SUBMISSION GUIDELINES
THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTURE STUDENTS
an independent, student-run, non-profit organization
INTRODUCTION
At the heart of the organizations activities is a cooperative effort designed to transform today’s student into the type of leader the world needs today. This includes both an active and involved student membership, and a close and mutually supportive role for faculty, professionals, the design community and the community who stand to benefit from the advancement of the profession of architecture in its many forms.

The American Institute of Architecture Students Honor Awards recognizes exemplars in our large family in the areas of leadership, collaboration, community service and design excellence. This public recognition is the highest honor the Organization can bestow on students, educators, professionals, and partners who support and embody the mission of the AIAS. The 2020 American Institute of Architecture Students Honor Awards categories are as follows:

Chapter Honor Award
Chapter Leader Honor Award
Educator Honor Award
Emerging Professional Honor Award
Outstanding AIA Component Honor Award
Outstanding Freedom by Design Program Award
Outstanding Freedom by Design Project Award
Design Excellence Honor Award
Special Accomplishment Honor Award
Student Research Honor Award

Since 1956, the American Institute of Architecture Students (AIAS) has functioned as an intercollegiate network and representational voice for architecture students. The AIAS is an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to linking its student constituents to the diverse academic, social, and creative opportunities that are critical in their development as design professionals.

The mission of the AIAS is to advance leadership, design, and service among architecture students.

QUESTIONS?
aias.org/honor-awards
mailbox@aias.org
GENERAL INFORMATION

The purpose of the nomination packet is to tell the compelling story of the nominee. In addition to information required for each award category, the use of photos, memorabilia, and other supplemental materials is strongly encouraged within the required format.

Video and animation linked within the PDF document are allowed but do not count toward the file size limit. Physical Submissions will not be considered.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS
All additional inquiries should be directed to the Vice President.

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SCHEDULE
All submissions must be submitted by, JULY 31, 2020. The AIAS assumes no responsibility for the delivery of the material. Nominations received after that deadline will not be considered.

DECEMBER 2019
Nominations and award submission open
Jury appointed

JULY 31, 2020
All materials must be submitted via Slideroom

SEPTEMBER 2020
Jury deliberation facilitated by the Vice President

OCTOBER 2020
Awards Ceremony at AIAS FORUM

DECEMBER 2020

In order to ensure the fair and thorough evaluation of all nominees for the AIAS National Honor Awards, the following must be submitted in the manner described below. Failure to adhere to these requirements will be grounds for disqualification.

Nominations must be made through aias.org/honor-awards, and all award materials must be submitted through the Slideroom portal with submission specifications noted. Self-nominations will also be accepted, please visit the website for more information.

Email submissions will not be considered.

Please note that the use of photos, memorabilia, and other supplemental materials is strongly encouraged within the required format. Videos and animations will also be accepted through Slideroom.
THE AIAS CHAPTER HONOR AWARD

The highest award bestowed upon a chapter of The American Institute of Architecture Students for its consistent growth and stability while providing outstanding educational and professional programs to its members and others.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2019  NewSchool of Architecture and Design
2018  Carnegie Mellon University
2017  University of Nevada, Las Vegas
       Honorable Mention: Ryerson University
2016  Carnegie Mellon University
2015  Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
2014  University of Minnesota
       Honorable Mention: Illinois Central College + Ryerson University
2013  Illinois Institute of Technology
2012  Syracuse University
2011  University of Detroit Mercy
2010  University of Nebraska – Lincoln
2009  University of North Carolina – Charlotte
2008  University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee
2007  University of Kansas
2006  Auburn University
2005  Mississippi State University
2004  University of Nebraska
2003  Ball State University
       Honorable Mention: Oklahoma State University
2002  AIAS Orange County
       Honorable Mention: Oklahoma State University
2001  University of Hawaii
2000  Carnegie Mellon University
1999  University of Minnesota
1998  University of Oklahoma
1997  University of Hawaii
       Honorable Mention: Mississippi State University
1996  University of Colorado at Denver
1995  Kansas State University
1994  Mississippi State University
1993  Kent State University
1992  University of Michigan
1991  Kent State University

NOMINEES FOR THE CHAPTER HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

• Chapter in Good Standing
• Outstanding accomplishments in the conception, development and delivery of creative programs for its membership, students at large, school faculty, school administration, practicing professions and the public.
• Exemplary involvement with campus, community and professional organizations, as well as local businesses, the design and construction industries and others
• Active, consistent and involved membership throughout the year; and
• Effective chapter executive committee, providing consistent leadership and chapter representation on issues affecting architecture at the campus, community and national AIAS levels

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

• Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS Chapter President
  2. Dean or Department Chair
  3. The AIAS Chapter Faculty Advisor
  4. Local AIA Component representative (optional)

• Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Chapter Executive Board names and titles with descriptions of duties and responsibilities.
  2. PDF of example of board meeting agenda/minutes, copy of chapter budget, and calendar of chapter programs.
  3. Any support materials depicting a positive effect on studio culture through professional development, events, programs, and initiatives, i.e. Examples of chapter graphics and posters for events; photos and videos.
  4. Team Photo
THE AIAS CHAPTER LEADER HONOR AWARD

(Formally known as the Chapter President Honor Award) The highest award bestowed upon an AIAS Chapter Leader for their outstanding leadership, dedication, and commitment to the consistent growth and development of the AIAS chapter on their campus.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2019
Tommy Hernandez, NewSchool
2019
Belen Vidal, UT Arlington
2018
Zain Islam-Hashmi, Carnegie Mellon University
Honorable Mention: Alexander Siegel, Cal Poly SLO
2017
Caroline Barchik, Syracuse University
Honorable Mention: Dominick Messin, UNLV
2016
Kelsey Kauffman, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
Honorable Mention: Amelia Rosen, Carnegie Mellon
2015
Katherine Eaton, Savannah College of Arts and Design
Honorable Mention: Brianna Roland, Cal Poly, SLO
2014
Samantha Raburn - Louisiana Tech University
2013
Samantha Parsloe and Stephen Russell, Mass Art
2012
Chris DePalm, Syracuse University
2011
Amanda Grant, University of Tennessee – Knoxville
2010
Dina Dami, University of Detroit Mercy
2009
Jared McKnight, Pennsylvania State University
2008
Uzi Bassett, Auburn University
2007
Ryan Carl Wang, University of Washington
2006
Ada Black, Lawrence Technological University
2005
Melissa Schricker, Auburn University
2004
Michelle Aresta, Arizona State University
2003
Jason Nguyen, Drexel University
Honorable Mention: Kimberly Lapinsky, Lawrence Tech
Honorable Mention: Morgan Ennis, University of Maryland
2002
Nathan Rozzi, University of Buffalo
2001
Jesse Turk, North Dakota State University
Honorable Mention: Thara Habersatzer, U. of Washington
2000
Naol Kido, University of Hawaii
Honorable Mention: Kevin Sebeta and Mellany Wink, University of Oregon
1999
Margaret Tamami, Carnegie Mellon University
1998
Danielle Yafuso, University of Hawaii
1997
Randy Goin Jr., AIAS For Lauderdale
1996
Dean Albright, University of Colorado at Denver
1995
Luis Ibarra, Cal PolySan Luis Obispo

NOMINEES FOR THE CHAPTER LEADER HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Member of an overall stable chapter (financially, culturally, etc.) in Good Standing.
- Motivated, energetic, and involved membership.
- Creates an environment that encourages involvement of a motivated and energetic chapter exec board that exhibits cooperative skills and a desire and ability to present successful programs.
- Prominence within the architecture program with appropriate faculty, administration and with AIA component leadership.
- Exemplary involvement with campus community and professional organizations as well as local businesses, the design and construction industry, and others.

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Nomination endorsement from Quad Director*
- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS member submitting nomination
  2. Dean or Department Chair
  3. AIAS Chapter Faculty Advisor
  4. Local AIA Component representative (optional)
- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Curriculum vitae or resume of nominee
  2. Example of AIAS work completed by nominee.
  3. Any support materials that help exemplify the unique and special accomplishments of this candidate in facilitating an exemplary chapter culture, i.e. photographic evidence or videography
  4. Headshot

*Jury Chair will facilitate these endorsements. Application will not require anything but applicant is encouraged to reach out to Quad Director ahead of time.
NOMINEES FOR THE EDUCATOR HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Outstanding contribution to the formal and informal education of architecture students at any post-secondary institution.
- Teaches an understanding of the importance of practicing architecture for the public interest.
- Exemplary education of the public on the virtues of excellence in architecture and the environment.
- Outstanding contributions to academic and career counseling of architecture students typical of strong mentorship practices.
- An underlying alignment of the AIAS mission: to advance leadership, design, and service among architecture students.

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS member submitting nomination
  2. Dean or Department Chair at school of nominee
  3. Additional letters if desired (limit two)
- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Curriculum vitae or resume of nominee
  2. Titles of courses taught and programs administered by the nominee with a brief of each, and supporting material (teaching evaluations, syllabi, or student work)*
  3. Headshot

*Limit to 10 pages
NOMINATIONS FOR THE AIAS EMERGING PROFESSIONAL HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WITH AWARDS GIVEN TO INDIVIDUALS WHOSE SUBMISSION MATERIALS EXEMPLIFY OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN AREAS SUCH AS (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO):

- Professional practice advancement
- Advocacy for the future of the profession
- Excellence in design practice
- Continued involvement within the AIAS or allied collaterals
- Special accomplishments, local or national awards
- Mentorship

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS member submitting nomination
  2. At least two letters of support from individuals familiar with work and accomplishments of nominee (student, colleague, faculty, employer)

- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Curriculum vitae or resume of nominee
  2. Any support materials needed to convey achievements of nominee, i.e. photographic evidence or videography
  3. Headshot
THE AIAS OUTSTANDING AIA COMPONENT HONOR AWARD

The most prestigious award conferred upon a component of The American Institute of Architects who has exhibited outstanding contributions to the mentorship and development of architecture students, and whom champions and supports the mission of the organization through collaboration with local chapters.

**PAST RECIPIENTS**

2018  AIA Las Vegas & AIA Nevada
2017  Heather Koury, Hon. AIA and AIA Memphis

**NOMINATIONS FOR THE AIAS OUTSTANDING AIA COMPONENT HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

- Exemplary engagement with local AIAS chapter and student leaders.*
- Outstanding contributions to professional development and career counseling of architecture students typical of strong mentorship practice.
- Exemplary education of the public on the virtues of excellence in architecture and the environment.
- An underlying alignment of the AIAS mission: to advance leadership, design, and service among architecture students.

**EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:**

- Letters of Support from individuals familiar with the work and accomplishments of the nominee in relation to student engagement and emerging professionals’ development, and describe unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The individual submitting nomination (must be an AIAS or AIA member) or The AIAS Chapter President working directly with the component nominee (if different from nominator)
  2. AIA Component President, Executive, or Member
  3. AIAS General Member, Faculty Advisor, Director, or Administrator
- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Robust summary of AIA programming, events, and initiatives in combination with the AIAS
  2. Any support materials needed to convey achievements of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, i.e. photographic evidence, videography, etc.
  3. The local AIA Component’s stance on K-12 outreach and supporting materials (encouraged but not required).
  4. AIA Component group or event photo.

*Components must be working with a chapter in good standing or a new charter less than one full academic year old.
THE AIAS FREEDOM BY DESIGN PROGRAM
Honor Award

NOMINATIONS FOR THE AIAS OUTSTANDING FREEDOM BY DESIGN PROGRAM AWARD IS JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

• Program demonstrates the mission of the AIAS and embodies the spirit of Freedom by Design
• Scale and frequency of project completion
• Consistent creativity in project design and execution
• Community engagement
• Impact on campus
• Impact on community
• Fundraising
• Collaboration
• Design advocacy

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

• Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The individual submitting nomination or the AIAS Chapter President (if different from nominator)
  2. Freedom by Design Program Design Mentor
  3. Freedom by Design Program Construction Mentor
  4. Community leader or impacted client
• Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Freedom by Design Program leader names with titles and list of responsibilities
  2. PDF of Freedom by Design program budget (can be a compilation of project budgets), information about fundraising efforts to execute projects, etc. (Project Binder can be submitted).
  3. Any support materials of final and ongoing projects, evidence of success, i.e. photographic evidence, videography, etc.
  4. Freedom By Design Team Photo
• Submission may not exceed 5MB

PAST RECIPIENTS
2018 Wentworth Institute of Technology
2017 North Carolina State University
2016 University of North Carolina at Charlotte
2015 University of North Carolina at Charlotte
2014 Louisiana Tech University
    University of Tennessee, Knoxville
2013 University of Minnesota

THE AIAS FREEDOM BY DESIGN PROGRAM
HONOR AWARD

The highest award bestowed upon an AIAS Chapter’s Freedom By Design Program for radically impacting the lives of people with accessible and equitable design solutions.
NOMINATIONS FOR THE AIAS OUTSTANDING FREEDOM BY DESIGN PROGRAM AWARD* IS JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Project completion*
- Demonstrative of ability to apply design principals in real world construction.
- Client engagement
- Community engagement
- Ability to teach/learn from process
- Fundraising
- Economic use of materials if applicable
- Collaboration
- Design advocacy

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The individual submitting nomination or the AIAS Chapter President (if different from nominator)
  2. Freedom by Design Program Design Mentor
  3. Freedom by Design Program Construction Mentor
  4. Community leader or impacted client
- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Freedom by Design Project Binder that contains: program budget (can be a compilation of project budgets), Information about fundraising efforts to execute project, presentation highlighting thorough process and product of the project, sketches, charrette pictures, and final project.
  2. Any support materials of final project, evidence of success, i.e. photography, videography, etc.
  3. Freedom By Design Team Photo
- Submission may not exceed 5MB

* Only completed projects are eligible for this award. Project must have been completed within 2 years of nomination.
NOMINEES FOR THE DESIGN EXCELLENCE HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

• Clear communication of intent
• Presentation graphics and composition
• Well-crafted and holistic project
• Nominated work must represent a sensitivity to some of the following categories:
  1. Site context (cultural, climate, historical)
  2. Concerns of sustainability
  3. User experience
  4. Design for the public interest
  5. Use and understanding of precedence
  6. Understanding of forms and relationship of forms

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

• The project must have been completed within a year of nomination.
• Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The individual submitting nomination or the AIAS Chapter President (if different from nominator)
  2. Professor that oversaw the work of the nominee
  3. At least one additional letter of support from individuals familiar with work and accomplishments of nominee (student, colleague, faculty, employer)
• Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Full project brief / studio project outline with concise description of project expectations
  2. Any support materials that present the project in a holistic fashion
  3. Headshot
• Work may be submitted in a format as large as 18”x24” but PDF must remain under 10MB in file size.
THE AIAS SPECIAL ACCOMPLISHMENT HONOR AWARD

The highest award bestowed upon an AIAS individual, program, or event that has been unique and special and have helped lead to the success of an AIAS Chapter. This award is targeted towards individuals, programs, or events, excluding Freedom by Design efforts.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2013 Tuskegee AIAS Career Focus, Tuskegee University
Honorable Mention: University of Bahrain – Muhammed AlEmadi
2012 Freedom by Design Program, Lawrence Technological University
2011 SUPERJury, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee
2010 North Dakota State University
2009 Kate Bidwell, University of Memphis
2008 Savannah College of Art and Design, AIAS Chapter Lecture Series
2007 Rebuilding the Seventh, University of Kansas
2005 Internship Fair, Auburn University
2004 The Rooms of a City, Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico
2003 Eric Kleinsteuber, University of Florida
2002 Student Mentoring Program, Arizona State University
2001 Joyce Nae, AIA, University of Hawaii
2000 Oklahoma State University
Honorable Mention: Kevin Clark, University of Nebraska
1999 University of Minnesota
1998 Mississippi State University
1997 University of Kansas
1996 Virginia Polytechnic Institute
1995 Andrews University
1994 MiamiDade Community College
1993 Savannah College of Art and Design
1992 MiamiDade Community College
1991 Kent State University

Nominees for the Special Accomplishment Honor Award are judged on the following criteria:

- Demonstrates the mission of the AIAS
- Motivated, energetic, and involved membership
- Creates an environment that encourages involvement of a motivated and energetic chapter that exhibits cooperative skills and a desire and ability to present successful program
- Impact on the success of the AIAS Chapter

Each submission should contain the following requirements:

- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS member submitting nomination
  2. Dean or Department Chair
  3. AIAS Chapter Faculty Advisor
  4. AIAS member impacted by the individual, program, or event
- Supporting Materials:
  1. Main Requirement - Curriculum vitae or resume of nominee (if individual) or Program / Event leader names with titles and list of responsibilities
  2. Any support materials that help exemplify the unique and special accomplishments of this candidate in facilitating an exemplary chapter culture, i.e. photographic evidence or videography
  3. Headshot or Team Photo
NOMINATIONS FOR THE AIAS STUDENT RESEARCH HONOR AWARD ARE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA WITH AWARDS GIVEN TO INDIVIDUALS WHOSE SUBMISSION MATERIALS EXEMPLIFY OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS IN AREAS SUCH AS (BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO):

- Design research
- Written dissertation
- Applied research or initiative

EACH SUBMISSION SHOULD CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

- Letters of Support, describing unique and special accomplishments of the nominee as they pertain to the evaluation criteria, from:
  1. The AIAS or faculty member initiating nomination
  2. The AIAS Chapter Faculty Advisor or thesis advisor / mentor
  3. Additional letters of support (limit two)

- Supporting Materials
  1. Main Requirement - Project brief / abstract describing intent and origin of research.
  2. Any support materials or information needed for the nominee to cohesively convey the products or outcomes of research or applied research.
  3. Headshot or Team Photo

- Submission may not exceed 10MB

PAST RECIPIENTS

2018 Kelsey Kaufman, Southern Illinois Univ. at Carbondale
2017 Chris Daemmrich, Tulane University
2016 Keshika De Saram, Univ. of Minnesota
2015 Alex Libengood, Clemson University
2014 Studio Kayini - Arizona State University
2012 Study of the complexities of the Central Asian Facade, U. Wisconsin – Milwaukee
2011 R+D in Concrete in Haiti, Ball State University
2010 Tracie Reed, University of Massachusetts Amherst
2009 Matthew Enwin and Adam Sauer, Georgia Institute of Technology
2007 Kristin Saunders, University of Kansas
2006 Jennifer Thompson, Auburn University
2004 Capilla del Santo Cristo de la Salud in Old San Juan, Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico
2002 Dean Johnston, University of Hawaii – Manoa
2001 Carnegie Mellon University
2000 Carnegie Mellon University
1999 University of Minnesota
1999 Mississippi State University
1998 Mississippi State University
1997 University of Hawaii
1995 University of Colorado at Denver

THE AIAS STUDENT RESEARCH HONOR AWARD

Awarded to those individuals or teams of students in architecture programs who have exhibited outstanding merit in high level architectural and design research.