

# AIA LOUISIANA AWARDS PROGRAM

## RULES OF THE BOARD GOVERNING THE AIA LOUISIANA AWARDS PROGRAM

### **STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY**

In order to encourage excellence in architecture, the Louisiana Chapter of the American Institute of Architects conducts an annual Awards Program. Through this program, AIA Louisiana seeks to honor works of distinction by its members and bring to public attention outstanding examples of architecture.

Because such recognition not only benefits the architects honored, but also benefits all Louisiana architects, AIA Louisiana should strive to optimize the public's awareness and appreciation for the Awards Program through appropriate public relations efforts.

The AIA Louisiana Awards program is a function solely of AIA Louisiana and participation in the program is limited to its current members.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Any architectural project completed within the last 5 calendar years (January 2011) which has been produced by, or in collaboration with, a member firm of AIA Louisiana is eligible for submission. Projects may be located outside of Louisiana but must be submitted by an AIA Louisiana member who served as either the Design Architect or the Architect-of-Record for the project. *When a firm or partnership has been dissolved, projects shall be submitted under the firm name on the contract documents used to execute the project, unless otherwise agreed to by the previous partners prior to submittal.* Members are encouraged to submit previously submitted non-winning projects, or ones which have won awards in other programs. Entries must be designated in one of the following classifications. Awards will be given at the discretion of the Jury and there is no obligation that the jury present awards for each classification. Categories are:

**ARCHITECTURE** - awards shall recognize projects in the categories of New Construction or Renovation.

**DIVINE DETAIL** - awards shall recognize architectural ingenuity in use of a particular material, detail, or building technology.

**INTERIOR ARCHITECTURE** - awards shall recognize interior architecture/interior design projects on any type including renovations, rehabs, offices, institutions, residences, retail projects, restaurants, single-family homes and public facilities.

**MASTER PLANNING/URBAN DESIGN** - awards shall recognize projects (either built or un-built) in the field of master planning or urban design.

**RESIDENTIAL** - awards shall recognize exceptional work by architects in the field of residential architecture.

**RESTORATION/REHABILITATION/ADAPTIVE REUSE** - awards shall recognize exceptional work by architects in the field of restoration and rehabilitation as distinguished from the work of the original architect (Restoration: An act of restoring or condition of being restored... a bringing back to a **former position or condition**).

**UNREALIZED PROJECTS** - awards shall recognize un-built architecture and urban design as well as theoretical or conceptual work, including installations, land art, and research. Projects cannot have been undertaken for academic credit.

### **AWARDS**

Each project will be judged according to its own merit, not in competition with other entries. Awards for projects in the classification of Architecture may be granted at one of two levels: Honor Award or Award of Merit. Awards shall be granted at the discretion of the jury. These Awards will be designated by a jury of architects whose work and reputations have been established at the highest level of the profession. Jurors will review Power Point submissions in determination of awards in lieu of board submissions. Awards will be presented at the Awards Luncheon during the AIA Louisiana Design Conference.

**HONOR AWARD** | is to be bestowed for exceptional work, easily distinguishable by exceptional quality of design and function

**AWARD OF MERIT** | is to be bestowed to work that demonstrate a high level of design quality worthy of recognition

### **MEMBERS' CHOICE AWARD**

In addition to the awards granted by the Awards jury, AIA Louisiana shall grant a Members' Choice Award to be selected by AIA Louisiana members.

A prepared ballot shall be issued to all AIA Louisiana members registered at the AIA Louisiana Design Conference.

Board submissions for each project will be displayed at the Conference, identified by entry number only, and each member will vote for up to three projects in any single project classification. Members will not be permitted to vote for their own projects. Collection and tallying of ballot results will be the responsibility of the Awards Committee. The project receiving the highest number of votes shall be granted the AIA Louisiana "Members' Choice Award". This award shall be presented, along with the AIA Louisiana Honor and Merit Awards, at the Awards Luncheon during the AIA Louisiana Design Conference.

## **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The Awards program is made up of two sections—the Power Point submission and the Presentation Board. Both the Power Point and presentation board must be submitted in order to qualify your project in the Awards Program. Failure to submit all material will be grounds for disqualification.

Submission Requirements and Power Point Template, along with your entry number, will be emailed to you after the receipt of the application and fee.

**By submitting an application into the Awards Program, you are hereby acknowledging that a representative from your firm will register and attend both the AIA LA Design Conference and the Awards Luncheon Program.**

## **POWER POINT**

**For each submission, please submit two (2) power point presentations on one CD: one with a credit slide and one without.** Do NOT alter the font size, color, type, or location of the text or color of the background. For publicity purposes, please include 2 separate photos (300 dpi) of your project on the CD.

No animations, overlapping photos or hyper links in the Power Point presentation. If these are used, the submittal will be disqualified. Use digital images in provided template only.

It is the responsibility of the entrant to obtain all clearances for use of photographs in conjunction with publicity and recognition of the project. AIA Louisiana assumes no liability for copyrights or photographic fees.

Every attempt should be made to make each submission anonymous so the judging is unbiased. Architect or firm name, logo, project identification or any symbol or identifying marks are not allowed on any slide except the credit slide. The only exception to this rule is a fixed, permanent building sign is allowed on image slides.

- Slide .01 shall include a brief program summary of 25 words or less and a program statement of 250 words or less. The building area, cost per square foot, construction cost, and date of completion shall be indicated on the right hand side. Any information that conveys the architect, firm or name of the project may not be included on this side.
- Slides following slide .01 shall be used for image slides. Each submission must have between 8 and 12 image slides and 2 information slides. Submissions must include at least 1 plan and 1 image in the image slides. There may be multiple images on an individual slide, however all images must fit within the 7" x 7" square indicated on the sample slide.  
**The maximum size of the Power Point submission (presentation) file, in its entirety, should not exceed 15 mb.**
- The credit slide will be the last slide of your submission. It shall include the project name, project location, owner/client, architect(s) of record including names and addresses, project team, landscape architect, consultants, general contractor and photographer(s).

## **PRESENTATION BOARD**

Submissions shall include a single rigid 40" x 40" laminated foam core board, with a 1/2" diameter hole centered 2" from the sides of each corner of the board for mounting. Plain paper-faced foam core board will not be acceptable. Presentation method is open but must be limited to two-dimensional displays. Displays may use plans, sections, renderings, photographs, etc. to clearly explain the project. The maximum thickness, including the board, at any point on any display shall be 3/4". No three-dimensional displays will be accepted. For voting purposes, your assigned entry number must be placed on the upper left side of the board. Boards with no entry number will be disqualified. Board should be identified only by entry number. Architect or firm name, logo, project identification or any symbol or identifying marks are not allowed on board. The only exception to this rule is a fixed, permanent building sign is allowed on photographs. A hard (printed) black and white copy of your Power Point "Project Credit Slide" shall be sealed separately in an envelope identified only by entry number, and taped to the back of the Presentation Board.

## **IMPORTANT NOTE**

If the submission is disqualified for failure to meet Award rules, the awards committee chair will notify entrants, in writing, of disqualification. There will be no refunds for disqualified projects.