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Architecture x Nevada Service Awards Packet

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ABOUT ARCHITECTURE X NEVADA DESIGN AWARDS

The **AxNV DSA (Architecture Nevada - Design & Service Awards)** - Distinguished Service Program, stands as the pinnacle of recognition for architectural service in Nevada. This program celebrates architects and firms that have profoundly impacted the community through their services.

This award program isn't merely a badge of honor; it's a tribute to the architects who go beyond design, displaying innovation and a genuine dedication to improving Nevada's built environment, or advancing the profession of architecture in Nevada, or beyond. Join us in honoring those who not only dream but also actively shape a more vibrant and sustainable Nevada through their exemplary service.

AWARD CATEGORIES



AIA NEVADA SILVER MEDAL

This is the highest honor that the AIA Nevada Chapter can bestow upon an individual. It is given in recognition of the most distinguished service to the profession of architecture and significant body of work of lasting influence on the theory and practice of architecture in the state of Nevada. No more than one award is given in any year.

AIA NEVADA SERVICE AWARD

The Service Award is presented to the individual AIA member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through service to the American Institute of Architects.

AIA NEVADA YOUNG ARCHITECT AWARD

This award is given to individuals who at an early stage of their architectural career, have shown exceptional leadership in design, education, and/or service to the profession.

AIA NEVADA ASSOCIATE MEMBER AWARD

This honor is awarded to the individual Associate member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local or state Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

AIA NEVADA ALLIED MEMBER AWARD

This honor is awarded to the individual Allied Member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local or state Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

AIA NEVADA EMERGING PROFESSIONALS LEADERSHIP AWARD

This award was established to recognize AIA Emerging Professional members (those licensed less than 10 years, or Associate Members) who are committed to advancing the profession, their Chapter and whose actions have helped to elevate and improve their communities.

The intent of the award is to invest in our state's youth, enriching future leaders not only within in the Institute but in the profession at large. The award provides funding for the recipient to attend the annual Leadership Summit in order to further their knowledge of the Institute and to develop their knowledge and skills as leaders for the future.

AIA NEVADA FIRM AWARD

This is the highest honor that the AIA Nevada Chapter can bestow upon an architecture firm. It is awarded to recognize a firm that has consistently produced distinguished architecture and has shown a commitment to the AIA's goals, values, and the profession of architecture and has been of service to the community in which they are located.

AIA NEVADA CITIZEN ARCHITECT AWARD

The Nevada Citizen Architect Award recognizes individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and dedication to improving their communities through civic engagement, advocacy, and public service. This award honors architects who go beyond their professional practice to make a meaningful impact in shaping the built environment, advancing public policies that promote sustainability, and fostering collaboration among diverse stakeholders. It celebrates those who inspire positive change, contribute to the welfare of society, and exemplify the power of design to elevate the quality of life for all Nevadans.

SUBMISSION OVERVIEW

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

July 31, 2026
Now Accepting
Submissions

October 02, 2026
12:00 PM PST
Final Submission
Deadline

**October 12, 2026 –
November 1, 2026**
Jury Deliberations

November 20, 2026
AxNV DSA
Celebration

INTENT DECLARATION & NOMINATION FORM

To be considered for the 2026 AxNV DSA – Distinguished Service Program, AIA members (individuals or groups) in good standing can nominate others using the form linked below or themselves as an intent to submit declaration. Nominees should be active AIA members who've positively impacted the chapter and Nevada community.

There is no cost associated with the Distinguished Service Program.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Eligibility criteria and submission requirements are detailed in the document. ALL submissions shall include:

- An 8" x 10" JPEG of the candidate/firm at 300 DPI.
- Up to 6 relevant images for the Service Award category. Each image should be a maximum of 5 MB and at least 300 DPI.

AWARDS CEREMONY

Awards will be announced and presented at the AxNV DSA Celebration on November 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM.



ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

In your submission, emphasize any unique contributions or experiences of the candidate (or firm) relevant to AIA Nevada and the architectural profession.

This can include areas like diversity, sustainability, mentoring, or community engagement. While not mandatory, submissions are ideally aligned with the AIA Framework for Design Excellence. For more details, review the information sheet in the back of this packet.

RELEASE

By submitting for the 2026 AIA Nevada AxNV DSA – Distinguished Service Awards Program and submitting materials, you agree:

- All submitted content (including text, graphics, photos, etc., hereafter "Work") becomes the property of AIA Nevada, AIA Las Vegas, and AIA Northern Nevada and will be archived at the UNLV Special Collections Library.
- You grant AIA Las Vegas, AIA Northern Nevada, and AIA Nevada a royalty-free, non-exclusive license to use, modify, and distribute the "Work" for its copyright duration. You confirm you have the right to grant this and are not violating others' copyrights.

Both parties agree to indemnify each other against any claims related to the "Work".

SILVER MEDAL

The **AIA Nevada Silver Medal** is the highest honor that the AIA Nevada Chapter can bestow upon an individual architect. It is given in recognition of the most distinguished service to the profession of architecture and acknowledgement of a significant body of work that has had a lasting influence on the theory and practice of architecture in the state of Nevada.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1995 Raymond M. Hellman, AIA
George Tate, AIA
Jess T. Holmes, FAIA
1996 William Snyder, AIA
1997 Maurice Nespor, AIA
1998 Thomas J. Schoeman, AIA
1999 Richard Beckman, AIA
1999 Harry Campbell, AIA
2000 Ralph Casazza, AIA
2001 Ray Lucchesi, AIA
2001 Homer Rissman, AIA
2002 Bradley D. Schulz, AIA
2003 No Award
2004 E. Dale Scheideman, AIA
2005 Jack Sheehan, AIA
2006 Ed Vance, AIA
2007 J. Windom Kimsey, FAIA
2008 Ric Licata, AIA
2009 K. Brad Van Woert, III, AIA
2010 Craig Galati, AIA
2011 Eric Strain, AIA
2012 John Klai, II, AIA
2013 Greg Erny, AIA
2014 No Award
2015 Eric Roberts, AIA
2016 David Welles, AIA
2017 Jon Sparer, AIA
2018 Brandon Sprague, AIA
2019 Rick Sellers, AIA
2020 Angela Bigotti, AIA
2021 Dwayne Eshenbaugh, AIA
2022 Daniel J. Chenin, AIA
2023 No Award
2024 Glenn NP Nowak, AIA
2025 Michael A. Del Gatto II, AIA

Eligibility

Any AIA Nevada architect, living or dead, is eligible to receive the Silver Medal. Any AIA member, group of members or committee may nominate an AIA member for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award. No more than one Silver Medal shall be awarded in any year.

Criteria

- The candidate shall have evidenced a positive effect on the profession of architecture and the AIA over time.
- The candidate shall have positively influenced the direction of the profession of architecture.
- The candidate shall be an individual or couple whose contributions have consistently been directed toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas.
- The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed six pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Five to seven examples of the candidate's architectural work with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image of each project (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 21 pages).
- Five to seven one-page reference letters. Letters should be explicit in the recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

SERVICE AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Service Award** is presented to the individual AIA member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through service to the Nevada Chapter of the American Institute of Architects and /or to the AIA Las Vegas or AIA Northern Nevada Chapters.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1996 Craig Galati, AIA
1997 Kevin Jeffers, AIA
Bradley D. Schulz, AIA
1998 Frederic T. Feutsch, AIA
1999 Angela Bigotti, AIA,
Max Hershenow, AIA
Eric Strain, AIA
2000 Edward A. Vance, AIA
2001 David Frommer, AIA
2002 J. Windom Kimsey, AIA
2003 Mark Johnson, AIA
2004 Ric Licata, AIA
2005 Wade Simpson, AIA
2006 Larry Macias, AIA
2007 Curt Carlson, AIA
2008 No Award
2009 Pat Pusich, AIA
2010 Sean Coulter, AIA
2011 No Award
2012 Chuck Kubat, AIA
Black Rock Institute
2013 Gary Guy Wilson, AIA
2014 No Award
2015 Eric Roberts, AIA
2016 Mark Ryan, AIA
2017 Larry Staples, AIA
2018 Jon Sparer, FAIA
2019 No Award
2020 Dwayne Eshenbaugh, AIA
2021 No Award
2022 No Award
2023 Glenn NP Nowak, AIA
2024 No Award
2025 No Award

Eligibility

Any Architect Member of AIA Nevada in good standing is eligible to be considered for the Service Award. Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate an AIA member for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award.

Criteria

- Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria which may include:
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- The candidate shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession of architecture
- The candidate shall have influenced the direction/profession of architecture.
- The candidate shall be an individual whose contributions to the profession of architecture have consistently been directed toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas.
- The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate's design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 15 pages).
- Three one-page letters of support are required. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

YOUNG ARCHITECT AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Young Architect Award** is given to individuals who at an early stage of their architectural career, have shown exceptional leadership in design, education, and service to their community and to the profession of architecture.

Eligibility

Architect members of AIA Nevada who have been licensed to practice architecture for less than ten years. The term “Young Architect” has no reference to the age of the nominees. Candidates may be nominated by an AIA member or nominating group. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award. Jurors may award more than one Young Architect Award if they feel it is merited. Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate an AIA member for this award.

Criteria

Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria which may include:

- The candidate shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession of architecture.
- The candidate shall have given back to the profession and the community through work with the AIA or other industry-related organizations, mentoring, etc.
- The candidate shall be an individual whose contributions to the profession of architecture have consistently been directed toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas.
- The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate’s achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate’s work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate’s design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 15 pages).
- Three one-page letters of support are required. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1995 J. Windom Kimsey, AIA 1996
Eric Strain, AIA
1997 William Rick Sellers, AIA 1998
Edward A. Vance, AIA
1999 Steven Richardson, AIA
Kevin Jeffers, AIA
2000 Angela Bigotti, AIA
2001 Anthony Young, AIA
David Frommer, AIA
2002 Todd Vedelago, AIA
2003 Shelly Ann Hayden, AIA
Sean Coulter, AIA
2004 R. Brandon Sprague, AIA
2005 Mike Purtill, AIA
2006 Mike DelGatto, AIA
Mark Hobaica, AIA
2007 Roy Burson, AIA
Chris Fenton, AIA
2008 Ken Bartlett, AIA
Deepika Padam, AIA
2009 Danielle Fabri, AIA
Paul Cline, AIA
2010 Rob Filary, AIA
Eric Roberts, AIA
2011 Jeff Wagner, AIA
Rob Gurdison, AIA
2012 Daniel Chenin, AIA
Jennifer Turchin, AIA
2013 Brett Robillard, AIA
2014 No Award
2015 Lance Kirk, AIA
Jeni Panfars, AIA
2016 Ibrahim Kako, AIA
2017 Craig Palacios, AIA
2018 Chris Lujan, AIA
2019 Travis Allen, AIA
Alexia Chen, AIA
Tina Wichmann, AIA
2020 Michelle Brigida, AIA
2021 Clemente Cicoria, AIA
2022 No Award
2023 Hung Tran, AIA
Victoria Cousino, AIA
2024 Wellbe Bartsma, AIA
2025 Esther Garcia, AIA

ASSOCIATE AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Associate Award** is presented to the individual Associate member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2001 Jose Gamez, Assoc. AIA
2002 Lance Kirk, Assoc. AIA
2003 Robin Treston, Assoc. AIA
2004 No Award
2005 Robin Stark, Assoc. AIA
2006 No Award
2007 Deepika Padam, Assoc. AIA
2008 No Award
2009 Eric Roberts, Assoc. AIA
Yissa Renteria, Assoc. AIA
2010 Daniel Chenin, Assoc. AIA
2011 Ibrahim Kako, Assoc. AIA
2012 Chris Lujan, Assoc. AIA
2013 Wan Lee Cone, Assoc. AIA
Ken McCown, Assoc. AIA
2014 No Award
2015 Esther Garcia, Assoc. AIA
Nate Hudson, Assoc. AIA
2016 Ryan Sisti, Assoc. AIA
2017 Dominic Armendariz, Assoc. AIA
2018 Rafael Armendariz, Assoc. AIA
2019 No Award
2020 Maggie Will, Assoc. AIA
2021 Destanee Cook, Assoc. AIA
2022 No Award
2023 Michelle Tapia, Assoc. AIA
2024 No Award
2025 No Award

Eligibility

The AIA Nevada Associate Award is open to any Associate AIA member not licensed to practice architecture by the time of the submission deadline. Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate an Associate AIA member for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award.

Criteria

Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria, which may include:

- The candidate shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession of architecture.
- The candidate shall have influenced the direction/profession of architecture.
- The candidate shall be an individual whose contributions to the profession of architecture have consistently been directed toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas.
- The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate's design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 15 pages).
- Three one-page letters of support are required. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

ALLIED AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Allied Member Award** is awarded to the individual Allied member who has contributed significantly to the profession of architecture through their membership and participation in their local Chapter of the American Institute of Architects.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2001 Carol Coleman
2002 Pat Deputy
2003 T.J. Krob
2004 No Award
2005 Kelle Heming
2006 Shelley Cannon
2007 Maggie Allred
2008 Patricia Hegge
2009 No Award
2010 Maggie Allred
2011 No Award
2012 Carri Holmes
2013 No Award
2014 No Award
2015 Anna Peltier
2015 Gary Indiano
2016 Lynn Campbell
2017 No Award
2018 Ashley Gould
2019 No Award
2020 Clare Christensen
2021 Phillip N. Ralston
2022 Kayleigh Hasshaw,
CPSM
2023 No Award
2024 No Award
2025 No Award

Eligibility

Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate one Allied member for this award. Nominees must be AIA Allied members in good standing. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award.

Criteria

Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria as established by AIA Nevada which may include:

- The candidate shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession of architecture and the AIA in Nevada
- The candidate shall have given back to the profession and the community through work with the AIA or other industry-related organizations, mentoring, etc.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to transcend specific areas of expertise or shall have made connections between areas. The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate's contributions.
- Three one-page letters of support are required. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

FIRM AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Architecture Firm Award** is the highest honor that the AIA Nevada Chapter can bestow upon an architecture firm. It is awarded to recognize a firm that has produced distinguished architecture for at least five (5) years; has shown a commitment to the American Institute of Architects and the profession of architecture during that time; and has been of service to the community in which they are located.

PAST RECIPIENTS

1995 Holmes Sabatini Associates Architects
1996 Tate & Snyder Architects
1997 Cathexes, Inc.
1998 JMA Architecture Studios
1999 Carpenter Sellers Associates
2000 KGA Architecture
2001 RAFI (Robert A. Fielden, Inc.)
2002 Lucchesi Galati Architects
2003 Welles Pugsley Architects
2004 Klai Juba Architects
2005 SH Architecture
2006 No Award
2007 No Award
2008 Tate Snyder Kimsey Architects
2009 assemblageSTUDIO
2010 Pugsley, Simpson, Coulter Architects
2011 Van Woert Bigotti Architects
2012 Hawkins & Associates
2013 YWS Architects
2014 No Award
2015 Bunnyfish Studio
2016 SHarchitecture
2017 APTUS Architecture
2018 Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto Architects
2019 TSK Architects
2020 Ed Vance & Associates (EV&A)
2021 Daniel Joseph Chenin, Ltd.
2022 No Award
2023 No Award
2024 Carpenter Sellers Del Gatto
2025 NOVUS Architecture + Interiors

Eligibility

Any architecture firm that has not received this award in the last 5 years, located in Nevada, whether an individual or an organization of architects, is eligible for this recognition. Continuing collaboration among the individuals of the firm should be the guiding principal force in consistently producing distinguished architecture. The firm should also have evidenced a commitment to the AIA elevating the profession of architecture and to being of service to the community in which they are located. No more than one Architecture Firm Award shall be given in any year. Any AIA member, group of members or committee may nominate an architecture firm for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate. for this award.

Criteria

Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria which may include:

- The firm shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession of architecture and the AIA.
- The firm's work shall be a product of a collaborative environment that has consistently directed itself toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- 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 projects and services to the community by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the firm, its principals, and its history, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the firm's achievements, not to exceed six pages, including a narrative illustrating how the firms work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Seven to ten examples of the firm's design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 30 pages).
- Five to seven one-page reference letters. Letters should be explicit in the recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.

EMERGING PROFESSIONALS LEADERSHIP AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Emerging Professionals Leadership Award** was established by AIA Las Vegas and AIA Northern Nevada to recognize AIA Emerging Professional members (those licensed less than 10 years, or Associate Members) who are committed to advancing the profession, their Chapter and/or whose actions have helped to elevate and improve their communities.

The intent of the award is to invest in our state's young professionals, enriching future leaders not only within the Institute but in the profession at large. The award provides funding for the recipient to attend the annual Grassroots Conference, or similar event, in order to further their knowledge of the Institute and to develop their knowledge and skills as leaders for the future.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2015 Glenn Nowak, AIA
2015 Mercedes de la Garza, AIA
2016 Rhys Williams, Assoc. AIA
2017 No Award
2018 Travis Allen, AIA
2018 Jennifer Turchin, AIA
2019 Maggie Will, Assoc. AIA
2019 Destanee Cook, AIAS
2020 No Award
2021 No Award
2022 No Award
2023 Wellbe Bartsma, AIA
2024 No Award
2025 Kristen Levin, AIA

Eligibility

Candidates for this award must be members of the American Institute of Architects, newly licensed (less than 10 years), Associate Members or AIAS students, who evidence a strong commitment to the profession and who have taken an active leadership role in their Chapter and their community. Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate an AIA, Assoc. AIA or AIAS member for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award. Only one AIA Nevada Emerging Professionals Leadership Award may be given each year.

Criteria

Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria which may include:

- The candidate shall have evidenced a cumulative effect on the profession and the community through work with the AIA or other industry-related organizations, mentoring, etc.
- The candidate shall demonstrate their vision for a better built environment in terms of environmental social and civic issues, environment in a positive manner.
- The candidate shall be an individual whose contributions in their community have consistently been directed toward the future as well as respectful of the past.
- The candidate shall have evidenced the ability to lead in difficult situations in order to provide community-driven solutions which help benefit the profession.
- The candidate shall be widely recognized for the quality of his or her work and services by those who practice architecture and by members of the design and architecture community.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

- A biography of the candidate including a brief summary statement, work history, positions, honors, publications and presentations that relate to the purpose pose of the award, not to exceed two pages.
- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate's design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 15 pages).
- Three one-page letters of support are required. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.



CITIZEN ARCHITECT AWARD

The **AIA Nevada Citizen Architect Award** is presented to the individual AIA Nevada Architect member who has used his/her insights, talents, training, and experience to contribute meaningfully, beyond self, to the improvement of the community and human condition. The Citizen Architect stays informed on local, state, and federal issues, and makes time for service to the community. The Citizen Architect advocates for higher living standards, the creation of equitable communities, quality of life, and the greater good. The Citizen Architect seeks to advocate for the broader purposes of architecture through civic activism, writing and/or publishing, by gaining appointment to boards and commissions, and through elective office at all levels of government.

This award recognizes those who have contributed to their communities through service on not-for-profit boards, governmental office or boards, design charrettes or related efforts that demonstrate leadership of the architect as a citizen in the community.

PAST RECIPIENTS

2020 Monica Gresser, AIA
2021 Melvin D. Green, AIA
2022 No Award
2023 No Award
2024 No Award
2025 Rick Van Diepen, AIA

Eligibility

Any AIA Nevada Architect member in good standing who has demonstrated service to their community through their leadership and public service and have committed the time and expertise to public service in the betterment of their community. Any AIA member, group of members, or committee may nominate an AIA member for this award. Nominees may also self-nominate for this award.

Criteria

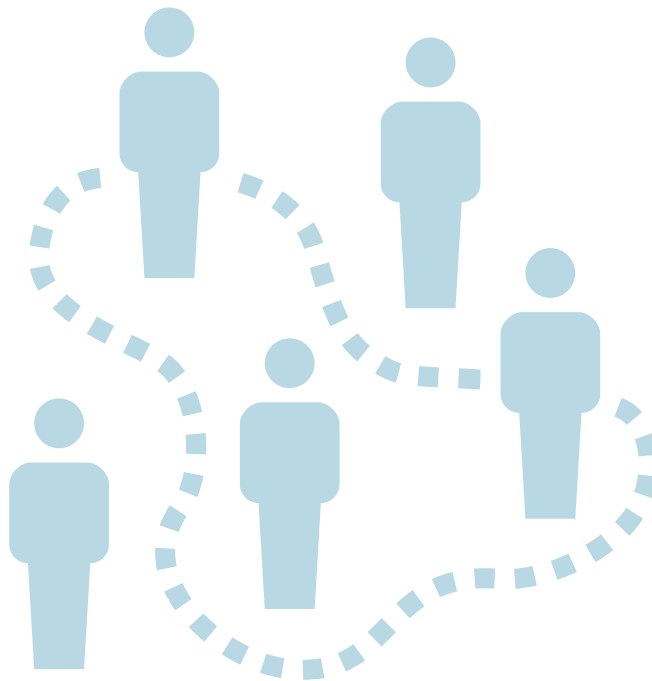
Candidates will be evaluated on how well they meet the program criteria which may include:

- Proven leadership which embodies civic engagement and actively addresses relevant community issues.
- Service and advocacy on a public board, commission or committee, either as an AIA representative or individually as an architect.
- Volunteer service through community outreach as an architect, including participation through their local or state AIA component task force, as well as pro-bono services for government, a school or a non-profit community organization.
- Advocacy activities intended to improve the built environment and social equity.

Submission Instructions

Each submittal must contain the following materials and must be presented in the order requested:

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- A list of the candidate's achievements, not to exceed four pages, including a personal narrative illustrating how the candidate's work has enhanced the profession through active engagement; and benefited the community with volunteer efforts. Miscellaneous materials such as clippings, articles, and other documents may be submitted, not to exceed an additional three pages.
- Three to five examples of the candidate's design work and/or services with three images for each example represented, including a site plan, an exterior, and interior image (up to 3 pages each for a maximum of 15 pages).
- Three to five one-page reference letters. Letters should be explicit in their recommendation and should address the criteria for the award.





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