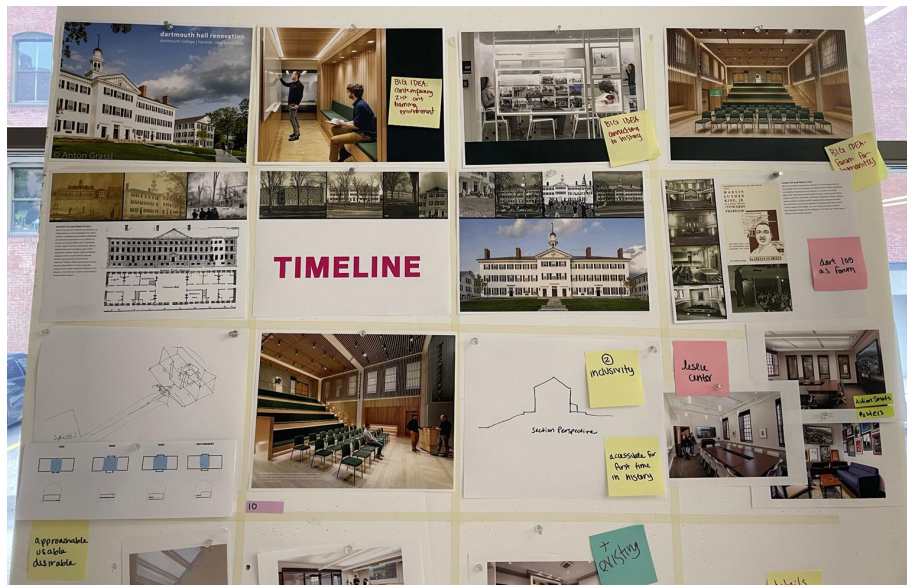
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phase 1: loose images, sticky notes, sketches

phase 2: start indesign file, refine, print, repin

phase 3: repeat phase 2



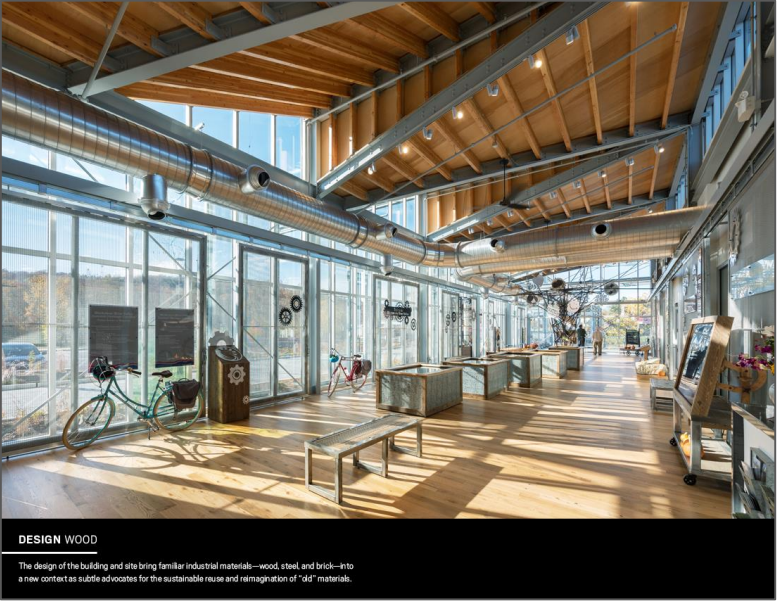
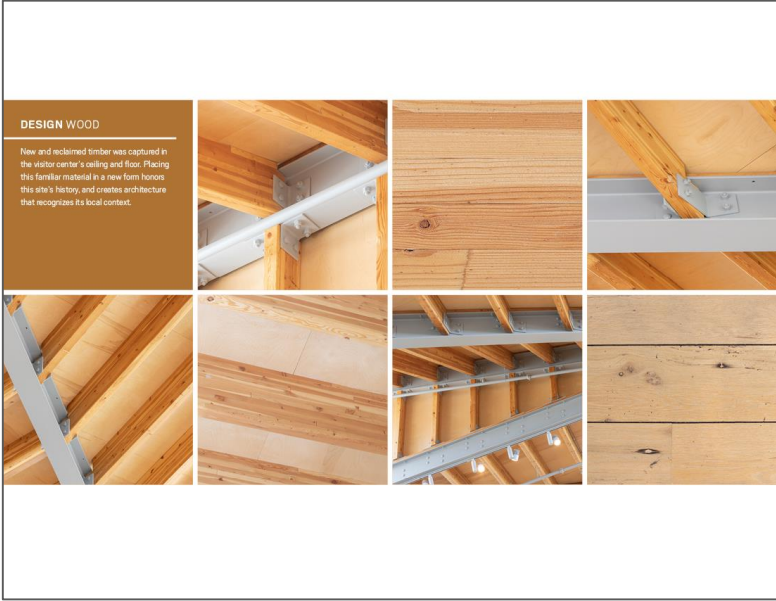
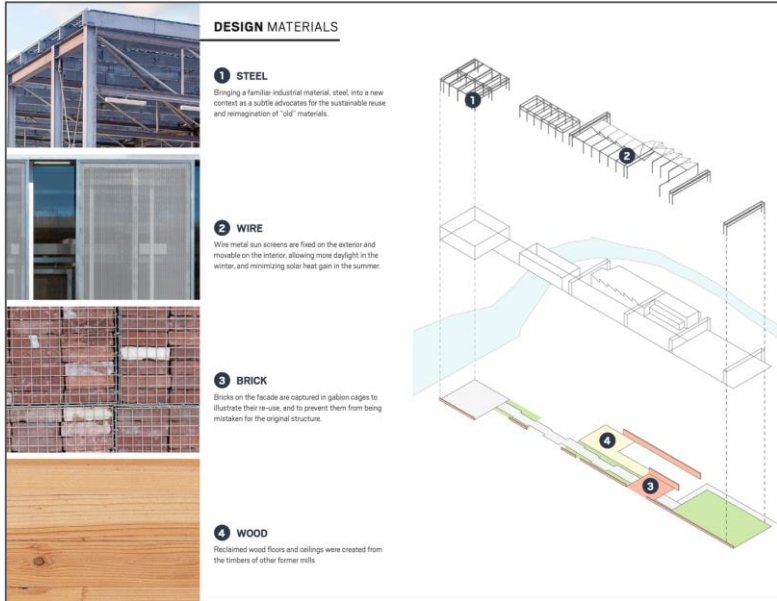
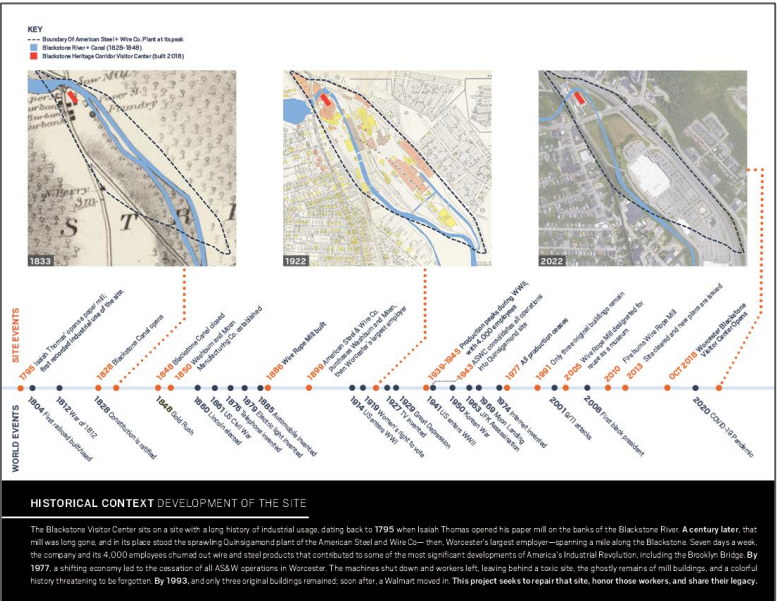
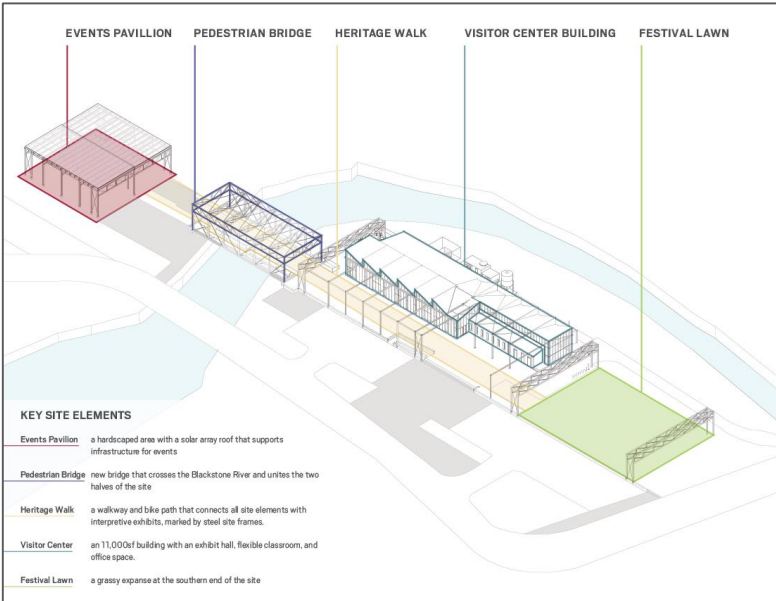


Looking across the Blackstone River from the Events Pavilion, toward the Visitor Center Building, new pedestrian bridge at right.

1 DESIGN
The Worcester Blackstone Visitor Center creates a historic site without existing artifacts, through building form, material reuse, new materials that reference old, and site elements that mimic those of a large industrial campus.

2 SITE & SUSTAINABILITY
The project remedies the industrial damage done to the site, transforming the toxic brownfield through conscious decision-making regarding plan forms, land usage, materials, and building systems.

3 COMMUNITY
The visitor's center is now a place of healing for the community—those who were mistreated or displaced by industrial processes now have dedicated space to gather, learn, and share stories of their ancestors.



results

2023

AIA Architecture Award **new awards process pilot project*

ILFI Biophilic Design Award *finalist*

Design award from a regional AIA Chapter *to be announced*

2022

BSA Design Award: Unbuilt Architecture

BSA Design Award: Interior Architecture + Spatial Design

Chicago Athenaeum Design Award

Providence Preservation Society Design Award

tips & takeaways

- developing new text and graphics are useful beyond awards — pays to do early and well
- engages more studio members
- opportunity to revisit/retell stories that weren't fleshed out during design
- fewer, better submissions with a higher success rate

Thank you!

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