



2021 CSR Design Excellence Awards

Recognizing outstanding architecture in the AIA Central States Region (CSR), designed by AIA CSR members.

The AIA Central States Region Design Excellence Awards recognizes outstanding architecture coming from the region of Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Oklahoma. Entries must be designed by AIA CSR members or must be projects completed within the Central States Region and designed by a fellow AIA member. Award recipients will be publicly announced during the AIA Kansas | AIA Central States Region Design Excellence Awards Celebration on Thursday, October 7, 2021. The AIA Design Excellence Awards have been developed to encourage and recognize excellence in architecture, to elevate public awareness and to recognize the architects, consultants, contractors and owners whose efforts enhance the built environment.

Awards Timeline	
Call for entries	April 1
Deadline for Submissions	July 23
Jury Review	Aug. 16-27
Winners Notified	Aug. 30
Awards Celebration	October 7

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Call for Entries

Eligibility

- Project must have been completed within the last five (5) years.
- Any architectural project designed by an AIA Central States Region Member, located anywhere in the world; or any architectural project designed by an AIA Member located in the AIA Central States Region
- Only Architects in good standing with the American Institute of Architects may submit entries.
- Projects may be submitted under one of four award categories:
 1. Architecture
 2. Interior Architecture
 3. Historic Preservation /Adaptive Reuse
 4. Built/Unbuilt (Student Option)
- An individual or firm may submit an unlimited number of entries.
- Projects previously honored in the AIA Central States Region Design Awards program are not eligible for submission in the same category.
- In the case of collaborative projects, primary design authorship shall be attributed to one firm and signatures are required by all collaborating firms.

Jury

Respected professionals from the architectural community, outside the Central States Region. The jury chair is selected, and they assemble a jury. The number and types of awarded projects is up to the jury's discretion.

Entry Fee

An entry fee of \$175 (\$25/student) is required for each submission and payable upon completion of the online submission. Fees cannot be refunded.

Timetable

Submissions and fees are to be received electronically by July 23, 2021. Winners will be notified in advance once the jury has convened.

Presentation

The CSR Design Excellence Awards will be presented during the AIA Kansas Design Awards Celebration, Thursday, October 7, 2021.

The awards will be published in the 2022 AIA Kansas Architectural Design publication and the Iowa Architect magazine.

Submission

In order to establish a common basis for judging submissions, the data and graphic portions of the submittal is to be completed and submitted online. It will be the entrant's responsibility to ensure that the submissions remain anonymous and are cleared for release by their respective photographers, architects, etc. The following information will be captured through the online form:

- **General Info:** Public Project Title, Public Project Description, Project Completion Date etc.
- **Physical Info:** City, State, Project Type, Building Type
- **Image Upload Requirements:** 1500 px x 800 px at 300 dpi.
- **File types:** JPG, PNG
- **PPT File Type:** PDF
- **Releases:** Architect, Copyright