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25-Year Award Call for Entries
As architects, we have the unique ability and opportunity to transform demands, desires, and constraints into solutions. We are visionaries, and this work requires equal parts expertise to design well and skill to advocate for the value of our designs.

Our designs have the power to help our world gain independence from carbon and regrow our natural environments. They have the power to create spaces where everyone feels equal and welcome. Our designs have the power to replace the infrastructure of the past with farsighted resiliency. They even have the power to support opportunity in all its many forms. In short, architecture can create a world where we thrive physically, emotionally, economically, and socially, if we can convince others to support it.

As architects, we exercise our aptitudes for leadership and collaboration within our design teams. But if we extend these strengths to our clients and to our communities, where the need for them is greater, we could have a greater impact—an impact beyond the scope and duration of the project.

Now, let us align our time and talent by advocating for the world we want to live in. It is only through our advocacy that we can help realize a more sustainable, equitable, and beautiful future.
25-year award
Recognizing longstanding excellence in architecture emphasizing its importance in the community.

Designers have an obligation to their clients and community to create buildings that stand the test of time. Buildings that stay true to an intent and remain functional through the progression of programs within often contribute to the movement and shaping of our community over time. The 25 Year Award honors work that remains relevant a quarter century after completion.

Eligibility Requirements

- Entries must be a completed building project in Iowa, a single building or groups of buildings, completed at least 25 but not more than 40 years ago.
- Constructed by Iowa craftspeople and / or companies from projects by AIA Iowa Member Firm or Allied Member.
- The building must be standing in substantially completed form and in good condition; it should still carry out the basic original program.
- It must have excellence in function in the distinguished execution of its original program and in the creative aspects of its statement by today’s standards.
- No project that has previously been honored by AIA Iowa may be entered.
- Restorations, rehabs, and interior design projects are excluded from consideration.
- Significant additions to buildings will be considered.
- Buildings submitted for consideration do not have to be designed by an Iowa firm; however, the building must be located in Iowa.
- Entries must be nominated or submitted by a current AIA Iowa member. For consideration, the project does not need to be nominated by the firm of record.
- Projects will be evaluated based on the images and written description only. The jury will not be able to visit the buildings.
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Jury
Respected professionals from the architectural community, outside the state of Iowa. The jury chair is selected, and they assemble a jury.

Entry Fee
There is no entry fee required to submit but members should complete the official online form. Simply submit a request for a Concealed Identification Number (CIN) to let us know you are submitting.

Timetable
Entries must be requested via online form by August 9, 2022. After we receive your entry, we will email you instructions, a concealed identification number (you will enter this in your online submission), and online submission directions. Completed entries must be uploaded to the site by 4 p.m. August 11, 2022.

Submission Requirements
Each entrant will be sent instructions on how to submit their projects digitally to IowaArchitecture.org. 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, Project Cost
- **PHYSICAL INFO:** Address, Square Feet, Project Type, Building Type
- **SECONDARY FIRM:** Name, Phone Number, Address
- **PEOPLE INVOLVED:** Contractor, Engineer, Photographer, etc.
- **IMAGE SIZE REQUIREMENTS:** 1500 x 800 pixels at 300 dpi
- **FILE TYPES:** JPG, GIF, PNG
- **JURY DATA:** Title, Description, Client Name, CIN Number
- **RELEASES:** Architect, Copyright
- **PRESENTATIONS:** Awards Presentation 14 photos, one auto generated title slide

Presentation
The Excellence in Design Awards will be presented at the AIA Iowa Design Awards Celebration, Thursday, September 29, 2022 and will be published in the Iowa Architect magazine. Award winning firm(s) will be notified prior to the presentation to allow for additional representatives to be present at the celebration.