



# 2017 COUNCIL AWARDS

The Council Awards include the Firm Award, Lifetime Achievement Award, and the Distinguished Practice Award. The Council Awards are reviewed by the Council Awards Committee, and finalists are recommended to the AIACC Board of Directors for the final selection.

## **AWARDS SCHEDULE**

**Call for Nominations: September 1, 2016**

**Nomination Deadline: November 10, 2016**

**Submittal Deadline: December 5, 2016**

## **AWARD FEES**

Firm Award - \$295.00

Distinguished Practice Award - No Fee

Life Achievement Award for Distinguished Services - No Fee

## **SUBMITTAL GUIDELINES**

PLEASE NOTE: NO MORE THAN TWO FINALISTS PER CATEGORY WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A FINAL DECISION. THERE MAY ONLY BE ONE RECIPIENT PER CATEGORY. THE FIRM AWARD FINALISTS ARE REQUIRED TO GIVE A

PRESENTATION TO THE AIACC BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE FEBRUARY 3, 2017, MEETING IN LOS ANGELES, CA.

### **FIRM AWARD**

The Firm Award is the highest honor the AIACC can bestow on an architectural firm. It is intended for firms that have consistently produced distinguished architecture for a period of at least 10 years. Equally important, the award recognizes mentoring, continued collaboration among individuals and significant contributions made by the firm to the profession in areas of design, research, planning, technology, practice and innovation.

- The firm shall have evidenced great depth and have had a proven cumulative effect on the profession.
- The firm shall have evidenced great breadth and influence in the profession of architecture.
- The firm's work shall be a product of a collaborative environment that has consistently directed itself toward the future while remaining respectful of the past.
- The firm shall have developed a culture which educates and mentors the next generation of architects.
- The firm shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas.
- The firm shall be widely known by the quality of its products to both architects and non-architects.

### **DISTINGUISHED PRACTICE AWARD**

The Distinguished Practice Award recognizes significant contributions and accomplishments toward a specific building type or practice area and a career of dedicated commitment to the built environment. This award recognizes an individual architect's work, their responses to the challenges of an individual building type, innovations within the design and construction process, design excellence, and a collaborate spirit.

The recipient of this award shall demonstrate a career of dedicated commitment to the built environment and innovation in one or more of the following roles:

- As an advocate for design excellence
- As a leader in responding to the challenges of an individual building type
- As a collaborator within the design and construction process
- As an educator/mentor to other professionals in this practice area
- As a recipient of professional recognition in a specific practice area
- For leadership in other areas which advanced the architectural profession and/or the built environment.

### **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE**

The Lifetime Achievement Award is presented to an individual (or group) in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the improvement of the built environment and to the profession of architecture in California.

**MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE EXCLUDED FROM CONSIDERATION FOR THE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE FOR THREE YEARS AFTER THEY VACATE OFFICE.**

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### **JURY PROCESS**

Each entry will be reviewed by the Achievement Awards Committee. Finalists will be selected and notified the second week of December, 2016. As mentioned, only the 2017 Firm Award finalists are required to give a presentation on the day of the meeting.

### **JUDGING CRITERIA**

The entry process for the Council Awards Program is designed to be simple and non-time consuming. The Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the submittal criteria as established by the Board.

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### **ENTRY SUBMITTAL PROCESS**

**YOU MAY DESIGN YOUR ENTRY USING ANY SOFTWARE OF CHOICE BUT MUST**

SUBMIT AS A PDF. ENTRIES ARE TO BE SUBMITTED IN PDF 6MB (OR LESS) FORMAT AND E-MAILED TO [HKREK@AIACC.ORG](mailto:HKREK@AIACC.ORG).

*PLEASE NAME YOUR AWARD SUBMITTAL AS FOLLOWS: FA17\_FIRM NAME.PDF; DP17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.PDF; or LA17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.PDF.*

IN ORDER TO KEEP UNIFORMITY THROUGHOUT THE ENTRIES, HOWEVER, PLEASE FOLLOW THESE BASIC GUIDELINES:

1. Each entry should contain no more than 20 pages.
2. The first two pages of the entry should be a descriptive narrative detailing qualifications and achievements of the entrant as pertaining to the award category entered.
3. The remaining pages should be supporting materials, including articles, photographs and project descriptions.
4. Letters of recommendations may be attached to the entry file, and count towards the 20 page limit.
5. PDFs should be in landscape layout with the dimensions of 10 inches wide by 7.5 inches high. As you design your entry keep in mind that entries will first be reviewed by the jurors on their computer screens. Be sure that all text is legible and images are clear.
6. Keep your design clean and easy to read.
7. Do not use high-resolution photos that will increase your file size. Each entry may not exceed 10MB AND 20 pages. Entries exceeding these guidelines will be disqualified. Use file types that allow compression to keep the file sizes low, such as jpg or png images and avoid using tif files. Suggested image resolution is 125 to 150 DPI.
8. Use a type face that is large enough and easy to read. Do not use script or graphical typefaces.

## **FORMS**

In addition to your 20-page entry document, you must include the Project ID forms. **DO NOT** attach this form to the entry.

*PLEASE NAME YOUR PROJECT ID FORM AS FOLLOWS: FA17\_FIRM NAME.DOC; DP17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.DOC; or LA17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.DOC.*

Download the ID Forms directly from the website: <http://awards.aiacc.org/council-awards/2016-council-awards-submission-guidelines/> .

## **FILE REQUIREMENTS**

It is important that you name and prepare your files correctly! This will ensure there are no categorization errors when they are received by the AIACC.

When you have completed your entry and identification forms, convert them into a single .ZIP file. Your .zip file should contain two documents: award submittal as a PDF and project ID forms as a .doc. Please name your .zip file as follows: *FA17\_FIRM NAME.ZIP*; *DP17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.ZIP*; or *LA17\_FIRSTNAME\_LASTNAME.ZIP*.

Submissions are only accepted electronically. Email your .ZIP file to Hillary Krek at **[hkrek@aiacc.org](mailto:hkrek@aiacc.org)** using a file sharing service such as: <https://www.wetransfer.com/>, <https://www.hightail.com/>, or <https://www.dropbox.com/>.

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