



2023 *HOUSING* DESIGN AWARDS SUBMISSION CRITERIA & CHECKLIST

Often a person's first and most impactful interaction with architecture, housing shapes the way we live and react with our environment. Well-designed housing provides comfort, safety, and functionality, as well as influences our psychological and emotional well-being. By recognizing the best in housing design, AIA North Carolina aims to show others how well designed, sustainable, and comfortable spaces can impact our society.

Please follow the directions for submission outlined in this document. If you have questions regarding your submission, contact Keri Dixon, Director of Communications, at the AIANC office: (919) 833-6656; or by email: kdixon@aianc.org.

AIA North Carolina is in the process of adapting National AIA's Framework for Design Excellence (<https://www.aia.org/resources/6077668-framework-for-design-excellence>). This year's submittals will be asked additional questions that relate to the framework. The jury will be instructed to judge submissions based on criteria from the framework.

Design Awards Entry Checklist

Your entry should include:

ONE Online Form, including the following:

- Concealed Identification Data
- Housing Design Awards Descriptive Data and Framework for Design Excellence Additional Data

ONE Digital Upload, (link supplied after registration) including:

- up to 12 high-resolution (8.5x11 OR 16:9, 300dpi) JPEG images – one for each of the views, photographs, drawings, or diagrams you wish to present. Images will be labeled with your entry number or entry number.
- 1 high-resolution (8.5x11 OR 16:9, 300dpi) JPEG "Public Display Image".

Entry Fee: \$195 for AIA NC Member/\$230 for Non-Member entries purchased on or before **August 25, 2023**;
\$245 for AIA NC Member/\$280 for Non-Member entries purchased between **August 26 and September 15, 2023**.

Submission Deadline: September 15, 2023

Event: Design Awards Gala
October 26, 2023
in Charlotte

Submit to: AIA North Carolina, 14 East Peace Street, Raleigh, NC 27604.

Contact: Keri Dixon, Director of Communications: kdixon@aianc.org

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Detailed Entry Instructions

2023 Housing Design Awards Eligibility

AIA North Carolina's Design Awards to align with AIA and urgent climate change:

The world today is facing broad and complex challenges that threaten every aspect of our lives. The architect's call to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public has a new and broader meaning amid challenges such as increasing climate extremes and social inequity. Architects everywhere must recognize that our profession can harness the power of design to contribute to solutions addressing the most significant needs of our time. Every project can be used as a platform for addressing big problems and providing creative solutions. Every line drawn should be a source of good in the world. The Framework for Design Excellence represents the defining principles of good design in the 21st century. Comprised of 10 principles and accompanied by searching questions, the Framework seeks to inform progress toward a zero-carbon, equitable, resilient, and healthy built environment. These are to be thoughtfully considered by designer and client at the initiation of every project and incorporated into the work as appropriate to the project scope. The Framework is intended to be accessible and relevant for every architect, every client, and every project, regardless of size, typology, or aspiration. The Framework for Design Excellence challenges architects with a vision of what the profession strives to achieve.

For AIA NC Members

All entries, built or un-built, must be *housing projects designed by members of the North Carolina Chapter of the AIA*. The projects may be located anywhere in the United States or abroad. *Built projects must have been completed within the past 10 years. Un-built projects must be fully commissioned with a scheduled construction start date.*

For Non- AIA NC Members

All entries, built or un-built, must be *housing projects designed by architects licensed in North Carolina AND the projects must be located in North Carolina*. Built projects must have been completed within the past 10 years. Un-

built projects must be fully commissioned with a scheduled construction start date.

Projects that have previously won an AIA North Carolina Design Award are *not eligible* for entry for the Housing Design Awards. Previous Tower and COTE Award winners will be eligible for submission into the AIA NC Housing Design Awards.

All projects will be judged on criteria such as:

- the design's ability to be sensitive to and complimentary of its surroundings
- the design's solutions for its client's needs
- the way people interact with and inhabit the space

Digital Entry Submission

I. Online Submission Requirements:

Submit these steps for each entry:

- **Fill out one online form:** You will register your firm in our Design Awards System. *(If you have registered for awards in the past, you can log in and resubmit any eligible project for an AIA NC award. You will have the option to update any of the information you previously submitted.)* After you have registered your firm, you may submit your project's information into the "Registration Round." You will then have until September 15, 2023 to submit your information into the "Submission Round." In the submission round you will submit your Concealed Id, Descriptive Data, Digital Images and Photo Release Form. You will also have a chance to submit for the AIA NC Tower Award and the AIANC COTE Award in this process.

- A Digital Upload

- You will upload up to 12 Digital Images and one "Public Display Image" during the "Submission Round" process.
 - Image Size: 8.5" x 11" OR 16:9
 - Resolution: 300dpi
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IMPORTANT entry notes:

- Please be certain that digital images are uploaded in the order to be viewed during judging (**Jurors will hear the 100 word "Short Description" while viewing your images.**)

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We will not be requiring you to mail in a photo for your submission this year. Instead, you will be asked, in the photo upload process, which image you would like to have as your “Jury Photo.” We will use this image as a reference to your project during the jurying process.

All submission requirements must be received by the AIA North Carolina Office by **September 15, 2023**. **Entry Fees are non-refundable.**

Descriptive Data

The “Submission Round” form will contain both the Concealed ID and Descriptive Data Sheet. The format provided must be used without the addition of any photographs, drawings, lines, or color.

The “Short Description of Project” should be 100 words or less and will be read aloud while the jury views electronic images during the first phase of the jury process and later used for publication of the winners.

There will also be the “Type of Construction.” This information may be used in subsequent jurying rounds.

New this year- The Framework for Design Excellence is a standard for design that AIANC is focused on helping our architects achieve. This year, we will continue our efforts to highlight the Framework. Following the “Type of Construction”, there will be a 700 word description “Architect’s Statement Concerning the Framework for Design Excellence” (You can find more about the Framework here- https://content.aia.org/sites/default/files/2020-08/Framework_for_design_excellence_v3.pdf).

Additionally, you will be required to answer the following questions:

- 2030 Commitment: Is your firm a signatory of the AIA 2030 Commitment?
- 2030 Commitment: Is this project recorded in the AIA 2030 Design Data Exchange?
- Where charrettes done with stakeholders, community members, and the full project team prior to schematic design?
- Calculate Walk Score
- Calculate Transit Score
- Calculate Bike Score
- Was the site previously developed?

- Is storm water managed on site?
- Is landscape design focused on native plants?
- Is potable water used for irrigation?
- Is grey/blackwater reused on site?
- Is rainwater collected on site?
- Cost per sq/ft (note - not required— this information will be kept confidential and only shared with jurors)
- Predicted reduction from benchmark CBECS 2003?
- For built projects, what is the actual Net EUI?
- Was energy modeling used to inform design decisions?
- Are renewables used onsite?
- What percentage of occupied space has access to natural light?
- What is the building’s Embodied Carbon (in metric tons)
- Was a Whole Building Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) conducted?
- Was a "Chemicals of Concerns" list used to inform material selection?
- What is the designed lifespan of the building?
- Has the design made accommodations for projected climate change over the building’s lifespan?
- Was a post occupancy evaluation conducted on this project?

Finally, there will be an option to upload a completed Framework workbook. This will not be required this year, but is recommended. [You can find the workbook here>>](#)

Awards

There will be two categories of Housing Design Awards to be called “Honor Award” and “Merit Award”.

Awards will be presented at the Awards Gala, **October 26, 2023**. Details on if this gala will be coming soon.

Winners will receive three certificates, one for the architect, one for the owner and one for the contractor. Additional certificates will be at the expense of the award recipient.

Publication

AIA North Carolina intends to publish the entries receiving awards. Therefore, it is essential that drawings and photographs not be restricted against publication. It is the entrant’s responsibility to clear all drawings and

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photographs for release. A form will be provided to you to secure the necessary permission.

With the digital image submission, please include a separate JPEG of one public display image with the entry number. This can be a photograph or a collection of images that best represents the project and will be used for publicity. You **may** include your firm name on this image.

Submission Categories

One and Two Family Custom Residences-

Recognizes outstanding designs for custom homes for specific client(s).

Multifamily Housing - Recognizes outstanding multifamily housing design, both high- and low-density projects for public and private clients and mixed-use projects.

Renovations and Restorations - Recognizes renovations and restorations of housing projects of any size.

Affordable Housing - Recognizes architecture that demonstrates excellent design responses to the needs and constraints of affordable housing at a variety of scales.

Mixed Use Community Connection - Recognizes projects that integrate housing with other community amenities for the purposes of neighborhood transformation, meeting resident needs and/or supporting community objectives such as transit-oriented development.

Specialized Housing - Recognizes outstanding design of housing that meets the unique needs of other specialized housing types such as single room occupancy residences (SROs), independent living for disabled, residential rehabilitation programs, domestic violence shelters, residential halls/student housing, and other special housing.

Unbuilt - Recognizes projects that are fully commissioned, with a construction start date, but are not completed.