Categories of Fellowship

The six Objects of Fellowship and their sub-categories are described below. Click on the link to Recipients to see a list of recent Fellows in each sub-category with their summary statements. Those submissions which were deemed by the jury to be best examples in their object are noted in the list, and the most recent best examples are available online.

Prior to 2014, the requirements for exhibits were different, so examples from 2009 to 2013 are not the best models to follow. They are included in this document, but grayed out.

Electronic copies of submissions are available from archives@aia.org. Please include years as well as names in your request.

1. "To promote the aesthetic, scientific, and practical efficiency of the profession"
Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have produced distinguished bodies of work through design, urban design, or preservation. This may be accomplished through individual or organization effort. Works submitted may be of any size, for any client, of any scope, and reflecting any type of architectural design service.

Recipients in design Recipients in urban design Recipients in preservation

2. "To advance the science and art of planning and building by advancing the standards of practice"

Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have made notable contributions through their work in the practice of architecture.

Practice includes firm management, administration, and project management, or specialty areas (specific building types, technical expertise).

Recipients in Practice Management Recipients in Technical Advancement Recipients in practice (before 2015)

Note: Practice was divided into Practice Management and Technical Advancement starting in 2015. Education, research, and literature, formerly in object 2, have been moved to object 6.

3. "To coordinate the building industry and the profession of architecture"
Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have actively, efficiently, and cooperatively led the Institute, or a related professional organization over a sustained period of time and have gained widespread recognition for the results of their work.

Recipients who led the Institute Recipients who led related organizations

4. "To ensure the advancement of the living standards of people through their improved environment"

Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have made notable contributions in public service or work in government or industry organizations through leadership in the development of civic improvements and needed governmental projects, including such elements as conservation, beautification, land-use regulation, transportation, or the removal of blighted areas, or who have clearly raised the standards of professional performance in these areas by advancing the administration of professional affairs in their fields.

Recipients in public service Recipients in government/industry organizations

5. "To make the profession of ever-increasing service to society"

Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have made notable contributions to the public good through alternative careers or volunteer work with charitable organizations not directly connected to the built environment. Achievements may also be of a kind that transcends the other categories for advancement to serve society or humanity in a unique and important manner.

Recipients in alternative careers Recipients for volunteer work Recipients for service to society

6. "To advance the science and art of planning and building by advancing the standards of architectural education and training"

Fellowship in this object is granted to architects who have made notable contributions through their work in education, research, or literature. Work in education may be teaching, research, administration, or writing and should have a lasting impact, be widely recognized, and provide inspiration to others in the field and the profession. Research areas may include building codes and standards, specifications, new material applications, or inventions.

Recipients in education Recipients in research Recipients in literature

Note: Object 6 was new in 2022. Until 2021, education, research, and literature were part of Object 2. Past years' recipients for education, research, and literature are listed with Object 6 in this document for convenience.

2023 Dan Brunn

Los Angeles CA

Rooted in efficient minimalism, spatial choreography, and vibrant detail, Dan Brunn's design ethos draws on context, craft, and environmental responsiveness. He's been globally recognized for his thoughtful innovation through awards, publications, and invited appearances.

2023 Jonathan Feldman

San Francisco CA

Jonathan Feldman is committed to creating healthful and soulful environments that lift our spirits. His designs immerse buildings and their occupants in nature and advance the regenerative strategies that aim to repair our threatened ecosystems.

2023 Tenna Florian

San Antonio TX

Tenna Florian's visionary approach to design has a far-reaching impact. She leads and advances a sustainable, equitable, and collaborative design process that generates highly influential architecture that supports the well-being of people and the environment.

2023 Ravi Gunewardena

Los Angeles CA

Ravi GuneWardena's practice elevates cultural luminaries, promotes social justice efforts, and validates marginalized communities, advancing their legacies and visibility internationally, while exemplifying the role of architecture in advancing social equity and cultural promotion.

2023 Ping Jiang

Shanghai, China

Seeking to adopt a holistic approach to architecture, landscape and urbanism, Ping Jiang's work integrates environmentally sensitive and innovative design into architecture and urban environment. His practice has emerged as a top international design firm.

2023 Nerin Kadribegovic

Pasadena CA

Through his relentless design drive and indomitable forte for dissolving complex obstacles, Nerin Kadribegovic creates breakthrough prototypes for affordable and homeless housing while imbuing dignity and inspiring aesthetic where least anticipated.

2023 Anne Mooney

Salt Lake City UT

Anne Mooney has crafted a career dedicated to exploratory processes and meaningful architecture responsive to context, culture and community in both her practice and as an educator and mentor for an emerging generation of professionals.

2023 Yen Ong

Dallas TX

Yen Ong entwines matters of context, typology, and craft — to reframe places, purpose, meaning, and architectonic expression — into emotive works that are lucid, uplifting, and tactile with a nudge towards fantasy

2023 Gregg Pasquarelli

New York NY

Gregg Pasquarelli is a visionary American architect who has committed himself to transforming the process of design and delivery in support of the highest ideals of architectural excellence.

2023 Martin Primmer

Louisville KY

Exploring the intersections of place, memory, and economy of means Ross Primmer creates cultural and civic architecture that resonates on the level of individual and community.

2023 Robert Reis

Norfolk VA

Rob Reis believes architecture imparts a sense of joy and optimism to life. His work is an offering to that vitality, uplifting the lives of others through the environments, settings, and spaces he shapes.

2023 James Richard

Phoenix AZ

James Richärd leverages context, materiality, and tectonics in creating powerful and evocative spatial experiences. Through his integrative approach, he has achieved international recognition for inspiring sustainable projects that enrich the communities they serve.

2023 Cass Smith

San Francisco CA

Cass Calder Smith brings the experience of architecture to a broad public through the design of acclaimed restaurants around the globe. His work is responsive to place, reflective of culinary ethos, comfortably elegant, and enduring.

2023 Theodore Touloukian

Boston MA

Focusing on civic responsibility, Ted Touloukian's architecture enriches the human experience and is bound to its place by client, context, and climate; making people and places around it better.

2023 Angela Ward Hyatt

Boston MA

Angela Ward Hyatt is a national leader in library architecture. Her bold, transformative designs are enduring community anchors that create lasting connections in an increasingly polarized society.

2022 Jason Boyer

Phoenix AZ

Jason Boyer's work redefines what's possible through the eyes of the client - rethinking the norms of architectural practice to drive performance-based design solutions that result in elegant, simple, and compelling project outcomes.

2022 Robert Busch

Cincinnati OH

Harnessing the generative power of context and an inclusive collaborative process, Robert Busch crafts and distills a narrative between the dirt and the ethereal to design a legible, sophisticated architecture that elevates craft and experience.

2022 Hans E. Butzer (best example)

Oklahoma City OK

Hans E. Butzer's internationally recognized design practice leverages light, shadow, tectonics, and cultural expression to create inclusive places of identity, crafted through deliberate and diverse collaborations with community stakeholders and interdisciplinary professionals.

2022 Peter D. Cook

Alexandria VA

Peter Cook creates transformative, enduring designs that celebrate individuals and communities. His work transcends boundaries, exploring diverse contexts, histories and cultures to create beautiful spaces that promote greater inquiry, empathy and understanding.

2022 David Darling

San Francisco CA

Based on optimism, David Darling's multi-disciplinary practice has pursued the notion that architecture can improve the human condition by engaging all the senses, and by uncovering the latent potential in ordinary places, things, and people.

2022 Eric Höweler

Boston MA

As an architect and teacher, Eric Höweler is committed to architecture as a public art that expands knowledge through material innovation, connects to context through design research and embodies cultural values.

2022 Steven Kordalski

Cleveland OH

Steven Kordalski uses constraint to create simple, elegant solutions to interior architecture and small-scale projects normally not elevated through design. He uncovers the true design potential within ordinary projects to make the mundane magical.

2022 Kenneth Luker (best example)

Durham NC

Kenneth Luker's designs reconcile an inequitable past with architecture's responsibility to a more just future. He shapes program, space, and form to cultivate individual understanding, social awareness, and inspire collective community experiences.

2022 Matt Noblett

Cambridge MA

Merging European environmental and building technologies with proficiency in American construction practices, Matt Noblett has foregrounded comfort and conscientious sustainability, creating a new paradigm for iconic buildings that elevate occupants while reinvigorating neglected urban sites.

2022 Anthony Poon

Los Angeles CA

Anthony Poon—architect, author, musician, and artist—juxtaposes discipline and improvisation to create transformative architecture and re-imagine social engagement. His cost-effective designs, a new exemplar for the profession, assert that good design belongs to everyone.

2022 Mark J. Ryan

Phoenix AZ

Mark embodies a sensitive, impactful design approach, focused on exemplary project for troubled kids. Equally passionate is his longstanding engagement with education and strong, committed voice for the role of architecture withing the larger community.

2022 Ron M. Stelmarski

Dallas TX

Ron Stelmarski believes architecture is the hinge connecting people and place across time. His inventive work interprets culture and context, elevating the public realm and galvanizing communities with architecture of enduring aesthetic and social value.

2022 Tod R. Stevens

Grand Rapids MI

Award-winning architect Tod Stevens is a designer, researcher, practice leader and educator. His educational architecture engages research, sustainability, and craft, to impact learning and, provide inspirational environments for generations in their scholarly pursuit of knowledge.

2022 Benjamin Waechter

Portland OR

Ben Waechter designs buildings with clarity: each project a balancing act between contextual nuance and autonomous architectural organization.

2022 James W. Woolum

Los Angeles CA

James Woolum designs for significant organizational and cultural change, promoting transformative human experiences through well-crafted environments to enhance wellbeing and performance, encourage personal connections and community, and bring renewed purpose to under-valued buildings and spaces.

2021 Joshua Aidlin

San Francisco CA

Joshua Aidlin's transdisciplinary practice centers around multisensory experiences, engaging our visual, tactile, auditory, and olfactory senses. His rigorous design process, deeply sensitive to site and steeped in craftsmanship, yields biophilic environments that enliven the spirit.

2021 Brian Court

Seattle WA

Brian Court produces highly specific, bold and unconventional architecture that elevates the occupant experience. His performance-driven design process engages a deep exploration to uncover the essence of a problem and identify sustainable systems-based solutions.

2021 Arthur Dyson

Fresno CA

Arthur Dyson, AIA, is dedicated to the design of life fulfilling architecture. Through the discovery of unified momentum within material circumstances and psychological potentials, Dyson renders architectural solutions that nurture an equanimous belonging to place.

2021 Michael Halflants

Sarasota FL

Michael Halflants' contributions entails heading an award-winning design-build practice while helping develop an emerging architecture program. As design principal, he led the firm to produce innovative work well suited to South Florida's climate and culture.

2021 Michael Hsu (best example)

Austin TX

Michael Hsu designs for optimism. His work across a wide range of typologies combines diverse influences, materials and techniques to create a spirited architectural alchemy of unexpected and experiential solutions that both delight and inspire.

2021 Edward Jones

Tempe AZ

Eddie Jones is a pioneer in infusing environmental consciousness in thoughtful design across international borders. His innovation is shared through mentorship, collegiate teaching, and lectures, significantly affecting thousands over a forty-year career.

2021 Grant Kirkpatrick

Los Angeles CA

Grant Kirkpatrick's work elevates the continuum of modern residential architecture by knitting together a gracious conversation between form, craft, and nature to create architectural heirlooms that elevate the experience of home.

2021 Thomas Kubala

Cedarburg WI

Tom Kubala has conducted a lifelong effort to fully reflect the living world in architecture. He has reimagined the design process, reshaped the design studio and modified its working practices to unfold living buildings.

2021 Brian Lane

Santa Monica CA

Brian Lane demonstrates that design propels social benefit. His pursuit of regulatory reform amplifies the impact: accelerating production of affordable housing, adding value to preservation efforts, and raising the design benchmark for neighborhood buildings.

2021 Aaron Neubert

Los Angeles CA

Aaron Neubert's sensitively sited and meticulously detailed architecture orchestrates poetic relationships between landscape, light, and materiality, resulting in beautifully crafted spaces that amplify the human experience and advance stewardship of the natural environment.

2021 Brian Phillips

Philadelphia PA

Brian Phillips stewards a uniquely hybrid design practice, engaging building and research through the lens of the City of Philadelphia as a laboratory for living, working and making in the twenty-first century city.

2021 Hilary Sample

New York NY

Hilary Sample is an architect, writer, and educator, who through designing skillful forms in buildings and creative, defining books, synthesizes professional practice with architectural academia in a realized award winning, playful diverse body of work.

2021 John Sheehan

San Diego CA

John Sheehan's career has focused on producing thoughtful, sustainable, and life-affirming places for communities historically under served by the profession. Fueled by an optimistic pragmatism - his work has wrested the exemplary from the unlikely.

2021 Thomas Trenolone

Omaha NE

By rethinking the conventional boundaries of building typologies at all scales, Thomas Trenolone advances architecture's ability to be the catalyst for transformation. Through work and advocacy, he elevates design in context, culture and engagement.

2021 Geoffrey Warner

Minneapolis MN

Geoffrey C. Warner embraces Big Thinking for Small Projects. His weeHouse® and related explorations leverage design systems and prefabrication with an emphasis on craft, restraint, efficiency, and a celebratory use of resources.

2021 Yann Weymouth

St. Pete Beach FL

Yann Weymouth integrates science, art, and craft to create light-filled, innovative environments, distilling complex technical requirements into elegant abstract architecture, at the intersection of sustainability, resilience, and beauty, enriching user experiences and empowering their communities.

2021 Gregory Wiedemann

Bethesda MD

Gregory Wiedemann's residential work advances diverse stylistic responses to context, integrating building science and craft. His distinguished work informs his teaching which led to the adoption of a new national accreditation standard for architectural education.

2020 Javier Arizmendi

San Francisco CA

Javier Arizmendi successfully practices on a global scale combining contemporary technical knowledge with an extraordinary diversity of regional building traditions to achieve genuinely innovative architecture.

2020 Janet Bloomberg

Silver Spring MD

Janet Bloomberg reimagines the way we live now and will live in the future. She develops architectural prototypes as models, challenging conventional spatial relationships and ensuring adaptability, economy and innovation for our ever-changing society.

2020 Tom Chung

Boston MA

Tom S. Chung creates a nourishing public realm by pioneering sustainable Mass Timber Architecture, celebrating material and craft, and sharing his knowledge with current and future generation of architects.

2020 Brendan Coburn

Brooklyn NY

Artfully weaving contemporary design with historic fabric for over two decades, Brendan has demonstrated that reuse of America's 19th century buildings is a model for a thriving practice and continued stewardship of the built environment.

2020 Steven Dwyer

Minneapolis MN

Steven Dwyer's cultural arts and community centered work exemplifies a profound understanding of the intersection of place, program and beauty— which has resulted in national recognition for its localized and sensitive artfulness.

2020 Joseph G. Farrell

Sarasota FL

Joseph Farrell, an internationally-recognized Subtropical Modernist, has dedicated 50 years to respectfully designing inspired projects that uniquely combine fostering the preservation of nature, isle history, and the visionary reformation of open space for community use.

2020 Jason D. Forney

Boston MA

Jason Forney has expanded the boundaries of sustainable architecture, by grounding cutting-edge theories of regenerative design in the wisdom of historic building. His nationally recognized projects achieve superior ecological performance and engender deep emotional responses.

2020 Jeff Goldstein

Philadelphia PA

Jeff Goldstein connects people to place, history, and time through innovative explorations into the craft of building. His work engages clients in a robust, collaborative design process, demonstrating the power of architecture to inspire communities.

2020 Eric Haas

Los Angeles CA

Integrating poetic design and progressive conservation, Eric Haas infuses faded structures with fresh vitality. Through astute programming and rejuvenated, enriched architecture he effects transformational change in the lives of buildings and communities.

2020 Alec S. Holser

Portland OR

Alec Holser's transformative designs for cultural and learning environments have elevated and integrated pioneering sustainable design to the highest level of beauty and craft while connecting users to a future in balance with nature.

2020 Stephan Jaklitsch

New York NY

Stephan Jaklitsch's projects are explorations into the widely applicable potential of architectural design. The excellence of his work and his influence on the public-professional dialogue have expanded the significance of architecture and of the profession.

2020 Brian Korte

San Antonio TX

Brian Korte's work champions the honesty of modernism with a commitment to practical yet artful solutions that marry the strength of ideas bonded to the landscape with a passion for authenticity, richness and well-crafted materials.

2020 Donald D. Kranbuehl

Raleigh NC

Donald Kranbuehl creates architecture that transforms the ordinary into inspirational spaces. His work fuses constraints of program and economy with order, daylight, materiality and strong connections to site elevating human experience through design.

2020 Vivian Lee

New York NY

Vivian Lee designs meticulously crafted buildings that—through environmental calibration, technological innovation, and a keen understanding of local context and socio-cultural differences—promote an architecture predicated on sustainability, equity, and beauty.

2020 Sara Lopergolo

New York NY

For nearly three decades, Sara Lopergolo has created elegant design solutions for cultural, residential and commercial projects that transcend the practical and elevate quality of life all while cultivating a collaborative and engaging work environment.

2020 Scott Marble

Brooklyn NY

Scott Marble has worked to advance the discipline of architecture through his leadership in design innovation, architectural education and professional practice.

2020 Christiana Moss

Phoenix AZ

Christiana Moss forges a true "architecture for everyone" by bringing exceptional design to housing, university campuses and cultural buildings through regenerative bioclimatic design, a dynamic balance between form and context, and by advancing social equity.

2020 Samuel Olshin

Philadelphia PA

Sam Olshin's designs and master plans for historic structures and campuses have placed his work at the heart of community revitalization, thus advancing public understanding of and appreciation for the influential role of the profession.

2020 Jason E. Smith (best example)

Philadelphia PA

Jason E. Smith integrates art, research, and new modes of project delivery to expand the breadth and scope of architectural practice, yielding sophisticated work that is both rich in meaning and beautiful in craft.

2020 Robert Sponseller

Washington DC

Robert Sponseller tackles large, complex developments with brilliant contemporary architecture and sophisticated urban design that are in artful harmony with their surroundings. His infill projects model a respectful yet challenging design approach for communities nationwide.

2020 Eric Strain

Las Vegas NV

Eric Strain transcends stereotypes of contemporary Las Vegas to craft buildings that grow from the desert and echo its history and culture. His work engages individuals and communities in architecture's sensorial and ecological experience.

2020 Joseph Tanney

New York NY

A leader in prefabricated design, Joseph Tanney AIA creates nationally-recognized, award-winning homes with his distinctive design methodology, THE MODERN MODULAR. His impact has been transformative, broadening the understanding of prefab among the profession and public.

2020 Warren Techentin

Los Angeles CA

Leveraging his expertise in multi-family housing, digital design, and environmentally responsible urbanism, Warren Techentin is a design leader integrating urban strategies into architectural form to connect buildings more intensively with people, communities, and sites.

2020 Jose Javier Toro

San Juan PR

Through his award-winning practice, Jose Javier Toro conveys his belief that architecture is the silent harmonious symbiosis between context and its cultural significance, intertwined with creative design assemblages and innovative material experimentation.

2020 Bradley C. Touchstone

Santa Rosa Beach FL

Bradley Touchstone has expanded the role of the architect on major bridge projects and has dedicated his career to the design of beautiful bridges that stand the test of time.

2020 Jay Valgora

New York NY

Jay Valgora founded and leads an internationally recognized practice, STUDIO V. His influential designs in architecture, urban design and preservation transform urban edges and reconnect communities, while engaging history and context in innovative ways.

2020 Clifford M. Welch

Dallas TX

Cliff Welch creates timeless architecture. His work evokes a richness of detail, materiality, craftsmanship and artful composition elevating awareness and appreciation for design.

2020 Robert Whitlock

New York NY

Robert Whitlock redefines the skyscraper by balancing formal expression with purposeful consideration for how supertall buildings shape the urban skyline while dynamically engaging with the street below.

2019 Raya Ani

Dubai United Arab Emirates / New York, NY

Among the most influential architects in the Middle East, and an advocate for sustainability and empowerment, visionary architect and urban designer, Raya Ani's versatile work traverses disciplines to create meaningful experiences for society at large.

2019 Ruth Ellen Baleiko

Seattle WA

Ruth Baleiko's work is defined by her ability to translate a client's vision into iconic form and expression. Her spaces for learning and discovery weave together the functional and inspirational aspects of design.

2019 Stephen Cassell

New York NY

Stephen Cassell grounds his work firmly in research. With deep attunement to client mission, intellectual rigor, and material sensuality, he carefully crafts architecture to provide enduring beauty with a broader sense of purpose.

2019 Yung Ho Chang

Cambridge MA

Since early 1990's, Yung Ho Chang has pioneered a modern architecture in China that is situated in contemporary conditions yet rooted in local culture, arguing tradition can be part of modernity. His work is transformative.

2019 Jeanne Chen

Santa Monica CA

Advancing an inclusive design process that profoundly engages communities in the shaping, celebration and stewardship of their environments, Jeanne Chen's designs weave culture, context and craft to transform and bring new meaning to each place.

2019 Leo C. Chow

San Francisco CA

Leo Chow melds pragmatism and poetry, advancing a forward-thinking, human-centered model for urban architecture and environments. Integrating architecture, engineering and science, his global practice elevates the promise of architecture and expands the architect's role.

2019 Brandon A. Dake

Springfield MS

Brandon Dake is making a profound impact on people's lives through his relentless pursuit of design excellence. His leadership, invention and service is transforming communities with extraordinary solutions to ordinary problems.

2019 John R. DaSilva

East Harwich MA

John DaSilva weaves vernacular, traditional and modern themes together in his exceptional architecture and writing. Highly acclaimed and influential well beyond its context, his inventive, sustainable, and playfully evocative work is published extensively worldwide.

2019 Roy T. Decker

Jackson MS

Roy Decker expands the role of an architect in search of public good. Roy's dedication to design excellence, education, and craft infuses his work with meaning. His architecture speculates hopefully on our culture's growth.

2019 Melissa L. DelVecchio

New York NY

Melissa DelVecchio has demonstrated to the profession and influential clients that the principles of Classicism and Modernism can be dynamic conversational partners producing expressive buildings that give places identity and meaning.

2019 Nicholas P. Garrison

New York NY

Nicholas Garrison's innovative architecture is a collaboration among the built, the natural, and human experience. Eschewing conventions of style and typology, his work is elegant and timeless, superbly designed and humanistic in its intent.

2019 James G. Kalvelage

Portland OR

Jim Kalvelage's design leadership and acclaimed civic and campus projects advance new prototypes for public architecture through rational innovation, poetic simplicity and the interwoven relationship between building and site.

2019 Brian Kowalchuk (best example)

Lawrenceville NJ

Brian Kowalchuk distills complex programs into simple, elegant concepts that put people at the center. His technologically advanced architecture often defies convention as he designs to inspire connections that improve lives and foster extraordinary outcomes.

2019 Samuel M. Lasky

Boston MA

Samuel Lasky has demonstrated a deep commitment to the public realm, bringing functional, spatial and technical innovation to a wide range of building types and complex institutional projects— projects that are benchmarks for our profession.

2019 Nick Noyes

San Francisco CA

Nick Noyes has created a nationally recognized collection of houses that are consistently rich in formal clarity and expressive of the material nature of construction and offer extraordinary interrelationships between dwelling and the environment.

2019 Brandon F. Pace

Knoxville TN

Brandon Pace leverages constraint to create opportunity through progressive work developed with an attention to detail that is grounded and specific to purpose and place.

2019 Patricia Rhee

Culver City CA

Patricia Rhee elevates the "Design" in design-build delivery creating dynamic, award-winning environments for clients and community. As an advocate for design excellence, she shares her knowledge and empowers colleagues through lectures, juries and professional organizations.

2019 Lyn Rice

New York NY

Lyn Rice engages the public with memorable buildings that approach normative architectural issues unconventionally. Rice brings a resourceful civic-mindedness to a range of cultural projects, inventively mining practical constraint to generate unexpected design solutions.

2019 William T. Ruhl

Watertown MA

William Ruhl has been a highly respected member of the New England architecture community for over three decades. His award winning, internationally published residential and pro bono designs testify to his design and professional leadership.

2019 Bart Shaw

Fort Worth TX

Bart Shaw creates architecture of striking conceptual clarity, illuminating the highest aspirations of his projects. Blurring the lines of architecture, public art, and product design, he choreographs meaningful encounters that elevate human experience and understanding.

2019 Daniel Simons

San Francisco CA

Daniel Simons elevates affordable housing by using design as a "multiplier of good"— repairing the urban fabric, championing sustainability, and uplifting communities. His approach translates programmatic constraints into positive outcomes and, crucially, is replicable nationwide.

2019 Andrew Whalley

New York NY

Andrew Whalley's design vision and leadership have given rise to a portfolio of award-winning projects that elicit joy, foster unique experiences and impart a lasting, forward-thinking impression on people, places and institutions around the world.

2018 Alan Barlis

New York NY

Barlis has been at the forefront of Passive House design, maintaining that high-performance principles should be accomplished without compromise to the architecture, regardless of style, scale, or budget. This drives his professional work and advocacy.

2018 Craig Borum

Ann Arbor MI

Craig Borum's designs, architectural practice and engagement in the public discourse of design and digital fabrication have consistently demonstrated the power of design thinking, through highly crafted projects that are deeply rooted in their context.

2018 Eric Bunge

Brooklyn NY

Eric Bunge designs inventive environments for an expanded public life. As an architect and educator, he connects architecture with public space, innovation with context, and people with a changing world.

2018 Mary Burnham

New York NY

Mary Burnham's humanist approach to architecture conveys the power of design—at all scales—to positively impact people's lives. Her work expresses those values through a nuanced synthesis of placemaking, form, luminosity and materiality.

2018 Pablo Castro

New York NY

Pablo Castro is recognized for his pursuit of architecture as cultural project with a broad social agenda. His deep commitment to architecture of positive design contribution is disseminated through notable work, lectures and exhibitions worldwide.

2018 Katherine Kai-sun Chia

New York NY

Katherine Chia's bold, compelling designs pair the solidity and tactile quality of materials with the immateriality of light, form with flow, simplicity with eloquence, to create architecture that enhances and enlarges the collective human experience.

2018 José R. Coleman-Davis Pagán

San Juan PR

José R. Coleman-Davis Pagán, AIA has significantly contributed to the Caribbean's architectural heritage in the field of adaptive reuse of historic structures, augmented with a well-established record of contemporary designs and urban interventions.

2018 Chris Cooper

New York NY

Chris Cooper works at the intersection of architecture and art. Embracing color, light, texture, and landscape, he creates abstracted and emotive environments that engage both users and the public realm.

2018 Joseph Coriaty

Los Angeles CA

Joe firmly believes his designs positively impact the lives of its users by encouraging users to interact, create, hack, and disrupt the mundane to discover new ideas and better their surrounding communities.

2018 Jules Dingle

Philadelphia PA

Through novel expressions of craft that celebrate the act of making, Jules Dingle explores architecture's lyrical capacity to communicate via its materials and connect people to the experience of place.

2018 Wendy Dunnam Tita (best example)

Austin TX

As an architect of interior spaces, Wendy Dunnam Tita champions the conversation between design, craft, and people to advance and nurture this essential collaboration, and to enrich the human experience of architecture and its making.

2018 Craig Dykers

New York NY

Craig Dykers is internationally recognized for the development of architecture and landscape design with a singular and timeless response to the interactions of human nature and the natural world.

2018 Laura Hartman

Berkeley CA

Laura Hartman designs materially-engaging, finely-detailed buildings that acknowledge, interpret, and transform the traditions in which they are rooted, assembling many voices in innovative and adaptable responses to site and circumstance.

2018 Mark C. Hirons

Chicago IL

Guided by creative optimism, Mark Hirons sets a groundbreaking standard for impeccably crafted interior architecture, working within a greater context as a catalyst for engaging and enriching lives by designing meaningful and memorable experiences.

2018 Mark Jensen

San Francisco CA

Mark Jensen practices at the confluence of art, architecture, and building technology. Working across typologies, scales, and budgets, he engages culture and place, reaffirming the architect's direct role in shaping a thriving, dynamic society.

2018 Bernhard Karpf

New York NY

Bernhard Karpf has advanced a distinguished body of modern architecture at Richard Meier & Partners, distinctive for its order and composition, natural light, meticulous assembly, and site transformation.

2018 Matthew Kreilich

Minneapolis MN

Matthew Kreilich has spent his career elevating common building types into transformative design experiences using restraint and minimal means, his work gracefully responding to context, climate and program from concept to detail resolution.

2018 Lee Ledbetter

New Orleans LA

To create with synergy of site, structure, interior and art; to honor and preserve historic works with innovative interpretation for evolving use; these are embodied hallmarks of Lee Ledbetter's architecture and public advocacy.

2018 David Leven

New York NY

Architect and educator, David Leven's precisely detailed buildings actualize the progressive principles of openness, light and abstraction while challenging expectations of program and type.

2018 Brian J. Mac

Richmond VT

Brian Mac, AIA, is a residential architect in rural Vermont. The agrarian heritage, builder culture, and tightly-knit community of Vermont inspires his work, pulling familiar forms and landscapes into unique and creative works of art.

2018 Don H. May

Albuquerque NM

Prodigious in clarity, intelligence, and sensitivity to the desert Southwest's unique cultures and climate, the work of Don H. May, AIA, exerts a transformative influence on the essential role of public architecture in contemporary society.

2018 Wendy Pautz

Seattle WA

Wendy Pautz, AIA demonstrates the power of collaboration, leading multi-disciplinary teams to create transformative civic architecture. A leader of the profession, she inspires an inclusive, progressive firm design culture and mentors and supports emerging professionals.

2018 Candid Rogers

San Antonio TX

Candid Rogers creates finely detailed and thoughtfully crafted designs that are attuned to their environment, demonstrate inventive, small-scale interventions, and provide carefully refined, experiential spaces that engage the senses and enhance everyday life.

2018 Patricia Saldaña Natke

Chicago IL

Patricia Saldaña Natke's deeply personal and untiring civic engagement results in powerful designs serving the underserved. These projects have elevated the quality of the public realm at every scale of architectural intervention.

2018 John Lynch Sanders

Knoxville TN

With relentless passion for the profession, John Sanders has been a leader throughout his career by revitalizing communities through thoughtful and purposeful design, civic engagement, academic instruction, and commitment to the Institute.

2018 Thomas Savory

Columbia SC

Tom Savory's architecture engages people, honors history, respects context, revitalizes neighborhoods, reclaims neglected structures, and builds connections within communities. His work advances a model for architects to lead, inspire and embolden public passion for design.

2018 Clemens Bruns Schaub

Vero Beach FL

Tropical architecture is the nucleus of Clemens Schaub's career. The work is a fusion of historical, climatically-driven precedents, including orientation, alignments and details, with a contemporary attitude toward present day expectations of lifestyle.

2018 Carrie Strickland

Portland OR

Making the value of concept driven design conspicuous to clients and a widening community through provocative work, Carrie Strickland has opened new horizons in design and culture.

2018 Henry Tom

Tucson AZ

Henry's designs demonstrate a strong land ethic; inseparable from culture, climate, and place and an unswerving commitment to problem definition, in the "Problem Seeking" tradition.

2018 Peter F. Vieira, Jr.

Boston MA

Through architecture that exhibits rigorous attention to craft, the careful orchestration of visual experience, and a deep commitment to sustainability, Peter Vieira's work humanizes programmatically complex and technologically intensive buildings for colleges and universities.

2018 Mark Yoes

New York NY

Mark Yoes pioneed the integration of architecture and infrastructure for the public realm. His architectural designs have set a national standard by infusing New York's built environment with civic dignity.

2018 Steve Ziger

Baltimore MD

Citizen designer, Steve Ziger's work advances civic architecture through a refined design that is rooted in place, inspires optimism, and enhances community engagement.

2017 Barbara Bestor

Los Angeles CA

Barbara Bestor actively redefines contemporary life through experimental design and urbanism. Her urban villages transform communities through bespoke and multifamily dwellings, workspaces and commercial hubs with a 21st century humanistic approach.

2017 Joseph N. Biondo

Bethlehem PA

Through artfully crafting only what is absolutely necessary, Joseph Biondo manifests an inherent and lasting relevance in his architecture.

2017 Brian H. Chaffee

Denver CO

Brian Chaffee creates imaginative public architecture born of the synthesis of building, mission and context. His work is inspired by cultural, historical and physical settings and the desire to create uplifting visitor experiences.

2017 Frank Clementi

Los Angeles CA

Frank Clementi broadens architectural practice with innovative projects and transformative teaching, integrating architecture, landscape, graphic and product design. His uniquely thoughtful work transcends scale to celebrate place and culture for people of all means.

2017 Sam D'Amico

San Francisco CA

Sam D'Amico artfully integrates daylight, nature and architectural form with healthcare's complex functional requirements to profoundly enhance patients' lives. His enduring designs have elevated healthcare design and influenced the industry with his uplifting healing environments.

2017 Anne Marie Duvall Decker (best example) Jackson MS

Anne Marie Duvall Decker creates meaningful public works. Grounded in the concrete realities of local tradition, these works invite the intangible and uncommon that are tangible and common to all. Her architecture elevates human experience.

2017 Martin Felsen

Chicago IL

Plying the boundaries between practice and education, Martin Felsen blends design and data to produce uniquely progressive, site-specific built works and research, resulting in a new aesthetic for environmentally resilient architecture, landscapes, and public space.

2017 Richard C. Franko

Seattle WA

Through the integrated design of highly sustainable, experientially layered projects Richard Franko advances sustainable design, environmental learning and cultural heritage. Rich creates environments to engage children, manifest natural systems and animate stories of diverse cultures.

2017 Randolph E. Guillot

Oak Park IL

Randy Guillot creates transformative and sculptural design solutions that advance ideas of a critical and inclusive architecture around health. He activates the power of human interaction through designing optimistic places for healing, learning and working.

2017 Gary Haney

New York NY

Gary Haney uses breakthrough technologies, sustainable strategies, and innovative structural geometries as the inspiration for iconic architectural forms. His pioneering buildings fuse bold engineering concepts and expressive materials to elevate user experiences and transform cities.

2017 William K. Hellmuth (best example)

Washington DC

Bill Hellmuth balances the art and science of design through technically complex projects. His designs are recognized across the globe in work which celebrates context, sustainability and the aspirations of his clients.

2017 Michael William Jacobs

Lexington KY

Michael's designs elevate the appreciation of architecture, engender awareness, and positively impact a cross-section of communities: urban and rural. His design innovation, process, and teaching advance the state of design with clients, students, and peers.

2017 Timothy Johnson

New York NY

Timothy Johnson has transformed urban environments worldwide by designing buildings that blur the line between public and private, thereby uniting clients with their communities, landmarking their respective cities and invigorating entire neighborhoods.

2017 Thomas D. Kearns

Concord MS

Thomas D. Kearns is nationally recognized for design innovation at academic institutions. His work focuses on fostering community, strengthening identity, and transformative learning. He is deeply committed to mentorship of emerging leaders in design.

2017 Mark David Kranz

Phoenix AZ

Inspired by opportunities to transform higher education and research campuses, Mark is focused on highly sustainable and regionally authentic designs that explore the unique convergence of program, place and client identity.

2017 Philip L. Laird

Boston MA

Throughout his career, Philip has shared his expertise and advanced the quality of design for the profession through his commitment to collaborating with clients, communities and other design professionals, both at ARC and nationally.

2017 Paul M. Lewis

New York NY

Architect, professor, speaker and author Paul Lewis has bridged the worlds of practice and academia producing award-winning architecture, interiors, books and conceptual projects. His acclaimed built works synthesize design excellence and tectonic innovation.

2017 Daniel Libeskind

New York NY

Daniel Libeskind believes that buildings contribute to the greater cultural context in which they are built. Committed to expanding the scope of architecture, reflects his profound interest and involvement in philosophy, art, literature and music.

2017 Constantine Demetrios Liollio

Charleston SC

For Dinos Liollio, design originates through the eyes and stories of communities, creating the narrative for regional architecture, based on subtle and restrained design rooted in context, culture and collaboration.

2017 Reynolds Logan

New York NY

Renny Logan has advanced a distinguished body of modern architecture at Richard Meier & Partners, distinctive for its order and composition, natural light, meticulous assembly, and site transformation.

2017 Anthony J. Markese

New Haven CT

With clarity and conviction, Anthony Markese designs transformative institutional and corporate projects that reimagine the new workplace, integrate and leverage wellness and sustainability, foster community, and help to reweave our cities' frayed urban fabric.

2017 Joeb Moore

Greenwich CT

Joeb Moore designs precise and innovative buildings that engage landscape, art, and history to explore tensions and relationships between vernacular forms and modern architecture. He combines tradition and innovation so that each enhances the other.

2017 Stephan Mundwiler

Los Angeles CA

Connecting design responses to context and culture, Stephan Mundwiler has created profound and innovative work informed by examination and experimentation, pushing physical boundaries and heightening societal understandings of the power and influence of architecture.

2017 Mark A. Outman

Denver CO

Mark Outman has dedicated his 35-year career to elevating the human spirit through the experience of public architecture. By designing thoughtful, intuitive, and transformative complex public projects, he has sought to enhance and enrich communities by fundamentally changing the way people interact with the civic realm.

2017 Robert Shaw Pfaffmann

Pittsburgh PA

Rob Pfaffmann's work reflects a design strategy that advances Architecture through integration of sustainability, preservation and placemaking. He raise expectations for design excellence at multiple scales throughout his region and beyond.

2017 Mark Rohde

Albuquerque NM

Extraordinary in its clarity and sensitivity to the Southwest's unique cultures and sense of place; the work undertaken by Mark Rohde, AIA, has exerted a transformative influence in articulating the critical role of public architecture in contemporary society.

2017 David E. Sellers

Warren VT

An inspirational leader, David Sellers launched today's design/build process, strengthening the architect's role in society. His improvisational, entrepreneurial approach – championing craftsmanship, artistry and sustainability – has created a 50-year legacy of architecture, products and town plans.

2017 JP Spickler

Washington DC

JP Spickler redefines corporate architecture. He skillfully orchestrates complex requirements with pioneering technologies to advance design excellence. JP's transformation of obsolete structures is revitalizing the urban fabric by setting precedent for sustainable redevelopment.

2017 Charles Swartz

Winchester VA

Through his situational, provisional, and inventive approach to design, as well as his respect of history and place, Chuck is reshaping his small city and having a positive effect on his community through design excellence.

2017 Wayne J. Troyer

New Orleans LA

Wayne Troyer artfully weaves distinctive new construction and inventive adaptive reuse projects into the urban fabric. His commitment to design, mentorship, and civic engagement has made him a leader in revitalizing historic and post-industrial environments.

2017 Norman Dean Ward

Fort Worth TX

Norman Ward's architecture arises from a profound clarity of thought and a deep joy of making. His homes are a celebration of craft, creation, art, and life.

2017 Takashi Yanai

Culver City CA

Takashi Yanai elevates the "culture" of people and place with breathtaking houses, connecting man and nature through masterful siting and exceptional craft. He inspires the public and the profession through publications, teaching, and advocacy.

2016 Karl Alan Backus

San Francisco CA

Karl Backus combines technical innovation with contextual and programmatic responsiveness. His thoughtful and sensitive design approach results in highly transformative spaces that resonate and inspire academic researchers, creative artists, and the modern consumer.

2016 Annie Chu

Los Angeles CA

Annie Chu is a champion of interior architecture, advancing design excellence and elevating the discipline as an essential component of architecture through the design of award-winning environments, education, and professional and civic leadership.

2016 Ernesto Cragnolino

Austin TX

Ernesto Cragnolino's architecture seeks out and engages conflicts that are intrinsic to the work's individual circumstances. By embracing subtlety and nuance he elevates experience over visual expression.

2016 Joel Davy

Fargo ND

Joel Davy has left a lasting impression on the Upper Midwest landscape by applying an occupant focused, regionally sensitive design philosophy to his work, and passing his experience along to the next generation of architects.

2016 Roberto C. de Leon, Jr.

Louisville KY

Roberto de Leon explores a thoughtful understanding of place and cultural context, placing an emphasis on craft, fabrication, and the potential of ordinary materials.

2016 Jack DeBartolo, III

Phoenix AZ

Uniquely characterized by his passion for design, Jack DeBartolo 3 combines practice, teaching and serving in the profession to shape transformational works of architecture with simplicity and purpose.

2016 Philip Durham

St. Louis MO

Philip has dedicated his architectural career to creating architecture that is sensitive to each project's unique environment and built context, while maintaining a commitment to design excellence.

2016 David Eisen

Boston MA

David Eisen's work leverages limited resources to create inspiring places for diverse communities. Through writing and design he has demonstrated architecture's power to give form to society's highest aspirations.

2016 Martin J. Finio

New York NY

Martin Finio combines an embrace of constraints with a keen attention to light, material, detail, and construction. His work displays a consistent elegance, invention, and restraint, bringing meaning to place and elevating life's daily rituals.

2016 James D. French

Overland Park KS

A pioneer in shaping spaces that engage children in learning, Jim French has advanced school design through his practice, programs and professional associations and led a national movement to change the way architects design schools.

2016 Hsinming Fung (best example)

Los Angeles CA

Hsinming Fung's emphasis on rigorous formal logic and precise delineation of materials has translated into exceptional designs, balancing innovation and poetic sensitivity. Her academic leadership has been instrumental in bridging the discipline and contemporary practice.

2016 Christof Jantzen

Los Angeles CA

Christof Jantzen creates innovative and environmentally responsive architecture that synergizes ecology with uncompromising design ethics. His work is driven by the interplay of climate, technology, culture, and beauty that celebrates place and unique architectural identity.

2016 James Jennings

San Francisco CA

For four decades, Jim Jennings has consistently produced buildings of unwaveringly elegant craft and expression that integrate form, detail, light and landscape into a signature modernist architecture.

2016 Aric J. Lasher

Chicago IL

Aric Lasher's architecture engages recognizable form and detail with rigor and invention. His buildings, ensembles and film sets reflect the distinct cultures of communities and their institutions.

2016 Jennifer Luce

San Diego CA

Jennifer Luce merges the architectural languages of industrial manufacturing and refined minimalism to create a highly rewarded architecture, distinguished by material innovations, masterful spatial transitions, and a forward-minded interplay among architecture, art, landscape, and design.

2016 David D. Montalba

Los Angeles CA

At a variety of scales, David Montalba crafts the human experience through design by engaging in a refinement of detail, inventive use of materials and an emphasis on sculpting space with volume and natural light.

2016 Stuart Narofsky (best example)

Long Island NY

Stuart Narofsky redefines design of dwellings for living by translating client desires through meaningful relationships and natural response to site, building craft, and material experimentation. Stuart inspires passion for design, innovative thinking, and hands-on experience.

2016 James Mary O'Connor

Santa Monica CA

Submission is not available.

2016 David M. Powell

Nashville TN

David Powell's architecture is consistently rich in concept, skillfully expressing the unique values inherent in each project. Through his work and community engagement, David has become an influential voice for the intrinsic value of architecture.

2016 Glenn Rescalvo

San Francisco CA

Harnessing the power of mixed use residential buildings to transform underutilized urban districts into vibrant ecosystems in the U.S. and overseas, Glenn Rescalvo has created carefully planned, contextually responsive architecture of substance and craft.

2016 David Mark Riz

Philadelphia PA

David Riz puts theories about design, construction, and collaboration into practice, creating carefully-crafted, site-specific architecture that enriches human interaction, responds to the environment, and artfully celebrates the everyday.

2016 Peter Rose (best example)

Boston MA

Peter Rose is a recognized leader in architectural and urban design whose superbly detailed institutional, residential, and urban design projects choreograph revelatory architectural experiences and blur the boundaries between the built environment and landscape.

2016 William Ryall

New York NY

William Ryall has set a new standard for environmental sustainability, to which it informs and results from innovative design. He has established the practical, functional, and aesthetic contributions of sustainable design to architectural excellence.

2016 William Q. Sabatini

Albuquerque NM

William Sabatini, AIA, provides an indelible imprint of extraordinary accomplishment in the high desert of America's Southwest. Resonating within physical and cultural contexts, Bill uniquely succeeds in advancing expectations for design distinction, economy, and relevance.

2016 Kimberly Sheppard

New York NY

Throughout thirty years of design innovation, leadership, and preservation endeavors, Kimberly Sheppard combines light and space with exacting materiality to conceive sculptural environments which engage and enhance the lives of the end user.

2016 Scott Simons

Portland ME

Scott Simons creates honest, modern, optimistic buildings. Through authentic engagement, he creates spaces that enhance people's experience of place and strengthen communities. His reach extends beyond his built work, advancing design excellence throughout New England.

2016 James J Slade

New York NY

Thoughtfully synthesizing each project's unique conditions, James Slade's architecture and interiors embody diverse client identities through form, materiality, color, graphics and texture.

2016 Max Wilson Strang

Miami FL

Through his work and discourse Max Strang has masterfully underscored the ongoing relevance and importance of regional modernism to an international audience.

2016 Dan Wood

New York NY

Dan Wood is committed to sustainability and programmatic innovation, through creative combinations of the historic and contemporary that often integrate nature. Wood's architecture honors the past, creates welcoming spaces and engages ecology.

2016 (Charles) Al York

Austin TX

With economy, restraint, and an uncommon sensibility for context, Al York creates architecture that resonates with a timeless sense of belonging by exposing the underlying grace of the ordinary and revealing beauty within familiar situations.

2016 Alek Zarifian

Los Angeles CA

Bridging scientific rigor and social inclusiveness, Alek Zarifian orchestrates an inventive and inclusive design process to weave complex healthcare and clinical research programs into places of collaborative discovery, transforming and enriching the clinical community workplace.

2015 Patrick Ahearn

Edgartown MA

Patrick Ahearn has advanced the art of placemaking through human-scaled design that sensitively preserves the historic theme and character of the locale yet also celebrates contemporary lifestyles.

2015 Chuck Armstrong

Dallas TX

Chuck Armstrong is a national leader in the design of large public projects. Regardless of their size and complexity, his recognized projects are approachable, bringing enjoyment to millions.

2015 Matthew Baird

New York NY

Matthew Baird's internationally recognized work embodies his passionate search for a timeless Architecture that creates beauty, compelling form, and cultural significance through his studied pursuit of a language of materiality and its optimized tectonic expression.

2015 Charles Bettisworth

Fairbanks AK

A passionate designer, advocate, mentor, collaborator, and community builder, Charles Bettisworth loves Alaska. Through design, he celebrates the northern environment, its landscapes, people and cultures, always working to improve the present and future of Alaska.

2015 Wendell Burnette

Phoenix AZ

Wendell Burnette is focused on realizing designs that resonate with the culture of people and place to manifest architecture simultaneously functional and poetic regardless of budget or context toward long-term social and environmental sustainability.

2015 E. Tim Carl

Minneapolis MN

Tim Carl's architecture transforms institutions by artfully connecting new ideas about program and culture with a deep understanding of place. His sensitivity to context creates beautiful, sustainable places that revitalize organizations and enrich communities.

2015 Robert C. Chandler

Boston MA

Rob Chandler designs inspiring higher education and institutional buildings that powerfully support the social interaction critical in our lives today. His work fosters a new kind of intellectual and community learning that is impacting generations.

2015 John R. Cottle

Basalt CO

John Cottle has redefined mountain resort environments and demonstrated that place-based architecture can rekindle our everyday awareness of the natural world and create evocative buildings that are intellectually and emotionally engaging.

2015 H. Hobson Crow III

San Antonio TX

With an approach analogous to literary close reading—the meticulous analysis of a short text—H. Hobson Crow III explores the finer substance of architecture, balancing the poetics of material expression and form with context and place.

2015 Kevin John deFreitas

San Diego CA

Thoughtful placemaking, informed sustainability, and a strong visual presence define Kevin deFreitas' acclaimed portfolio. With a modern aesthetic, deFreitas elevates the public's awareness of design excellence, and clarifies its essence, through his forward-thinking, community-minded work.

2015 Neil M. Denari

Los Angeles CA

The work and teaching of Neil Denari is internationally recognized as an influential force in the discipline. His unique architectural language, combined with his clarity of thought and execution, are hallmarks of this important work.

2015 Julie Eizenberg

Santa Monica CA

Julie Eizenberg instills dignity, sociability, and community into memorable architecture. Her work demonstrates to the profession and the public the power of design to make social change.

2015 Scott A. Erdy

Philadelphia PA

Scott Erdy promotes design excellence through his award winning projects that celebrate place, program and cultural relevancy while exploiting the conceptual potential of normative programs into architecture of poetic beauty and cultural significance.

2015 Harold D. Fredenburgh

New York NY

Harold Fredenburgh's architecture is distinguished by memorable imagery of form, most visibly in emblematic towers that grace major cities across the country. His skyline romances are anchored at street level by a rich social dimension.

2015 Clifford V. Gayley

Boston MA

Over the past 25 years, Cliff Gayley has been a leader in inventing and redefining new building types that shape our cities and our campuses, and that define our Public Realm.

2015 Mark Gilliand

Washington DC

Mark Gilliand's designs serve the city. His work enriches civic life in the Nation's Capital City by bolstering its timeless master plan with designs that are firmly rooted in our time.

2015 Robert W. Goodwin (best example)

New York NY

Robert Goodwin consistently creates an inventive, resourceful and transformative architecture. His work reflects a deep understanding of content, climate, context and culture to convey an authentic sense of place and meaningful architectural identity.

2015 Margaret Griffin

Los Angeles CA

Margaret Griffin's dynamic award winning designs synthesize inside and outside contexts to reinterpret and transform our communal and individual cultures. She is a design leader, bridging the profession, community, and academy to promote design excellence.

2015 Gary Handel

New York NY

Gary Handel has pioneered the design of hybrid residential buildings that measurably revitalize underutilized neighborhoods in historic city centers with a rigorous emphasis on civic space and a discerning interpretation of local materiality and scale.

2015 Robert Jackson

Austin TX

Robert Jackson's buildings are living systems that observe the world, explore the lessons of history, and integrate the connections we have to nature, and to each other.

2015 Sharon L. Johnston

Los Angeles CA

Sharon Johnston is internationally recognized for her architecture, masterfully engaging physical and cultural circumstances through the precise synthesis of structural form, materiality, and atmospheric light. Her enduring work strengthens the connection of art and architecture.

2015 Rick Joy

Tucson AZ

Rick Joy shows us how efficient and environmentally sensitive architecture can emerge as a by-product from his quest for the timeless qualities that are always associated with great architecture.

2015 Sheila Kennedy

Boston MA

Sheila Kennedy has created a new model for professional practice that integrates design research across scales. As architect, innovator and educator, her designs transform given materials to advance architecture and address emerging public needs.

2015 Carl F. Krebs

New York NY

Carl Krebs creates places that foster community and identity by connecting people to the cultural context and history that are bound into sites and physical settings.

2015 Sandra M. Laux

Detroit MI

Sandra Laux's commitment to socially responsible design is visible through her nationally recognized award-winning portfolio; the design education of students and the public; and her service to the AIA and the community.

2015 Kapil Dev Malik

Los Angeles CA

Kap Malik's influential work rises from profound connections to place and culture. It merges architecture, sustainability and urbanism in harmony to create new global paradigms that reconsider the possibilities of the built environment.

2015 Daniel K. McCoubrey

Philadelphia PA

Dan McCoubrey designs contextually resonant, excellently crafted, and profoundly transformative places for leading academic and cultural institutions. As architect, educator, and civic leader, he advocates design that promotes identity while enriching the broader community.

2015 Gregory R. Mottola

San Francisco CA

Greg Mottola is a humane modernist whose rigorous, spirited architecture and interior environments resonate with context, resulting in buildings with remarkable emotional power. He shapes spaces that allow occupants opportunities for engagement, innovation, and exploration.

2015 Chad Oppenheim

Miami FL

Chad Oppenheim's work is based on both a physical and spiritual contextual sensitivity. He designs with a sensitivity towards man and nature, harmonizing with the surroundings of each context in order to ENHANCE LIFE.

2015 Pamela Lucas Rew

Princeton NJ

Pamela Rew strives for architecture that reflects time, context, and values. Driven by empathy for a place and its community, she has had a broad and incisive impact on campus architecture.

2015 David Rockwell

New York NY

David Rockwell explores theater as public performance and a narrative medium to design experience-rich environments. By merging theater and architecture, Rockwell uses the built form to imagine new worlds, tell stories, and engage with others.

2015 Charles Rose

Somerville MA

The work of Charles Rose explores relationships between site and architecture, and tectonics and architectural form. His designs, from large university buildings to remote artist colonies, express a dynamic dialogue with site.

2015 Gabriel Smith (best example)

New York NY

Architect, craftsman, educator, Gabriel Smith's endeavors converge in spirited modernist buildings. His hands-on work reveals the extraordinary in the 'ordinary' by carefully weaving elemental materials with site, space, and light.

2015 John Sparano

Salt Lake City UT

The architecture of John Sparano, AIA employs the extraordinary use of everyday materials, placing a high priority on the expression of embodied ideas through a refined formal language and innovative material expression.

2015 Boris Srdar

Seattle WA

Boris elevates the design of K-12 facilities, transforming this project type. Emphasizing programmatic innovation, experiential quality, and intrinsic sustainability strategies, his schools enrich students' aesthetic sensibilities through their experience of light, space, texture and proportion.

2015 Keat C. Tan

Denver CO

Keat Tan designs notable public buildings, weaving a sense of place, user vision, sustainability, and functionality to establish a unifying "Big Idea" to inform his projects with meaning and purpose.

2015 Joseph Gabriele Tattoni

Princeton NJ

Joseph Tattoni is a poetic storyteller who masterfully synthesizes material, form and light to create buildings that enrich people's experience of place and forge strong identities. His buildings are diverse in expression, inventive and original.

2015 Cory M. Ticktin

Shanghai, China

Cory Ticktin's work has consistently demonstrated the power of critical design thinking creating award winning projects globally. As a design leader, his work has bridged multiple geographies researching cultural regionalism to promote design excellence.

2015 Steven Land Tillotson

San Antonio TX

Steven Land Tillotson creates architecture in the public realm vitally connected to the memory and meaning of place; embracing and improvising cultural patterns with intuitive sensitivity, informed selectivity and passionate vision.

2015 Jonathan R. Ward

Los Angeles CA

Jonathan Ward has used architecture to create powerful human networks which are necessary to drive innovation in the 21st century. Through a highly creative and collaborative process of design he has reinvigorated traditional building typologies.

2014 Andrew Diamond Berman

New York NY

Andrew Berman's work capitalizes on the specific qualities of place, seeking creative opportunity in the desires, needs and constraints imposed by clients and context. His projects are evidence that necessity is a catalyst for design.

2014 Sanford Bond

Richmond VA

Sanford Bond's work, which thoughtfully integrates site, purpose, and experiential form, reflects singular, idiosyncratic design convictions. From adaptive use to new construction, Bond has contributed progressively to urban revitalization while collegially promoting Virginia's architectural profession.

2014 Russell Norton Buchanan

Dallas TX

The work of Russell Buchanan demonstrates the value of restraint and the power of critical design thinking. It is widely recognized for its sculptural composition, geometric rigor, attention to detail and integrity of craft.

2014 Raymond S. Calabro

Seattle WA

Ray Calabro's architecture engages the landscape through the use of choreography and robust forms. His approach integrates building, landscape and interpretive design, resulting in experiences that intimately connect people to the natural and man-made environment.

2014 Susan Cole Cannon

Raleigh NC

Susan Cole Cannon designs the extraordinary from the ordinary, inspiring peers, students and clients through a modern sensibility that respects history and elevates craft. Her award-winning work celebrates thoughtful, design-driven solutions for everyday requirements.

2014 Ernest F. Cirangle

Culver City CA

Ernest Cirangle creates landmark buildings that balance the art of architectural form with the practicalities of human need; resonate with local culture and surroundings; and welcome users of vital transportation, healthcare and public services.

2014 Steven W. Clem

Atlanta GA

Steven Clem has the remarkable ability to help people imagine more, deliver bold ideas, then design them to the smallest detail. His vision, creativity and leadership have produced beautifully crafted environments that create exceptional experiences.

2014 Ted H. Davis

Minneapolis MN

Fusing architecture with interiors and artistry with practicality, Ted Davis has designed complex educational and corporate environments that elevate and transform the organizations they serve.

2014 Michael Duncan

San Francisco CA

Michael Duncan's architecture displays clear geometries, carefully proportioned volumes, powerful use of light, and high-performance building skins; his designs, with their skillful focus on placemaking, create uplifting spaces that responsibly reflect and engage their communities.

2014 Leslie K. Elkins

Houston TX

Leslie Elkins' work expresses quiet simplicity achieved by a thoughtful and honest approach to site, program, and materials. She has remained steadfast to an architecture that enchants, enriches, and is deeply perceptive of her community.

2014 Douglas Farr

Chicago IL

Doug Farr is a pioneer in sustainable placemaking, an internationally-published author, a dynamic speaker, and a thought leader who defined the field of sustainable urbanism; an international design movement integrating urbanism, infrastructure, architecture, and behavior.

2014 Richard Benton Friedson

Boston MA

Richard Friedson has integrated architecture and landscape in an artistic orchestration of form, material and light to create extraordinary award-winning buildings across the country.

2014 Andrew C Herdeg

San Antonio TX

Andrew Herdeg's designs foster meaningful and lasting relationships between a building's users and the natural environment and represent a confluence of the art of building, the science of sustainability and love for the natural landscape.

2014 Alan R. Joslin

Cambridge MA

The crafted architecture of Alan Joslin uniquely and memorably connects community, the arts, and their environments. Its influence is felt through direct experience of nationally recognized cultural venues, their publication, and its dissemination through teaching.

2014 Pablo Laguarda

Dallas TX

In the vanguard of global practice, Pablo Laguarda employs innovative design as a universal language to create rich structures centered on the human experience to transform communities around the world.

2014 Gary Lapera

Princeton NJ

Gary Lapera's interest in good design embraces not only aesthetics but also how buildings and their components improve the lives of those who use them and the livelihood of those who develop and build them.

2014 David Maglaty

San Francisco CA

David Maglaty designs humanistic architecture with interior spaces washed in daylight, connected to place via views to the landscape, and having built form created through the thoughtful integration of program, structure, and site.

2014 David Neumann

Washington DC

Through the skillful and inventive use of the language of traditional architecture David Neumann creates acclaimed buildings that are respectful of place, well-tailored to modern life and expressly connected to memory and meaning.

2014 Chung Q.B. Nguyen

Houston TX

Chung Nguyen tests the limits of conventional construction methods and explores responsible alternatives to traditional development practices by combining design sensibility with a keen understanding of construction.

2014 Rafael Pelli

New York NY

Rafael Pelli is an innovator and pioneer in the field of sustainable design. His integrated design approach has led to important precedents in high-rise residential, public university and commercial buildings.

2014 Martha A. Pilgreen

Boston MA

Martha Pilgreen's three-decade career has been dedicated to the research and design of places for education, advancing the way we think about academic campuses and the interactions between learning communities and their physical environments.

2014 Ronald Todd Ray

Washington DC

Todd Ray's designs engage a minimal palette of form, light, and texture, to create spaces that express relationships, evoke spirit, and foster meaning filled ways of experiencing the built environments.

2014 Miguel A. Rivera Agosto

Austin TX

Miguel Rivera is internationally recognized for design excellence and a rigorous approach that brings out the beauty in simple, common materials, blurs art and architecture, and produces poetic and inspirational projects that enrich their landscapes.

2014 John Ronan

Chicago IL

John Ronan's abstract yet sensuous work is recognized for its conceptual innovation, investigation of materiality and attention to detail, explored through a rigorous process that searches to find the intuitively correct response for each situation.

2014 Reese Rowland

Little Rock AR

Reese Rowland lifts expectations through architecture of innovation, clarity, and social responsibility. Detail and connection become teaching moments, displaying proudly how the craft of architecture links time and place, space and spirit, man and environment.

2014 Jennifer Sage

New York NY

Jennifer Sage elevates design by expanding civic architecture to include small structures with neighborhood impact that engage form, materials and graphics using limited resources to respond to environmental challenges with inspired new buildings.

2014 Earl Santee

Kansas City MO

Earl Santee has transformed American sport, having designed more than 60 stadiums and ballparks that capture the spirit of the cities they call home.

2014 C. Roxanne Sherbeck

Pittsburgh PA

Roxanne Sherbeck combines a fresh, humanist perspective, great originality, and a love of craft in designing comfortable, dynamic and character-rich places that contain lives and frame memories.

2014 Bryan Shiles

San Francisco CA

Through a quarter-century dialogue between design and teaching, Bryan Shiles has nurtured a resonant, contemporary architecture of place. His buildings demonstrate how architecture can amplify the qualities of the American landscape to enrich culture.

2014 Joey Naruhiko Shimoda

Los Angeles CA

Joey Shimoda creates architectural interiors and building revitalizations that become catalysts for client culture. He masterfully blends the ingredients of client, public and place into a dynamic experience that is inclusive, resourceful and influential.

2014 Henry Smith-Miller

New York NY

Henry Smith-Miller built a practice celebrated for its innovative modern design, renowned at once for its vanguard use of new materials and technologies, yet also for its traditional attention to craft and detail.

2014 Josiah Stevenson

Boston MA

Mr. Stevenson designs, researches and teaches architecture of the public realm. He embraces sustainability and the dialogue of our modern civic buildings and their place in our architecture history.

2014 Philip A. Weddle

Phoenix AZ

Philip Weddle is focused on realizing designs that interact with the different cultural, economic, and environmental influences that are found at the intersection of a project's location, its programmatic purpose and the larger cultural context.

2014 Mark T. Wellen

Midland TX

Mark Wellen has forged poetic architecture shaped by the ruggedness of West Texas and defined by economy of expression, materiality, craft and light.

2014 Annette Wiley

Newport Beach CA

Annette Wiley's experiential architecture is based on a comprehensive, holistic approach to space, material, and function that expresses a client's aspirations and identity with an uncommon inventiveness that is both elegant and exhilarating.

2014 Bruce A Wood

Boston MA

Through the integration of architecture and landscape architecture Bruce has created a body of work which exemplifies an inclusive and holistic approach to the making of place wihin the context of the larger landscape.

2013 Arthur W. Andersson

Austin TX

Arthur Andersson's work imbues the every day with poetry. Through designs that transform users and transcend typology, he addresses pragmatic needs alongside our psychological yearning for shelter and contemplation, centering and escape, joy and comfort.

2013 David Barrett

Boulder CO

Rooted in deep listening to both people and our ecology, David Barrett's practice has imprinted the wonder of nature in many minds through the experience of his diverse body of work.

2013 Sarah Semple Brown

Denver CO

Sarah Semple Brown crafts influential, exceptional architecture over a broad range of scales and diverse project types by synthesizing the natural environment and surrounding context with a discerning artist's eye for space, beauty, and composition.

2013 Will Bruder

Phoenix AZ

Will Bruder's internationally recognized work is functional in its acknowledgement of site and user need; craftsman like in its artfulness of making; and sculpturally poetic in its unique blending of space, materials and light.

2013 Robert M. Cain

Atlanta GA

Robert Cain's significant body of work originates from an intense interest in exploring and synthesizing the seams between his commitment to sustainability, his love of his region's vernacular architecture and the clarity of modern design.

2013 Dick Clark

Austin TX

Dick Clark, amiable instigator and persistent catalyst for progress, designs buildings that are at once beautiful, functional and transformational. Always infused with consciousness, his work magnifies architecture's intrinsic capacity to improve, enhance and enrich lives.

2013 Stephen Dynia

Jackson WY

Stephen Dynia's work transcends regional traditions of 'mountain vernacular', proposing instead a hybrid of creative cultural life and rural living. Inventive, modern designs connect interior space with landscape, and his dynamic public spaces connect buildings.

2013 Gordon Gill

Chicago IL

Gordon Gill's pioneering design approach produces some of the world's most innovative and sustainable buildings. His design philosophy, Form Follows Performance, explores the interrelationships between form, engineering, planning and user experience, redefining today's architectural process.

2013 Brian Healy

Somerville MA

Brian Healy's work is known nationally for its ability to create intelligent and engaging places - with a keen eye to site intervention and material selection - that enrich the experience of everyday life.

2013 Mark A. Hutker

Falmouth MA

Creator and advocate of a new regional vernacular, Mark Hutker designs houses expressing multigenerational narratives, imbued with meaning, life equity, and honest connection to place. He inspires creativity and community stewardship among peers and public.

2013 Marlene Imirzian

Phoenix AZ

Marlene Imirzian creates finely considered and inventive buildings that contribute to the regeneration of place. Her designs engage the public, students, and the profession with work that re-establishes the connection between architectural beauty, excitement and purpose.

2013 Mic Johnson

Minneapolis MN

Through his focus on placemaking and belief that buildings have responsibility to the broader community, Mic Johnson's work addresses complex programs and diverse environments while supporting meaningful and engaging experiences that energize the public realm.

2013 Ray Johnston

Seattle WA

In a practice dedicated to architecture defined by site, collaboration and poetry, Ray Johnston's work celebrates and encourages creativity and creates a sense of well being and community for those who experience his buildings.

2013 Murray Legge

Austin TX

Interweaving diverse forms and ideas, Murray Legge's work reaches across architectural disciplines with poetic resonance. His thoughtful integration of technical and formal innovation produces architecture that is both provocative and deeply immersive.

2013 Robert Maschke

Cleveland OH

Robert Maschke creates an Architecture of complex spatial effects with modest means. His nationally recognized work exposes contemporary Architecture to a broad and diverse public, enriching the lives of many.

2013 Vojo Naracic

Chicago IL

Vojo Narancic's buildings demonstrate his skill at creating modernist design work that is embraced by diverse communities, often with limited resources and more conservative views.

2013 Jim Poteet

San Antonio TX

Jim Poteet's designs explore the relationship between art and architecture. His work reveals the potential of existing contexts, deftly articulates the power of small spaces, and transcends limitations to realize elegant and imaginative solutions.

2013 Walter Schacht

Seattle WA

Walter Schacht is recognized for creating strong, modern buildings that transform educational, cultural and civic institutions, and for promoting public policies that advance the community.

2013 Peter Schubert

New York NY

Rooted in the legacy of modernism, Peter Schubert reinvents traditional building typologies. By fusing a passion for urbanism with iconic architecture that integrates local culture, history, and context, he creates purposeful buildings and civic places.

2013 Mario J. Torroella

Cambridge MA

Imparting lessons of Cuban heritage and Modernism, Mario Torroella demonstrates to colleagues and communities the transformative power of architecture and art to triumph over adversities through clarity and scale, light and color, whimsy and surprise.

2013 Claire Deborah Weisz

New York NY

Claire Weisz has elevated design in the public realm by creating works that are architecturally significant and have enduring social value. She has made apparent the power of design to both regenerate and innovate.

2013 Clive Wilkinson

Culver City CA

In the fields of workplace and education, Clive Wilkinson has acquired international recognition for an architecture that leverages urban design thinking. His award winning projects redefine places of work and learning as dynamic, complex organisms.

2013 Michael O. Winters

Denver CO

Michael O. Winters has touched the lives of millions of people with his commitment to innovative and sustainable design. His vision and ability to resolve complex design challenges have helped Fentress Architects achieve international recognition.

2013 Jennifer Yoos

Minneapolis MN

Jennifer Yoos creates beautiful and responsive buildings that thoughtfully integrate environmental design with social space. Her work is grounded in research into both sustainability and human factors and designed with invention, rigor and material craft.

2012 Jon Anderson

Albuquerque NM

Jon Anderson has dedicated his career to designing highly-crafted, site-responsive architecture that balances the phenomena of place with progressive experiment. His masterful blending of traditional with contemporary has brought a regional awareness of good design.

2012 Richard Cook

New York NY

Richard Cook is a passionate, internationally influential pioneer in the evolving field of sustainable design. Driven by concepts of biophilia, his built work engages the senses and expresses beautiful, modernist responses to context and place.

2012 Kevin Daly

Santa Monica CA

Kevin Daly's architecture is based on the belief that architecture has the power to transform the everyday built environment. His work interweaves innovation in technology and fabrication, economy and livability, materiality and form.

2012 John A. Enright

Los Angeles CA

John Enright's work has consistently demonstrated the power of critical design thinking, creating dynamic award winning projects at multiple scales. As an educational leader, he has developed significant bridges between the academy and the profession.

2012 Elizabeth P. Gray

New Haven CT

Through architecture that combines conception with detail, Elizabeth Gray creates buildings that clarify, transform, and celebrate the complex relationship between a building program and its site.

2012 Gregory S. Ibañez

Fort Worth TX

Through his exemplary body of work Gregory Ibañez consistently demonstrates that architecture rooted in regional traditions can be modern and enduring while invigorating the public realm.

2012 Daniel J. Kaplan

New York NY

Dan applies his passion for urbanism and sustainability equally to buildings and cities; he creates engaging new models for imaginative, livable, and lasting environments that animate the civic realm.

2012 Jonathan J. Marvel

New York NY

Jonathan Marvel has imbued public architecture with depth and meaning, forging constraints of sustainability, site, and security into bold forms and dynamic spaces, expanding the language and capacity of architecture in the public realm.

2012 Roney J. Mateu

Palmetto Bay FL

Roney Mateu's architecture is internationally recognized for an economy of design that is functional, yet expressive; of modest materials, yet experimentally rich; full of generous light, contextual and humane: of an uncompromised timeless modern tradition.

2012 Robert Miller

Seattle WA

Robert Miller is a romantic Modernist, valuing the reaction of nature against artificiality, of simplicity against pompous display, and careful balance of sentiment and reason. He reintroduces these humane qualities through his architecture and outreach.

2012 David E. Rogers

Venice CA

David Rogers' creative passion, reflected in his compelling architectural designs, is instrumental in revitalizing city centers globally, sustaining their historical and cultural elements and enriching the lives of millions of people.

2012 Matthew Rossetti

Southfield MI

As a pioneer in the design of Sports Anchored Developments, Matt Rossetti is revitalizing urban neighborhoods, creating vibrant entertainment districts and enriching 'place making' throughout the world.

2012 Kevin B. Sullivan

Boston MA

Kevin Sullivan is passionate about design for healthcare and science buildings; often under recognized typologies with important meaning for society. His projects are transformative explorations of program, geometry, transparency, color and form entwined with landscape.

2012 Paul Urbanek

Detroit MI

Paul Urbanek elevates architecture's capacity to rouse the human spirit. With a reverence to nature and an acute sensitivity to detail, his thoughtful compositions entice us to touch and be touched by the Work.

2012 Marion Weiss

New York NY

Marion Weiss pursues an architecture that transcends disciplinary distinctions to capitalize on the powerful reciprocity between architecture, landscape, and urbanism.

2012 Andrew H. Wells

Springfield MO

Andrew is widely recognized for his ingenious responses to everyday constraints in unexpected places, creating inspired architecture that enriches the human spirit. His passion moves others to elevate the profession through design excellence for everyone.

2012 Scott Wolf

Seattle WA

Through his sustainable design, advocacy and outreach efforts, Scott Wolf inspires his colleagues, public works officials and policymakers to become thoughtful, active stewards of our planet's most basic and vital natural resource: WATER.

2011 F. Macnaughton Ball, Jr.

New Orleans LA

Distinguished across many types and scales, Mac Ball's work is rooted in a sensitivity to context, thoughtful site and climate strategies and an elegant simplicity of expression with regard to materials and detailing.

2011 Robert C. Broward

Jacksonville FL

Robert Browards's 54 years of prolific practice have produced a legacy of outstanding architecture. He has inspired the careers of two generations of highly respected architects as their mentor and passionate teacher.

2011 David Coleman

Seattle WA

David Coleman's work is characterized by an ability to take seemingly ordinary sites and modest programs and transform them into extraordinary spaces that are timeless and evocative of place.

2011 Gary Furman

Austin TX

Gary Furman's architecture celebrates the act of habitation, integrating the aspirations of his clients and the subtleties of place with a rich sensitivity toward the craft of making buildings.

2011 Frank W. Grauman

Philadelphia PA

Frank Grauman approaches design as an integrative yet intuitive process. He realizes the full potential of each project through social responsibility, technical prowess, resource conservation and sensitivity to the spirit of the client.

2011 Julie Hacker

Evanston IL

Julie Hacker's influential residential work has re-imagined the language of traditional architecture by juxtaposing 20th century spatial ideas with rigorously used traditional forms and details.

2011 Scott A. Lindenau

Aspen CO

Scott Lindenau's nationally recognized work extends beyond the traditions of 'mountain vernacular' resulting in a modernist vocabulary that transcends local boundaries. His projects enrich our experience of place and elevate public awareness of architecture.

2011 Richard L. Maimon

Philadelphia PA

Richard Maimon advances the discipline of architecture by integrating research into design and extending collaboration across disciplines. This process has yielded artful, culturally resonant, environmentally responsive buildings that serve as models for contemporary architectural practice.

2011 Audrey Matlock

New York NY

Grounded in Modernism's pursuit of innovation, Audrey Matlock's work explores the creative potential of architectural systems - new combinations of material, structural, and spatial relationships that eschew predictability and embrace inspirational and poetic experience.

2011 Keith G. Moskow

Boston MA

Keith Moskow creates finely detailed buildings attuned to their environment, envisions small scale urban interventions for better city living and writes books on architectural design to educate the profession and public at large.

2011 Morris Jerome Neal

Austin TX

MJ Neal's renowned work weaves materials, colors, and textures with earthand sky into architecture that engages nature and the senses. His carefullyprogrammed and delicately detailed creations rise to the level of poetry.

2011 Robert C Peterson

Palo Alto CA

Working at the Vitruvian convergence of function, strength, and beauty Bob Peterson designs buildings that reflect on and react to site, enhance our movement through space, and fulfill our need for delight and surprise.

2011 Thomas Phifer

New York NY

Thomas Phifer is internationally recognized for his technologically innovative modernist architecture, grounded in the thoughtful manipulation of natural light and air, and the masterful interweaving of built forms with the surrounding landscape.

2011 Rebecca Boswell Swanston

Baltimore MD

Linking civic activism with bold intervention in Baltimore's historic core and green periphery, Swanston's pioneering projects explore interactions of contemporary architecture and community renewal to provide nationally recognized models for revitalizing forgotten urban neighborhoods.

2011 Patrick Tighe

Santa Monica CA

Patrick Tighe's innovative use of geometry, technology and materials combine to create a meaningful architecture. Through recognition, visibility and teaching, Tighe is making a profound impact on the profession of Architecture.

2011 Ross B. Wimer

Chicago IL

Through explorations in new relationships between architecture and its surroundings, Ross Wimer's innovative designs stem from his understanding of a building's role within the context of both the natural and built environment.

2011 Arthur Witthoefft

Sarasota FL

Arthur Witthoefft advocates a modernist architectural philosophy, where simplicity of materials and efficiency of design are in constant dialogue with a building's surroundings, this has been implemented for sixty years in his diverse portfolio.

2010 Trevor David Abramson

Culver City CA

The nominee's architecture heightens the human experience through the compelling use of form, light and material. His architecture endures by providing serenity, harmony and spiritual fulfillment that transcend time.

2010 Bruce D. Beinfield

Norwalk CT

Bruce Beinfield designs timeless buildings distilled from urban and rural vernacular, combining classical proportions with modern abstraction. His projects, through quality and concentration, have begun a process of redemption in the context where he works.

2010 Hagy Belzberg

Santa Monica CA

Hagy Belzberg is internationally recognized for his innovative employment of digital fabrication which synthesizes materials, texture and light to compellingly maximize the impact of architecture which is recognized as uniquely advancing the profession.

2010 Nelson Chen

Hong Kong

Nelson Chen designs architectural works with conceptual clarity, meticulous detailing and unfailing commitment to design excellence, which demonstrate the enduring value of architecture with integrity amidst frenetic development and construction in Hong Kong and China.

2010 Christopher W. Coe

Culver City CA

With clarity, purpose and skillful attention to context, Christopher Coe creates innovative designs at all scales; from the city to dwellings. He imparts to both his students and the public that architecture affects positive change.

2010 Ralph Cunningham

Washington DC

Ralph Cunningham weaves modern architecture into historic fabric that honors the old and illuminates the new with elegant simplicity. His work reflects the unique qualities of place, with distinctive attention to proportion, scale, and craftsmanship.

2010 Edmund M. Einy

Pasadena CA

Carefully considering those served by his architecture, Edmund Einy instills an appreciation for the transformative power of place in the built environment and fostering societal advancement by sharing ideas through teaching and serving the profession.

2010 Anne N. Fougeron

San Francisco CA

Bringing excellence to environments for people of every income level, Anne Fougeron advances the modern design vocabulary, engages craftsmen and artists in the exploration of new materials and technologies, and lifts public understanding of architecture.

2010 Sarah R. Graham

Los Angeles CA

Working across cultures, Sarah Graham's architecture is recognized internationally for its conceptual clarity, articulate process, and tectonic resolution. Her design and her teaching promote poetics through instrumental logic, both American and Swiss.

2010 John C. Guenther

Wildwood MO

Guenther's designs spring from the genius loci - the spirit of place - reflecting cultural, phenomenal, climatic and tectonic uniqueness of the natural and built contexts. His work is grounded in social and environmental responsibility.

2010 David J Hacin

Boston MA

David Hacin reinterprets the character of 'site' to create innovative buildings and spaces that enrich people's lives and transform their surroundings. With a commitment to community and preservation, Hacin's work sensitively weds unexpected design solutions with a distinct sense of place.

2010 Mark Horton

San Francisco CA

Through his rigorous practice and respected gallery, Mark Horton promotes an architecture that enhances the lives of individuals and communities. His achievements elevate the small practice into a positive force in the public realm.

2010 Susan H. Jones

Seattle WA

Susan Jones' design work creates delight and wonder in leftover, dirty, forgotten places and spaces. For her students and with her buildings, she instills beauty and power through rendering space concrete through detail and materials.

2010 Philip S. Kennedy-Grant

Bernardsville NJ

Philip S. Kennedy-Grant's work springs from his artistic re-interpretation of traditional architecture. Expressing the vitality of the American vernacular, he creates architecture of uncommon grace, subtlety, and refinement.

2010 Alice Kimm

Los Angeles CA

Alice Kimm's sculptural and materially innovative environments catalyze creative interaction. Her distinct formal landscapes are the result of an inquisitive design process that mines both the possibilities and complexities of our modern and technological era.

2010 Jerome King

San Jose CA

Jerry King designs urban affordable housing that transcends its humane purpose to embody the unique spirit of its place. His buildings serve as innovative, sustainable models that spur and guide revitalization.

2010 Joan Krevlin

New York NY

Joan Krevlin's design process seeks to find the meaning unique to each project. Her collaborative, content-driven approach results in signature projects where architecture, narrative, and educational experience intertwine.

2010 Michael E. LeBoeuf

Orlando FL

Michael LeBoeuf's work is of our time and place. He utilizes important ideas of community, site and program to create space that engages the mind in unexpected ways and elevates the human experience.

2010 William Lim

Hong Kong

Bringing wide public awareness to the importance of architectural design through a series of public installations, blending sustainable architecture, art, technology, fun and dramatic interaction. Served the architectural education through scholarship, counseling and training programs.

2010 Sandro Marpillero

New York NY

As urban designer and architect, Sandro transforms existing sites and buildings to create spaces that support and enrich social life and environmental health from the scale of the detail to that of its extended surroundings.

2010 Dean A. Nota

Hermosa Beach CA

Dean Nota has achieved international standing as a designer of beautiful and meticulous buildings that inventively translate modernist ideals into a regional, light and space oriented architecture for infill sites in Los Angeles' edge communities.

2010 Peter Pfau

San Francisco CA

Peter Pfau has advanced the modernist tradition of expressed structure, crafting enduring buildings that are sculptural, light-filled, and acutely sensitive to the particular characteristics of place, while modeling new ways to integrate sustainability into architecture.

2010 Jeffery S. Poss

Champaign IL

Professor Poss creates places of commemoration, introspection, and meaning that evoke the human spirit--public places that bring people together, or conversely, private spaces that allow people to find refuge in quiet contemplation.

2010 Elizabeth Ranieri

San Francisco CA

Elizabeth Ranieri's buildings embody poignant lessons of structure and materiality, place and use. Sustainably conceived and elegantly constructed, their inventiveness—discovered in an unfolding conversation between architecture and art—deepens our experience of familiar settings.

2010 James W. Shields

Milwaukee WI

James W. Shields, AIA has advanced the design of spaces for community gathering with simple, elegant form making, a focus on a shared public realm, and attention to materiality and detailing.

2010 Joan M. Soranno

Minneapolis MN

Joan Soranno is motivated by the expressive quality of architecture. Her buildings resonate with the unique inspirations of their site and program, embodying a spirit of energy that rises intrinsically from their time and place.

2010 Yvonne Szeto

New York NY

Yvonne Szeto's architecture is one of refined elegance and expressive form in the modernist tradition, and she has significantly advanced the goals of contemporary architecture through her concern for contextualism, the individual experience, and sustainability.

2010 John Thodos

Carmel CA

First and foremost a problem solver, John Thodos happily confronts site constraints, extreme grades, tight budgets and stifling building ordinances, continually probing and pushing to reveal the delightful and inspired design solution.

2010 J. David Waggonner III

New Orleans LA

David Waggonner's work is distinguished across types and scales, temporally and spatially. From preservation to modern design to urban design, past to present to future, locally and internationally, innovation and quality flow from elemental principles.

2010 Richard Williams

Washington DC

Richard Williams creates acclaimed modern buildings that draw inspiration from the landscape, vernacular traditions and root principles of design – exalting the experience of place and the act of building simply and well.

2010 Barry Alan Yoakum

Memphis TN

A masterful design leader, Barry Alan Yoakum, AIA facilitates a collaborative design approach to deliver modern solutions that integrate sustainable strategies to encourage architectural dialogue.

2009 Marlon Blackwell

Fayetteville AR

Marlon Blackwell's nationally renowned work is born out of the simple act of 'building well' in ways imbued with local specificity and invention that enrich the experience of the everyday environment around us.

2009 William A. Browne, Jr.

Indianapolis IN

Bill has pioneered efforts to elevate and advance the architectural profession in "America's Heartland." Creatively molding innovation, refinement in design, marketing and practice management, he has built an award-winning, multi-disciplinary firm within this conservative context.

2009 James H. Collins, Jr.

Boston MA

James H. Collins, Jr. advocates for responsible, humane and engaged planning and design. He is committed to a practice model that engages users to advance new ways to support scientific teaching and research.

2009 Fernando J. Domenech Jr.

Boston MA

Over the past twenty-five years, Fernando Domenech has helped rebuild and enhance residential neighborhoods in the inner cities of America through his design of notable affordable housing projects.

2009 Kenneth H. Drucker

New York NY

Kenneth Drucker's innovative architectural designs have provided outstanding solutions to issues of the institution, the city and environment and have significantly advanced the goals of sustainable design and design excellence.

2009 Jeanne Gang

Chicago IL

Jeanne Gang's explorative design process mines each project's distinctive poetic potential that arises from everyday constraints. Her attentiveness to the way architecture is made and inhabited produces an engaging and provocative experience.

2009 Michael Francis Gebhart

Cambridge MA

Recognized by peers as one of the most gifted designers currently practicing architecture, Michael Gebhart has produced a distinguished, influential body of international work. As a mentor, collaborator, and visualizer, he is the paradigm designer-architect.

2009 Joseph A. Gonzalez

Chicago IL

Joe Gonzalez has created buildings that engage and enrich communities, transcending predictable gestures towards physical context by establishing a sense of connectivity in each instance that is at once functional, cultural and even spiritual.

2009 Christopher K. Grabé

New York NY

Exploring transparency, structural innovation, clarity of organization, expression of program and building elements and an honest use of materials, Chris Grabé's designs promote a social and inspirational interaction between their users and with their environments.

2009 John P. Grady

New York NY

John Grady has played a seminal role in defining exhibition design. His design approach, emphasizing the integration of architectural structure with interpretive content, has influenced a field that was largely unexplored when his career began.

2009 Eric Haesloop

San Francisco CA

Eric Haesloop demonstrates the contemporary relevance of place-specific design, evolving local traditions to create timeless buildings that embrace and reveal the landscape, showcase the craft of building, and model sustainability.

2009 Frank M. Lupo

New York NY

Frank Lupo is an award winning and internationally recognized architect whose elegant designs are testament to his commitment, leadership and promotion of sustainable principles as potent design tools. His dedication to mentoring is equally regarded.

2009 David P. Manfredi

Boston MA

David Manfredi leads a national design effort using buildings of everyday life to create lively urban places. His work has led to rebirth of neighborhoods, livable communities, merging campus and neighborhood, and rehabilitating historic places.

2009 Lorcan O'Herlihy

Culver City CA

Through rigorous research, innovative process and heightened social awareness, Lorcan O'Herlihy uses inventive architectural design and distinctive material applications to enlighten the built environment, seek the unexpected and inspire change.

2009 Annabelle M. Selldorf

New York NY

Annabelle Selldorf's architecture is rooted in utilitarian purpose and a profound understanding of specific conditions. Her unique ability to focus opposing aspects into one singular vision distinguishes her work and yields results that appear inevitable.

2009 Terry D. Steelman

Philadelphia PA

Terry Steelman integrates critical conceptual thinking with an experiential sense of place to create buildings that are both rational and emotive. The discipline, elegance, and craft of his work elevates the purpose of architecture.

2009 J. Frano Violich

Boston MA

Frano Violich has redefined professional practice in architecture through innovative design research which engages material fabrication, digital technology and natural resources to transform standard building practices and expand the public life of buildings and cities.

2009 Todd Walker

Memphis TN

Todd Walker uses familiar themes in his architecture - respect for context, response to client, and attention to craft - in new and inspired ways. Rooted in his region, his work has importance far beyond.

2009 Kendall P. Wilson

Washington DC

Ken Wilson is the nation's leading architect in the design of sustainable interior architecture. His national design work has established the paradigm for interior architecture combining environmental responsibility and human well-being with beauty and function.

2023 Christian Sottile (best example)

Savannah GA

A global-award winning architect, former university dean and passionate champion of Savannah's National Landmark Historic District, Christian Sottile unites preservation, urbanism, architecture and art to shape policy and shift paradigms for historic environments.

2021 Steven Cecil

Dedham MA

Steven Cecil is a career-long choreographer of cityscapes. His urban design embraces complexities of place and cultures as he advances compelling visions, motivating the many actors whose coordinated roles restitch the urban fabric.

2021 John Ellis

Corte Madera CA

John G. Ellis is an architect, urban designer and university lecturer whose career has made a significant contribution to the profession through award-winning projects with a focus on urban repair and place-making.

2021 Jeffrey Huber

Wilton Manors FL

An agent for change, Huber utilizes supply-side design thinking to develop place-building solutions that address core challenges in our built environment to reshape architectural design and planning policy towards a more resilient and equitable future.

2021 Paul Milana (best example)

New York NY

Leveraging long-term relationships, Paul Milana advances the role of urban design across scales through rigorous understanding of place, history, and human potential by designing sustainable, model communities, buildings, and landscapes of enduring value.

2020 Roger Sherman (best example)

Los Angeles CA

Roger Sherman's influential thinking--projects, writing and teaching--has advanced the profession's understanding of contemporary city form and city life. His inventive but rigorous work has resulted in new paradigms in urban resilience, housing and public space.

2020 Mario Violich

Venice CA

Mario Violich shapes campus plans that bridge higher education and urban design. Landscape, building and city are woven into dynamic, open urban compositions that engage and inspire people, revitalizing the public realm for diverse communities.

2019 Kai-Uwe L. Bergmann (best example)

Brooklyn NY

From Apprentice to Architect, Kai-Uwe's path through the profession seeks to build bridges between concept and craft and the cultures and cities these ideas take root within.

2018 Brian Shea (best example)

Portland OR

Brian Shea has advanced the art and practice of urban design. His approach combines a rigorous method of physical analysis with creative design solutions to guide the responsible growth of American cities, communities, and campuses.

2017 Daniel R. Kenney (best example)

San Francisco CA

Through his ideas, practice, and influential book, Dan Kenney has transformed the role of planning and urban design, both nationally and internationally, as an engine for creating great university campuses and livable, sustainable cities.

2017 Charles A. Kubat

Las Vegas NV

Charles Kubat unites expertise in architecture, urban planning and development to transform urban and suburban sites into valued communities. His trend-setting, people-focused master plans create enduring places and facilitate future success for other design professionals.

2017 Timothy D. Love

Boston MA

Timothy Love's innovative approach to urban design, communicated through his projects, teaching, and writing, has resulted in impactful contributions to the public realm and the social life of city neighborhoods.

2016 R. Hunter Gee (best example)

Nashville TN

Hunter Gee has embraced urban design's mandate to build communities in service of their citizens and environments. His impassioned leadership in planning, and architecture has transformed neighborhoods, downtowns, and the policies that shape them.

2015 Soren Dahl Simonsen

Salt Lake City UT

Soren Simonsen's exemplary career reflects a lifelong commitment to the sustainable development of cities, buildings and public places. He harnesses the power of urban design through policy, practice, public service and education to improve communities.

2014 Douglas Johnston

Boston MA

Douglas Johnston is committed to constantly exploring the intersections between urban design, planning and architecture to create designs that are both deeply pragmatic, timeless and profoundly beautiful.

2014 Paul B. Ostergaard

Pittsburgh PA

Paul Ostergaard has dedicated his career to the revitalization of cities. His work has helped elevate the role of urban design in the profession of architecture and in the halls of government.

2014 Neal I. Payton

Los Angeles CA

Neal Payton's work transforms cities and towns around across the world--through visionary advocacy for sustainable urbanism, master planning, scholarship, and teaching-- into diverse and walkable communities of greater economic vitality and social justice.

2014 Mark Roddy

Phoenix AZ

With a commitment to sustainable design and an urban approach, Mark Roddy's work is designed with a diverse community in mind creating inviting well-scaled spaces that strengthen the evolving western urban context.

2013 Lesley Bain (best example)

Seattle WA

Lesley has transformed Seattle's public realm through design projects, legislative tools and community advocacy. She brings those lessons learned to a national audience, focusing on the enormous untapped potential of the STREET as public space.

2013 Jana Marie McCann

Austin TX

Jana McCann's highly interrelated body of work brings communities and civic leaders together to create visionary plans that balance multiple objectives, recognize the public's values and aspirations, and artfully respond to economic realities.

2012 Rainy Hamilton Ir

Detroit MI

Through the integration of architecture and landscape architecture, Rainy Hamilton's mission of Community Building through urban design has positively enhanced the quality of life for hundreds of thousands of Detroit residents and millions of visitors.

2012 Ellen Lou

San Francisco CA

Through her passionate leadership and unique global perspective, Ellen Lou has advanced ground-breaking urban design to foster thriving, sustainable cities that support economic vitality, environmental responsibility and cultural preservation, domestically and around the Pacific Rim.

2011 John R. Shields Boston MA

Through award-winning and precedent-setting urban design, John has helped to expand historic preservation's mission to one that offers a richer human experience, combining historic settings, their stories and the unrealized potential of the public realm.

2010 Burton Miller San Francisco CA

Burton Miller has created vibrant urban districts by giving specific form and meaning to the public realm through the artful integration of urban design and architecture. His work creates activated, connected, livable and sustainable communities.

2010 Bernard Zyscovich Miami FL

Bernard Zyscovich's work has integrated architecture and urban design favoring character and authenticity as the foundation for place making with a methodology called Real Urbanism(SM) that celebrates the diversity of cities, neighborhoods and their buildings.

2009 Antonio Fiol-Silva Philadelphia PA

Redeveloping complex urban environments by leveraging public infrastructure to cultivate public/private mixed-use development, Antonio Fiol-Silva advances the principles of urban design to reposition cities as economically, socially and environmentally healthy places to live.

2009 Nando Micale Philadelphia PA

Nando Micale's nationally-recognized designs have focused on the critical issues of housing affordability and sustainable development through plans for mixed-income neighborhoods, transit-oriented development, waterfronts, and urban districts.

2022 Amy Gilbertson (best example)

St. Louis MO

With a passion for revitalization, Amy Gilbertson leverages preservation expertise to create authentic yet modern design interventions proving long-term viability of historic structures while elevating diversity in our profession through mentorship, education, and advocacy.

2021 Deborah Cooper

Oakland CA

Deborah Cooper's designs for historic properties create layered, contemporary places of great vitality for users, visitors, and communities. She advances the profession through creative adaptation, care for context, cuttingedge sustainable and technological solutions, and education.

2021 Janet Matheson

Fairbanks AK

Janet Matheson, while leading Alaskan historic resource surveys, realized that much of Alaska's architectural history was being lost. She moved to restore important landmark buildings, and help preserve Alaska's architectural legacy for future generations.

2021 David Parker (best example)

Southport CT

David Parker's knowledge of architectural and decorative arts history informs his preservation of landmarks, restoration of interiors and stewardship of historic properties. Uniting period significance with contemporary relevance, he innovatively transforms the built environment.

2021 Martha Werenfels

Providence RI

By rigorously restoring historic structures and updating them to suit current needs, Martha Werenfels reinforces the idea that the architecture of today can only benefit from the careful preservation of buildings from our past.

2020 Scott Henson (best example)

New York NY

Scott Henson advances the field of preservation, elevating traditional building practices to globally conscious, sustainable design. Henson's crafted approach embodies building stewardship and advocates adaptive reuse to the profession.

2019 Norman R. Alston

Dallas TX

Norman Alston employs design, education and advocacy to save historic buildings. He integrates them into the urban fabric, and creates a wider culture of preservation that embraces the unique character of a community's architectural legacy.

2019 Dominique M. Hawkins

Philadelphia PA

Dominique Hawkins leads the national historic preservation field. Championing democratic practices to protecting America's treasures, Dominique produces cutting-edge projects across the country heralding shared values and communal vitality while tirelessly serving her hometown of Philadelphia.

2019 Thomas Clayton Jester (best example)

Washington DC

Thomas Jester is a pioneer and nationally recognized leader in the renewal of modern architecture. His design, scholarship, and advocacy extends the legacy of post-war landmarks and expands the art and science of historic preservation.

2019 Dan M. Worth

Lincoln NE

Dan Worth is a renowned leader in historic preservation. He has completed award-winning projects that restore culturally and architecturally significant sites, successfully advocated for preservation policies, and tirelessly shared best practices and innovative technologies.

2018 Joseph M. Antunovich

Chicago IL

Joe Antunovich has demonstrated leadership in and commitment to the preservation of our architectural heritage by advocacy through example, by strategic collaboration the development community, and through sustained service to the not-for-profit preservation community.

2018 Pamela Jerome (best example)

New York NY

Pamela Jerome is an innovative leader in application of theory and doctrine on the preservation of significant structures in the US and worldwide. Her award-winning projects, volunteer work , publications, and training have international impact.

2018 George C. Skarmeas

Philadelphia PA

George Skarmeas is a nationally recognized steward of America's architectural heritage whose contributions have advanced the field of preservation architecture through timeless design, a strong preservation ethos, innovation and research, and support of the profession.

2018 David E. Wark

Portland OR

David Wark, through nationally recognized preservation and design, is a catalyst for reaffirming cultural meaning by renewing opportunities for education, reviving recreation activities, and revitalizing neighborhoods via the rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of historic properties.

2017 T. David Bell

Washington DC

T. David Bell champions historic preservation, sustainable design and public engagement. His work propels community revitalization by pairing traditional construction with advanced technologies, creating a strong sense of time and place for a lasting future.

2017 Matthew S. Chalifoux

Washington DC

Matthew Chalifoux is an ardent champion for the preservation of America's architectural patrimony, actively advancing a fully integrated approach to preservation design, advocacy, and mentoring; leading multi-disciplinary teams to realize creative, sustainable and beautiful projects.

2017 Peter M. Trapolin

New Orleans LA

Peter Trapolin's contributions as advocate, educator, and volunteer in New Orleans' historic districts steered neighborhoods out of dilapidation and helped generate vibrant communities that serve as a model for the historic preservation marketplace nationwide.

2016 Tamara Elizabeth Lapham Burns

Ann Arbor MI

Tamara Burns has proven that the long term viability of historic structures through sensitive and inspiring design is the critical element to conserving their relevancy and thus creating a valued and sustainable world through preservation.

2016 Glenn E Mason

Honolulu HI

Recognized leader in advancing preservation, Glenn Mason integrates expert historic research, planning, and architecture for national and regional landmarks. He preserves and promotes the value of Pacific Rim architectural heritage through documenting histories, and stewardship.

2016 Naomi O. Miroglio (best example)

Bay Area CA

Naomi Miroglio has mastered architectural planning methods, devised intricate restoration techniques, and orchestrated business-savvy strategies to restore previously abandoned historic resources for meaningful use, demonstrating the economic and cultural vitality of historic preservation.

2016 William S. Otwell

Prescott AZ

William Otwell has demonstrated leadership in the integration of historic preservation and sustainable design regionally, nationally and internationally and advanced the profession through public education and understanding of the role and value of the architect.

2016 Gary Wolf

Boston MA

Through his preservation projects and advocacy, Gary Wolf has advanced the profession of architecture, leading toward a future when a wider range of structures is preserved and repurposed for a richer, more sustainable, built environment

2015 John R. Bowie (best example)

Wallingford PA

John Bowie has advanced the field of preservation through his nationally-recognized achievements in recording, restoring and interpreting historic sites and museums, and through outstanding client collaboration on sustainable resource stewardship and best management practices.

2015 Paul Homeyer

Houston TX

Paul Homeyer wields significant influence in changing Houston's attitudes toward historic architecture through his professional practice, tireless pro bono activities, service on policy boards, publications. lectures to the public, and teaching future archiects.

2015 James R. McDonald

Missoula MT

James McDonald has dedicated his career to the preservation of significant historic buildings and sites through research and sensitive design, repurposing them for continued use while respecting the intent of the original architects and builders.

2014 Morris Adjmi

New York NY

Morris Adjmi has led the movement to revitalize old industrial buildings and restore meaning and purpose to historic districts, by creating an architectural vocabulary that encompasses and reveals old and new.

2014 Nanon Adair Anderson

Golden CO

Preserving national icons and vernacular architecture, Nanon Anderson has led recognition of our built heritage throughout the Western region and beyond. Her leadership has drawn allied professionals, students and entire communities to her challenge.

2014 Jeffrey C. Fetzer

San Antonio TX

Jeffrey Fetzer, named "Protector of Historic Fabric" by one client, preserves and restores historic buildings by being true to their past while integrating technology that allows them to remain vital contributors to the built environment.

2014 John D. S. Hatch

Trenton NJ

John Hatch's work in architecture and historic preservation, along with his development projects, have expanded the role of the architect in urban redevelopment and had a major impact on the future of American cities.

2014 Laurie Limbacher

Austin TX

Laurie Limbacher has safeguarded and reinvigorated exemplars of our architectural heritage, expanded the body of historical knowledge, and influenced peers and policymakers to understand the imperative of retaining our connection to the history of place.

Object 1 – Promote: preservation

2013 Nan R. Gutterman

Philadelphia PA

Nan Gutterman's expertise in understanding preservation technology and cultural heritage combined with her commitment to achieve the best for the building and client, has lead to her national recognition in the field of historic preservation

2013 Glenn F. Keyes

Charleston SC

Glenn Keyes, AIA, devotes his career as a preservation architect to the guardianship of America's most treasured structures. He impacts architecture by setting higher standards for preservation through practice, lecturing, mentoring and serving his community.

2013 Kelly Sutherlin McLeod

Long Beach CA

Kelly Sutherlin McLeod elevates Historic Preservation into the mainstream of international architectural discourse, through award-winning projects that advance best practices, and by promoting historic conservation, awareness, and understanding through her professional, personal, and public advocacy.

2013 Richard Metsky

New York NY

In 30 years of practice, Richard Metsky has developed a unique vision of American Urbanism, gracefully balancing historic preservation, contemporary building design and urban design in the revitalization of cities across the United States.

2013 Kurt Schindler

Berkeley CA

Kurt Schindler's historic rehabilitation projects revitalize communities and provide dynamic venues for cultural and educational organizations. They balance functionality with preservation to meet the needs of contemporary users while honoring the legacy of the past.

2012 Leonard Koroski

Chicago IL

Accomplished hands-on architect and passionate preservationist, Leonard Koroski has advanced the profession of architecture in his preservation work and professional activities to bring attention to the interconnection of preservation, design, sustainability and community stewardship.

2012 Robert J. Verrier

Chelsea MA

As an architect specializing in the preservation of historic buildings to create affordable housing, Robert J. Verrier, AIA, has had a national impact preserving the architectural heritage of New England and regions throughout the U.S.

2011 Clinton E. Brown

Buffalo NY

Through pioneering regional and bi-national architectural practice, civic leadership, professional advocacy, and public service, historic preservation architect Clinton Brown exemplifies a rare model leader who fosters and motivates collaborative revitalization of heritage building and communities.

2011 David C. Bucek

Houston TX

A student of architectural history, building technology, and vernacular craft, David Bucek secures the preservation of architectural jewels large and small through resolute advocacy and thoughtful design informed by meticulous research.

2011 Earl Wallace Henderson, Jr

Springfield IL

The candidate has spent a professional lifetime of achieving excellence in 'Midwest Modernist' design, creating the field of historic preservation and using historic preservation as a catalyst for urban development in Lincoln's hometown.

2011 Manuel Hinojosa

McAllen TX

Manuel Hinojosa has advanced the profession of architecture by bridging the gap between historical preservation and modern context in a unique anthropological approach involving research of a society, time and place.

2011 Andrew Trivers

St. Louis MO

Preservation is best achieved when historic structures are not considered remnants of the past but transformed into contributing structures for contemporary society. Andrew Trivers has consistently saved historic buildings through innovation and creativity in preservation.

2011 David Gilmore Wright

Baltimore MD

David Gilmore Wright has dedicated his career to preserving and reinvigorating historic buildings of national significance, through both rigorous research and creative, sensitive design interventions, showing great respect for the original architects' and builders' intentions.

2010 G. Edwin Belk (Eddie)

Durham NC

For thirty-three years Eddie Belk has been an historic preservation pioneer dedicated to recycling our working architectural heritage. Eddie's solutions set preservation standards and guided the evolution of agrarian industrial architecture into a sustaining legacy.

Object 1 - Promote: preservation

2010 Michael F. Doyle

New York NY

In his practice and career, Michael F. Doyle has honed his preservation, restoration, and design skills within the profession and in pro-bono work here and abroad and in service to the AIA.

2010 Thomas Harboe

Chicago IL

Accomplished architect and passionate preservationist, Gunny Harboe has contributed to the profession of architecture and helped to preserve society's cultural heritage through his award wining work, professional leadership, and knowledge sharing; locally, nationally, and internationally.

2010 Hany Hassan

Washington DC

In thirty-five years of practice, Hany Hassan has applied the visionary mind of an architect and the creative hand of an artist to boldly, yet gracefully balance preservation and contemporary design shaping our built environment.

2010 Stephen Johnson

Los Angeles CA

Stephen Johnson's legacy of preserving and transforming American landmarks celebrates community and culture, nurturing pride of place and time for future generations. His creativity and global outreach are acclaimed with prestigious national and international awards.

2009 Barbara A. Campagna

Washington DC

Barbara Campagna, the leading national architect and policymaker for the integration of preservation values into green building practices, demonstrates that artistic, scientific and cultural aspects of preserving historic buildings are crucial to a sustainable future.

2009 Elisabeth Knibbe

Ypsilanti MI

For 30 years Elisabeth Knibbe has pioneered the use of historic preservation as an effective economic development tool to save endangered landmarks, serve low-income communities, and recycle valuable resources and architectural treasures.

2009 Emily Little

Austin TX

Emily Little mediates a lively conversation between past and present architectural design, protecting the ties to heritage, restoring the experience of place, and creating buildings rooted in the time-honored wisdom of prior generations.

2009 Nancy McCoy

Dallas TX

Through her thoughtful, innovative and nationally acclaimed interventions, Nancy McCoy has advanced the practice and standards of preservation architecture and adaptive use in the United States, thereby extending the life of historic buildings.

2009 Anne E. Weber

Princeton NJ

Anne Weber has advanced the practice of historic preservation through her focus on authenticity in the care and reuse of nationally significant buildings and their materials. Her sharing of knowledge has benefited the entire profession.

2023 Craig Copeland

New York NY

Craig Copeland's incorporation of artmaking and material research into impactful and inclusive architectural design has led to award-winning architecture and a body of lectures and workshop collaborations that have further elevated the practice of architecture.

2023 Steven David Flanagan

Orange CA

Steve Flanagan engages diverse stakeholders to program, plan, design, and deliver inclusive, sustainable learning environments for under-served students of the largest community college system in the nation.

2023 Xuan Fu

Chicago IL

As Managing Partner of a global firm, Xuan mentors and advances young designers, leads an interdisciplinary practice, fosters cross- cultural collaboration, and advances design excellence in innovation, wellness, and sustainability through architecture and planning landmarks.

2023 James Garrett

Saint Paul MN

James Garrett Jr. brings architectural excellence to underinvested communities. He shares 20 years of award-winning projects with AIA members and chapters nationwide—offering influential new thinking and tools essential to the profession's future.

2023 Marnique Heath (best example)

Washington DC

Marnique Heath advances the profession through civic stewardship, social awareness, and advocacy for underrepresented communities. Her leadership inspires people, challenges preconceptions, and fosters diversity, expanding the impact of architectural practice for the future.

2023 Jason Holuby

Oklahoma City OK

Jason Holuby has created a new practice model driven by integrating Native American values, heritage and culture, achieving excellence in design, and creating new opportunities for future generations of Native American architects.

2023 Diana Nicklaus (best example)

Northborough MA

Diana Nicklaus disrupted well-established tenets of practice by founding Saam Architecture with radical flexibility for all staff. Her prescient practice model, widely shared, has expanded the thinking of peers and clients through demonstrated design excellence.

2023 Joseph Ruocco

Washington DC

Joseph Ruocco advances institutional architecture globally with pioneering technology, industry-changing management processes, and expertise in alternative delivery models. His practice cultivates emerging architects and empowers small businesses to bring new perspectives to solving complex problems.

2023 Timothy Schroeder

Iowa City IA

Tim Schroeder is a transformational leader. His empathetic, team-oriented approach advances design excellence, employee and client experience, and social purpose, inspiring impactful architecture across a wide range of prosaic, often overlooked typologies.

2023 R. Brandon Sprague

Las Vegas NV

Dedicated to enriching communities, Brandon Sprague empowers organizations to enact social transformation through design excellence. His practice is founded in equality of service and team participation for clients to uplift their missions and society.

2023 Brian Tibbs

Nashville TN

Brian Tibbs elevated the profession by amplifying underrepresented voices of communities and historic places, advocating for equity in architecture education, and being a representative of African American leadership within the profession.

2022 Michelle Mongeon Allen (best example)

Minneapolis MN

Rooted in the rural, northern Midwest, Michelle Mongeon Allen has pioneered a unique architectural practice model that is generating measurable design excellence within small communities while cultivating professional opportunity for current, emerging, and future architects.

2022 Victor Body-Lawson

New York NY

Exemplifying the power of design and collaborative practice in achieving equitable development, Victor Body-Lawson inspires and galvanizes urban communities often lacking access to architectural dialogue, elevating affordable housing, instilling pride, and educating future architects.

2022 Yanitza Brongers-Marrero

Columbus OH

Yanitza Brongers-Marrero, AIA, NOMA, advances the standards of architectural practice by championing equity, diversity, and inclusion through transformative housing, community leadership, and a new urban agenda.

2022 Sarah Broughton (best example)

Aspen CO

Sarah Broughton transforms her firm and communities with a convergent practice while cultivating a thriving culture dedicated to design excellence, all-encompassing team development and leadership, career advancement.

2022 Abigail Clary

Oak Park IL

Abbie masters complex information translating it into clear strategies. The range of her skills facilitates impactful strategies and designs. She assembles multidimensional teams and integrated approaches which demand design be a catalyst for better.

2022 Marcus William Fairbrother

Bethesda MD

Championing a collaborative, research-focused design approach, Marc Fairbrother reshapes the multi-family residential typology. He designs affordable, multi-use districts characterized by walkability, resiliency and a sense of community.

2022 Jeffrey J. Hausman

Detroit MI

Jeff Hausman champions engaging practice approaches, transforming our profession and benefiting society by inspiring and developing diverse populations of future architects and leaders, driving design excellence, enhancing student learning and creating advocates for architecture.

2022 Milton E. Hime

Austin TX

Milton Hime has invested his practice in helping non-profits address unmet community needs and level systemic inequities, demonstrating that architects, design and placemaking are essential resources for resolving persistent real-world challenges with care and dignity.

2022 Nathan Knutson

Northfield MN

Prioritizing design excellence, Nathan Knutson elevates the profession through management leadership of a nationally recognized practice and direct client engagement on award-winning projects – experiences openly shared with peers and future professionals through academic teaching.

2022 Angela Lee

Singapore

Through her globally connected yet locally engaged practice, Angela Lee bridges continents and cultures by advancing the art and science of medical planning, developing pandemic-ready and applied research, and transforming communities to support public health.

2022 Dorian A. Moore

Detroit MI

As an architect, urban designer, teacher, civic leader, and entrepreneur, Dorian Moore uses his practice in the post-industrial cities of Detroit and Windsor, Canada to serve as an international resource for transforming urban environments.

2022 Sam E. Nunes

Oakand CA

Sam Nunes, AIA, successfully developed and implemented a non-hierarchical sociocratic governance structure that empowers and synthesizes diverse interests toward common purpose, a creative management model that enhances impact and ensures resiliency in architectural practice.

2022 Steven Rajninger

San Francisco CA

Steven Rajninger has designed and cultivated a dual body of mission-driven work: Jewish sacred spaces which stir spirituality, ancient narratives and interpretation; and supportive housing celebrating individuals and the collective within an inclusive community.

2022 Ignacio Javier Reyes

West Palm Beach FL

Ignacio J. Reyes, AIA has focused his career on building future leaders by creating his own communications and leadership training program, advocating for advanced learning environments and helping architects nationwide strengthen their advocacy.

2022 Daniel Rothschild

Pittsburgh PA

Daniel Rothschild has advanced architectural practice by creating an equitable Graphic Storytelling method that expands the number of diverse voices included in the design process to create more inclusive and meaningful design outcomes.

2022 Michael T. Roush

Chula Vista CA

Michael Roush creates analytical models and organizational frameworks for higher education capital programs, that elevate the delivery of public institution projects through transformative project management, operationalized processes, and predicted outcomes.

2022 Mark Schendel

Chicago IL

Mark P. Schendel, AIA, has developed a management model based on design excellence and innovation, mentorship and collaboration, and greater equity and stronger communities that has led to an internationally recognized architectural practice.

2022 Joanna Schmickel

Arlington VA

Joanna Schmickel gives voice to the next generation, making student participation central to her school design process. She introduces girls to architecture through her pioneering programs and mentors young women to reshape the profession.

2022 Theresa Sheils

Washington DC

Theresa Sheils is a skilled conductor who orchestrates collaboration across cultures, geographies, and disciplines to create precedent-setting architecture. Theresa elevates the unique potential of diverse professionals, transforming careers and building communities through inclusive, purposeful leadership.

2022 Charles T. Smith

Wilmette IL

Focused on pushing for radical innovation in education, Charles T. Smith has dedicated his career to harnessing strategy, planning and design to reimagine education environments achieving better outcomes for students and communities.

2022 Michael J. Smith

Los Angeles CA

Michael Smith developed, refined, and sustained a unique, independently branded design studio within a large architectural firm, that strategically combined attributes of both to advance the profession and create a new practice typology.

2022 Stephen A. Smith

St. Louis MO

Stephen A. Smith, AIA, has personally expanded the practice of architecture to create opportunities for excellent design, historic preservation and community transformation through a successful architect-led design-develop delivery model.

2022 Randy M. Sovich

Baltimore MD

Randy Sovich, AIA, has built a unique, socially-oriented practice model that creates nurturing places for disenfranchised, vulnerable populations and produces writing and publishing inspiring international connections through discourse exploring the meaning and experience of place.

2022 Jodi van der Wiel

Cleveland OH

Through empathy, inclusive leadership and the power of human-centric design, Jodi van der Wiel, AIA drives cultural change in practice, in the community, and in the profession.

2022 Tania L. Van Herle

Los Angeles CA

An exemplary architect, generous mentor, and change agent, Tania Van Herle creates nurturing, sustainable learning environments while challenging the status quo in both practice and leadership, eliminating barriers and improving our shared quality of life.

2022 Kim Yao

New York NY

Kim Yao, AIA leads an architectural practice grounded in the engagement of diverse voices and the establishment of shared values resulting in design excellence, creating a model for advocacy and mentorship.

2021 Robert Anderson

San Anselmo CA

Rob Anderson's revitalization strategies foster the transformation of existing neighborhoods through collaboration among designers, developers, and civic and community leaders, fostering the adaptability and resilience of prosperous, healthy, and livable communities.

2021 William Ayars

Cleveland OH

William Ayars, AIA, championed his design practice model to profoundly impact healthcare design, broadened his mentoring to ensure future generations of leaders, and launched a foundation for opiate affected families providing hope for social change.

2021 Nancy Blankfard

Minneapolis MN

A skillful and accomplished leader, Nancy Blankfard transforms cultural, civic, and religious organizations through architecture of beauty, function, and grace. Her thoughtful guidance motivates teams to create buildings of inspirational substance and lasting social value.

2021 Jeffrey Dugan

New York NY

Jeffrey Dugan's innovative, precedent-setting transportation facilities advance and enrich the urban social infrastructure and the user experience. His projects and his advocacy have brought international attention to the profession's leadership in transforming the public sphere.

2021 Laura Ettelman-Gunter

New York NY

Laura's record of accomplishments testifies to her hands-on leadership in coordinating large-scale architecture and engineering teams, while integrating technology to advance major domestic and international infrastructure projects impacting the lives of people around the world.

2021 Thomas Greving

Venice CA

Thom is an extraordinary catalyst in transforming organizations, the profession and communities using a research-integrated design methodology rooted in empathy, while being accountable to meaningful and measurable outcomes for human, environmental and business resilience.

2021 Jayesh Hariyani

Ahmedabad India

Setting an exemplary model for nationally known integrated design practice; Jayesh is advancing further through expert contributions in mainstreaming sustainability in architecture and assuming leadership roles in development of green rating systems at national level

2021 Keith Hempel (best example)

Irvine CA

Keith Hempel has devoted his career to developing and sharing an integrated model for sustainable design, systematically achieving high performance and design excellence, regardless of budget, program, or size constraints.

2021 Brian Hurttienne

Detroit MI

Brian Hurttienne advocates for community empowerment creating economic opportunities that elevate Detroit as an international example of community renewal. Through historic preservation and design, his practice surpassed economic and social obstacles to lead Detroit's communities.

2021 Diane Jacobs

Phoenix AZ

Diane Jacobs focuses the power of the practice to elevate diverse voices, ignite creativity in students, and empower communities to shape their futures with purpose and joy, inspiring dedicated action toward repairing our world.

2021 Neal Jones

Tempe AZ

Neal Jones advances the profession, successfully uniting nationally honored practice leadership with education. Passionately sharing honed techniques in practice resiliency, he connects parallel professions and creates strong community alliances that raise the profile of architecture.

2021 David Keith (best example)

Norfolk VA

David Keith champions a model of practice driven by continuous talent development, creating a thriving culture of design excellence and transforming the firms that he leads and the communities and campuses in which he works.

2021 Eric Lagerberg

Seattle WA

Eric Lagerberg redefined the retail design idiom to focus on the consumer, expanded the architect's sphere of influence, and spread knowledge across the profession.

2021 Mohammed Lawal

Minneapolis MN

Through practice, business leadership, and purposeful mentoring, Mohammed Lawal, AIA expands the reach and social impact of the profession. He has created a growing and influential regional practice benefiting communities rarely served by Black architects.

2021 Laura Lesniewski

Kansas City MO

Laura Lesniewski leads with empathy to achieve systemic change and transformative outcomes. For three decades her efforts have elevated the human experience through design, advanced industry knowledge and tools, and applied resilient thinking in practice.

2021 Erica Loynd

Seattle WA

Erica Loynd, national justice design expert, elevates conditions for disenfranchised people. She creates environments, sets new standards, and educates owners and colleagues on architecture that fosters wellness, equity, and support for people in their communities.

2021 Mouzhan Majidi

London UK

Majidi's designs, leadership and passion for diversity have made a real difference in the profession; creating new benchmarks in design innovation, user-experience and sustainability that enhances the quality of life for over 500-million people globally.

2021 Michael Marshall

Washington DC

Michael Marshall embodies the role of architect as catalyst and steward of the African-American experience. Through projects with national and international resonance, and a practice that elevates diverse voices, he champions and inspires global inclusivity.

2021 Douglas McCarty

Knoxville TN

A warm, generous and enthusiastic servant leader, Doug McCarty has made a lasting impact in his community through his firm, his commitment to the East Tennessee Community Design Center, and mentorship.

2021 Renauld Deandre Mitchell

Chicago IL

Expanding dialogue to engage diverse perspectives, Renauld Deandre Mitchell synthesizes client objectives with stakeholder aspirations to cultivate architecture that galvanizes consensus, revitalizes communities, and exposes the profession to underrepresented constituencies.

2021 James Simeo

Los Angeles CA

James Simeo creates benchmark science and technology facilities that crack open traditional hierarchies to foster diversity and collaboration in adaptable, interactive and transdisciplinary spaces using a uniquely inclusive programming process and integrated, cooperative project delivery.

2021 Scott Teixeira

Fairfax VA

Scott Teixeira safeguards our nation's heritage by authoring design standards for archives and museums. Through expanding the continued service of these most prominent historical structures, Scott's work advances the mission of America's cultural institutions.

2020 Bartlett J. Baker, Jr. (best example)

St. Paul MN

Focused on the dynamic interdependency of architecture and construction, Bake Baker has advanced new process leadership models for architects and owners using skillful inventive tools, shared among peers nationally, that define aspirations and design's value.

2020 Mia Blanchett

Minneapolis MN

Mia Blanchett believes in the power of public architecture. Her genuine leadership balances complexity with vision, shaping the everyday lives of thousands of people as they come together to work, play, and govern.

2020 Holly Briggs

Washington DC

Holly Briggs sets national standards for health, sustainability, and productivity that transform the corporate and federal workplace. She strategically shapes environments that enrich human experiences and elevates the practice of interior architecture.

2020 Madeline Burke-Vigeland

New York NY

Madeline Burke-Vigeland's development of innovative collaborative processes to enhance outcomes has resulted in an advancement of architectural standards and the execution of internationally recognized educational and cultural projects.

2020 Philip Chen

Boston MA

Through skillful design, progressive firm leadership, and impactful advocacy, Philip Chen is expanding the intersection between preservation and contemporary architecture, enhancing the utility and longevity of historic buildings and sites in academic and civic realms.

2020 Lee E. Coplan

Baltimore MD

Influencing through service to the Institute and the profession, Lee Coplan redefined design firm culture by championing diversity, continuous learning, and mentoring young architects to thrive as leaders of a collaborative, multidiscipline national practice.

2020 Thomas R. Cox

Appleton WI

Thomas Cox reshaped project delivery through innovative practice and national advocacy for the Architect as principal leader of integrated design-build teams. His processes are widely recognized for transformative cost, schedule, risk, and sustainability improvements.

2020 Katherine W Faulkner

Boston MA

Katherine Faulkner, AIA has built a career innovating both form and practice, challenging the basis of architecture's business model, elevating design excellence, and launching a platform for prototyping, experimentation, and digital design-build.

2020 Barbara Flammang

Culver City CA

Barbara Flammang fundamentally changed downtown Los Angeles by leading her firm's transformative work in the City's historic core. Her enlightened management practices have tenaciously advanced equity, diversity and inclusivity for nearly 40 years.

2020 David W. Goldberg

Seattle WA

David Goldberg has advanced integrated sustainable design and the role of architect as collaborator and leader through the growth of a national mission-driven design practice, hands-on project leadership, and a legacy of service.

2020 Joelle D. Jefcoat

Charlotte NC

Foreseeing risk stemming from numerous changes influencing practice, Joelle Jefcoat gained legal expertise to guide the profession in risk management, advance advocacy among experts and practitioners, and educate the building industry to safeguard architecture's future.

2020 Sarah Meeker Jensen

Santa Monica CA

Super-effectively cross-trained as an architect, business administrator and contractor, Sarah Meeker Jensen's focus on healthcare economics has forged a new, nationally recognized model for facility planning/design while envisioning the health system of the future.

2020 Constance C. Lai

Washington DC

Constance Lai integrates the practice of architecture, preservation, and construction. She rejuvenates national landmarks by leading construction teams, raises the standard of quality by implementing innovative technologies, and actively transfers her knowledge to the profession.

2020 Karin J. Liljegren

Los Angeles CA

Karin Liljegren elevates the architect's role in urban revitalization, creating a nationally applicable model for the practice of adaptive reuse by driving citywide policy innovations, strengthening industry expertise, and empowering community growth.

2020 Mariko Masuoka

New Haven CT

Mariko Masuoka leads a collaborative, inclusive design process that advances the profession with designs that enhance their surroundings and embody social well-being, placemaking and sustainability.

2020 David R. Moore, II

Simpsonville SC

David Moore, AIA has pioneered, advanced and shared a Road Map methodology for library master planning that empowers public and academic libraries nationwide with hope for re-envisioning and re-defining print-based repositories into community-centered learning environments.

2020 Kirk Narburgh

Syracuse NY

A dedicated advocate of the architectural realm, Kirk Narburgh's visionary leadership in practice, the institute, and through education inspires collaborative environments that foster positive actions for the benefit of our profession and society.

2020 Thomas Roszak

Chicago IL

Thomas Roszak advances an architect-led, integrated project delivery process through a single source model, elevating quality architecture. He transforms underutilized properties into thoughtful buildings enriched by livable scale and uses, improving the public realm.

2020 Vijay Sehgal

Los Angeles CA

In the urgent, hardscrabble world of affordable housing, Vijay Sehgal provides a strong footing for these special communities. Tenacious and unapologetically ethical, he has unceasingly identified opportunities, overcome constraints, and designed healthy, welcoming, sustainable places.

2020 Pauline Souza

San Francisco CA

Architecture is an act of education. Pauline Souza manifests this mission as an advocate, a practitioner, and an industry leader. Through work with communities, clients, and colleagues, she creates a healthy, sustainable future by design.

2020 Michael E. Tingley

Portland OR

Michael Tingley's nationally recognized practice leverages his performing arts expertise to shape innovative projects that advance the profession by building community, enhancing pedagogy, and promoting the exchange of ideas for both civic and university clients.

2020 Christopher S. Wasney

Palo Alto CA

Christopher Wasney's sensitive responses to academic architecture establish clarity and integrity while accommodating modern needs and innovative pedagogies. Operating within world-renowned campuses, Chris expands design and adaptive reuse strategies, resulting in award-winning and influential projects.

2020 Steven R. White

Washington DC

Steve White transforms historically significant buildings for contemporary functions and places new buildings within historic context, bridging architectural eras with modern construction. His leadership ensures complex aspirations become enduring solutions for professionals and the public.

2020 Ashley Wilson

Alexandria VA

Ashley Wilson leads the National Trust's movement to save the places where our history happened, empowering all to see themselves in our diverse society. She educates and mentors future preservation leaders nationwide with pioneering practices.

2020 W. Kenneth Wiseman

Arlington VA

In designing inventive, high-performance sports facilities for Olympic and collegiate athletes across North America, W. Kenneth Wiseman has created new conceptual models and planning standards now adopted by sports institutions worldwide.

2019 Bruce R. Becker

Fairfield CT

Bruce Redman Becker finds scalable solutions to pervasive social, economic, and environmental problems by creating innovative buildings and organizations through the integrated practice of architecture, urban planning, and sustainable development.

2019 Joseph N. Brancato

New York NY

Joseph Brancato's innovative training and mentoring programs, his master plans and built work, and his pioneering approach to practice have advanced the roles of the architect and the Institute as agents of change globally.

2019 Kim Bretheim

Minneapolis MN

Kim Bretheim, AIA has designed over 8,700 affordable housing living units with new strategies for enhanced design, sustainability, and durability. These innovations empower clients, funders, and other architects to achieve a lasting social impact.

2019 John H. Britton

Lafayette CA

John Britton educates clients, builders, fellow professionals and governments in world-class construction practices and collaborative delivery methods, expertly managing large-scale international projects to produce award-winning architecture.

2019 Jared DellaValle

Brooklyn NY

Jared Della Valle is expanding the role of the architect through innovation of practice. He has designed and developed acclaimed work by leading a renaissance of entrepreneurship in the profession to improve the built environment.

2019 Jordan Goldstein

Washington DC

Jordan Goldstein is reshaping the global practice of design. An early adopter and integrator of digital technology, he has led a transformation in the processes, education, and realization of a diverse, collaborative, and future-focused architecture.

2019 Jeffrey J. Gunning (best example)

Dallas TX

Jeff Gunning redefines the retail / mixed-use idiom as a catalyst for community, shares his knowledge widely across the profession, and ignites a passion for explorative scholarship in student architects.

2019 Thomas L. Hoskens

Minneapolis MN

Thomas Hoskens has elevated Native American entertainment architecture through introducing cultural authenticity, functionality, and programming innovations to this relatively new project type. His career shows how architects can support tribal prosperity and cultural expression.

2019 Aaron J. Hyland

San Francisco CA

Aaron Hyland, a thoughtfully persuasive design advocate, preservationist and educator, demonstrates architecture's capacity to honor indelible memories. His place-making skills inspire institutions and communities, illuminating the importance of architectural heritage and cultural legacy

2019 Thomas Lee Hysell

Minneapolis MN

Tom Hysell leads complex project teams to achieve exceptional civic architecture. He exemplifies the technical and communication skills needed to optimize project quality while supporting the profession through specialized knowledge sharing and AIA leadership.

2019 Tracy Lea

New Orleans LA

For Tracy Lea, social equity is not an afterthought, but rather an integral design determinant. Through his distinguished practice, community activism and leadership, he advances an ambitious agenda merging universal accessibility, resilience, and design excellence.

2019 Jeffrey L. Paine

Durham NC

Jeff Paine inspires private-sector corporations and developers to transcend profit-driven objectives; incorporating public amenities and balancing iconic design with solutions that enrich communities while advocating for architecture that invites and facilitates public use.

2019 Marc B. Spector

Woodbury New York

Marc Spector reframes the business of architecture to create value for design and collaboration. Bridging entrepreneurship and design, he leads an award-winning practice, transforming client workplaces, and inspiring collective achievement of the extraordinary.

2019 Karl W. Stumpf

Washington DC

Karl Stumpf advances the mission of our federal government through the preservation of our country's landmarks as strategic workplaces and public icons. His national leadership, stewardship and advocacy elevates the role of the preservation architect.

2019 Janet A. Tam

Berkeley CA

Janet Tam exemplifies the architect's indispensable value to society. A leader of civic engagement in design and a trusted community advisor, she translates diverse community aspirations and experiences into public architecture of resounding impact.

2019 Jimmie E. Tucker

Memphis TN

Jimmie Tucker's visionary community leadership, transformative architecture, service to AIA and NOMA, combined with influential teaching and community engagement, advanced the profession and made his hometown of Memphis a better place to live.

2019 Nicholas E. Vlattas

Norfolk VA

Through his pioneering influence in pursuing multiple business strategies while concurrently nurturing constructive practice culture, Nick Vlattas, AIA catapulted his regional firm to international prominence in enriching campus life for many thousands of college students.

2019 Brian T. Wurst

Charleston SC

Brian uses the art of hand drawing to give voice to clients' aspirations. His process humanizes architecture with warmth and wit; he draws towards spirited design, invigorated communities, and meaningful mentorship; elevating the architectural process.

2018 Jay Bargmann

New York NY

Jay Bargmann has pioneered the integration of the practical and the visionary, employing innovative management processes to achieve the highest standards of design, function, and construction, and realize award-winning architecture that serves the public realm.

2018 Jonathan Barnes

Columbus OH

Jonathan Barnes AIA is an innovative community activist architect who dramatically changes communities with transformative design, adaptive preservation, social entrepreneurship and interdisciplinary leadership.

2018 Gerald Warren Briggs

Washington DC

Gerald Briggs unlocks technical, creative, and human potential in complex federal projects. Challenging preconceived programmatic formulas to expand design boundaries and enhance user performance, Jerry elevates federal design through his inspired vision and process.

2018 Leigh Christy

Los Angeles CA

Leigh Christy champions multidisciplinary, research-based design to deliver high-impact public benefit projects through her writing, speaking, teaching, and practice. Her precedent-setting approach builds consensus, empowers innovation, and achieves environmental, social, and economic resilience and sustainability.

2018 Jonah Cohen

Portland OR

Jonah Cohen is a CITIZEN ARCHITECT who has blazed a path throughout his career, demonstrating to clients, colleagues and audiences that beauty and humanity in design are entirely compatible with efficiency and high performance.

2018 Joseph Coppola

New York NY

Joseph Coppola's grasp of architectural history, his design vision, and his dedication to serving the public realm have resulted in a precedent-setting advance in the art and science of the adaptive reuse of historic buildings.

2018 William (Griff) Davenport

Minneapolis MN

A master mentor and practice accelerator, William (Griff) Davenport designed programs and strategies that nurtured talent, fueled growth, fostered collaboration, and documented design value and shared them freely to seed success within the architecture profession.

2018 R. David Frum

Seattle WA

R. David Frum impacted healthcare architectural practice by lowering healthcare costs through early integration of LEAN methodologies. He earned national acclaim for his collaborative team leadership and he pioneered conferences that educate healthcare architects nationwide.

2018 William B. Gallagher Jr.

Washington DC

Bill Gallagher transforms lives and communities with innovative intermodal transportation designs. Through his leadership in planning, strategy, and public engagement, his exceptional work raises the credibility of architects worldwide and ensures a sustainable future.

2018 James House

Culver City CA

Globally recognized for significantly redefining the role of Executive Architect, Jim House orchestrates revolutionary partnerships, leading acclaimed and emerging architects toward breakthrough projects and stronger practices while broadly sharing his distinctive collaborative culture and approach.

2018 Zena K. Howard (best example)

Durham NC

Reshaping contemporary practice norms, Zena Howard engages disenfranchised stakeholders, unites disparate parties and infuses cultural meaning into all projects from national icons to urban landscapes, all while championing diversity and promoting architecture to future generations.

2018 Samuel Miller

Seattle WA

Sam Miller exemplifies successful architectural practice in the 21st century through energetic, team-based collaboration, innovations in research and sustainable design, cross-generational mentoring, civic engagement, and inspirational leadership of award-winning projects.

2018 Haril Pandya

Boston MA

Generational market shifts have forced modern approaches to adaptive reuse. Leveraging national media and driven by passionate leadership, Haril has built a repositioning practice and given rise to new, sustainable preservation approaches to forgotten buildings.

2018 Frederick (Rick) Petersen

Denver CO

Rick Petersen is an inspiring change agent to elevate Conservation, Communities and Careers. He creates impact by advancing interdisciplinary collaboration through Practice, Civic Leadership and Mentoring.

2018 Donna Phaneuf

Norfolk VA

Utilizing her own innovative educational tools and collaborative processes, Donna Phaneuf not only elevates the coastline with technically complex, highly contextual design solutions, but redefines "Architect" from the perspective of both client and community.

2018 Zigmund Rubel

Brisbane CA

Zigmund Rubel, AIA, advanced the practice of architecture by defining, disseminating and implementing highly collaborative project delivery models and digital tools that promoted more cost effective and higher quality healthcare design and construction.

2018 Edwin Schmidt

Northbrook IL

Transforming the country's urban schools, Edwin Schmidt improves the lives of students and educators. His design leadership inspires the innovative reuse of historic and underused buildings and revitalizes inner cities with vibrant spaces and partnerships.

2018 John M. Sellery

Hong Kong

Transforming the role of the architect with the dedication and integrity of a master builder, John rigorously consolidates the principles of design-build to create holistic success for each project, client and transdisciplinary team.

2018 Christopher N. Shears

Denver CO

A passionate weaver of urban fabric, Christopher Shears, AIA leads in expanding the possibilities of planning, zoning and design to catalytically transform cities and how people live in them.

2018 Troy Sherrard

Columbus OH

Troy Sherrard has developed a specialty practice in Health, Wellness, Fitness, and Recreation Architecture which leverages long-term health benefts to foster community, engagement, social gathering, and human connectivity.

2018 Lloyd Sigal

Bronx NY

Lloyd Sigal has elevated the profession and educated the next generation of architects through leadership on exceptionally complex, award-winning projects driven by innovation and collaboration, as well dramatic building transformations, that have reshaped global practice.

2018 James Susman

Austin TX

Jim Susman brought a holistic view of architecture to Austin's nascent philanthropic culture to drive its maturation, establish stability, and seize opportunities to direct game changing projects that enhance lives and inspire the community.

2018 Karen Hargarther Thomas

Seattle WA

Karen's approach to practice management is "People First." Through this, she has advanced the standards of the practice of architecture as evidenced in her leadership development, client relationships, practice growth, and meaningful connections to community.

2018 Grant Uhlir

Chicago IL

Grant Uhlir's rare combination of tactical and individualized leadership expertise creates new delivery models and consensus-building strategies for complex, global architecture; fosters technical innovation; and strengthens sustainability and social equity to advance architectural practice.

2018 Paul Whalen

New York NY

Through his planning projects, buildings, lectures, and writings, Paul Whalen shows how the lessons of American urbanism, from traditional towns to high-density Manhattan, can guide 21st century community-making at all scales at home and internationally.

2018 Stephen Wierzbowski

Chicago IL

Stephen Wierzbowski's Practice combines imagery, drawing and narrative to engage clients in choosing unexpected solutions. His process marries design thinking and storytelling to broaden the scope of how architecture can be created collaboratively.

2018 Graham S. Wyatt

New York NY

Graham Wyatt advances the profession by demonstrating the power of architecture to further the art and science of education while strengthening the unique campus identities of the academic institutions he serves.

2017 Gary M. Ainge

Chicago IL

Through his versatility and ability to work with wide ranging design expressions under challenging circumstances, Gary Ainge has elevated the practice of architecture through his creative thoughtful management of nationally recognized, typologically diverse projects.

2017 Roderick Ashley

Portland OR

Roderick Ashley advances design excellence across regions and cultures through his tireless and passionate advocacy on behalf of the built environment and the profession, enhancing the public's understanding and appreciation of quality design.

2017 Ann Marie Baranowski

New York NY

Ann Marie Baranowski strategically integrates art and architecture into original built works of enduring value and advocates for culture as vital to the public realm.

2017 Jack Alan Bialosky, Jr.

Cleveland OH

Embracing a new paradigm for practice, Jack Alan Bialosky, Jr. has empowered multiple generations of leaders, modeled the architect as a community leader, and inspired peers to reimagine their own firms, thereby transforming the profession.

2017 Robert Lewis Bostwick

Cleveland OH

Through innovations in collaborative practice models, Robert Bostwick is improving project delivery to achieve exceptional outcomes while advocating nationally to position architects as the most capable leaders to skillfully integrate complex teams.

2017 Gaylaird Wiley Christopher

Pasadena CA

Inspiring Children to Learn; every plan, building system, and detail provides a teaching moment for students, as architecture becomes their '3-dimensional textbook'. Forty years of improving teaching through translation of curriculum into the built environment.

2017 Richard T. Connell

Glastonbury CT

Through planning and design of facilities for independent PreK-12 schools, Rich Connell has developed a national practice focused on innovative user engagement resulting in transformative educational environments that are mission-driven, celebrate learning and foster community.

2017 Gerald D. Cowart

Savannah GA

Gerald D. Cowart believes that 'great leaders participate passionately in serving community and profession.' His dedication to AIA service, commitment to design excellence, and desire to give back through mentorship radiates internationally.

2017 Rada Doytcheva

Chicago IL

Rada Doytcheva leads a practice of wide community impact with socially responsible projects. She deftly navigates the challenges of budget and bureaucracy, champions innovative ideas, and deliberately pursues opportunities to create rational, people-oriented designs.

2017 Timothy J. Dufault

Minneapolis MN

Through his visionary leadership, Tim Dufault has advanced the work of talented architects around the country by shaping the dialogue on the design of educational environments and the impact they have on learning.

2017 Williston Lamar Dye

Greenville SC

Creating markets and opportunities for architects in the entertainment and hospitality industries, Williston Dye engages the profession and Fortune 500 companies with innovative, collaborative design management, expanding resort hotels and theme parks for millions nationwide.

2017 Timothy R. Eddy

Portland OR

Tim Eddy's nationally recognized work and advocacy at the nexus of sustainable architecture, urban design, and place-making challenges and inspires clients and colleagues to practice long-term thinking while pursuing design excellence.

2017 Paul R. Erickson

Reston VA

By serving those who serve others, Paul Erickson transforms the lives of first responders, congregations, community leaders, and colleagues with cutting-edge public safety design, inspiring religious architecture, and galvanizing civic leadership.

2017 Timothy M. Fishking

Columbus OH

Tim Fishking, AIA, has advanced healthcare design industry innovations, by pioneering the modular prefabrication of building systems while leading collaboration with constructors and transforming healthcare design and construction.

2017 Lori Snyder Garrett

Richmond VA

Through a process of engagement and inclusion in both higher education and the profession, Lori Garrett transforms architecturally significant university campuses into modern crucibles for learning, crafted with deep sensitivity to context and mission.

2017 Michael D. Garz

Philadelphia PA; New York NY

Driven by the belief that architecture fosters healing and renewal, Mike emerged as a key leader in the politically and emotionally charged World Trade Center redevelopment, demonstrating architects can and should spearhead major public commissions.

2017 Charles R. Hasbrouck

Chicago IL

Charles R. Hasbrouck, AIA, advances the practice of architecture through his business skills, management expertise, and leadership qualities. He has been consistently successful in implementing complex, challenging and influential projects around the world.

2017 Julia S. Hughes

San Diego CA

Julia Hughes champions justice architecture that restores human potential through community-based, socially-resilient solutions. In practice and advocacy, she impacts design and delivery in work that redefines sustainability through innovative strategies that support viable, thriving communities.

2017 Scott B. Hunter

Los Angeles CA

Scott enhances communities through his expansive global practice guidance. His professional leadership has created a recognized civic influence, an energized design culture, and the promotion of healthful sustainable places.

2017 John M. Hutchings

Dallas TX

John Hutchings created one of one of the world's most acclaimed sports practices, delivering architecturally and environmentally significant multi-use facilities designed to be regionally appropriate and to revitalize cities, globally.

2017 Luis Jauregui

Austin TX

Luis Jauregui elevated the standing of custom residential architects and established a powerful national network for this under-represented constituency to make connections, strengthen their firms, share best practices, and highlight the value of their work.

2017 Lisa K. Johnson

Seattle WA

Lisa Johnson drives innovation in architecture for education through design practice leadership, advocacy, and mentoring. Her efforts have led to enhanced learning environments for more than 150,000 students, more sustainable schools, and increased youth engagement.

2017 Sami Kirkdil

Bethesda MD

Sami Kirkdil advances urban housing in the Nation's Capital and beyond. His inventive mixed-use residential designs demonstrate architecture's power to revitalize neighborhoods and transform the way we live in the 21st-century city.

2017 Lisa Lamkin

Dallas TX

Lisa Lamkin creates educational environments that transform communities and shape lives. Through practice, leadership and knowledge sharing, she demonstrates the capacity of architecture and architects to positively impact social infrastructure.

2017 David B. Meleca

Columbus OH

David B Meleca has combined his unique expertise of classical architecture and theology to become a national leader in the renaissance of traditional Roman Catholic church architecture.

2017 Steve Parker

Calverton MD

Throughout his 44-year career, Steve Parker AIA has advanced the practice of architecture through transformative community design and commitment to sustainability; by mentorship based on fostering collaboration and diversity; and by exemplifying service and philanthropy.

2017 Eric O. Pempus

Majority of time split between Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh PA; OH

Providing leadership, mentoring and specialized risk management services to the architectural profession, Eric Pempus engages practitioners, students, the public and other construction industry stakeholders through national educational programs, ethics and research, thereby elevating the profession.

2017 Daria F. Pizzetta

New York NY

Daria Pizzetta has had a leading role in shaping the evolution of library design nationally, as well as the discourse about the design of major public buildings and arts institutions.

2017 Anthony G. Rohr

Kansas City MO

An evangelist for practice resilience, Tony Rohr has developed programs and processes that integrate design with business, injecting enduring vitality into the practice of architecture in leadership roles within his firm and the profession.

2017 Alissa D. Rupp

Seattle WA

Alissa Rupp is a practice leader in the design of places for informal education and lifelong learning. She improves public life through the serious work of creating spaces where art, nature, culture and play intersect.

2017 Sandy Silverman

Washington DC

Sandy Silverman transforms the fabric of America's cities by creating vibrant mixed-use neighborhoods. His innovative approach to the design of transit-oriented residential developments makes him a sought-after partner, and catalyst for the real estate community.

2017 Carolyn Jane Smith

New York NY

As a highly regarded leader of practice, projects, and education, Jane Smith has pioneered the integration of pragmatism and imagination, of design and the business of design, advancing the strength and influence of the profession.

2017 Peter G. Smith

Saint Paul MN

Pete Smith is passionate about developing leaders within the profession and in sharing creative strategies for sustainable business leadership, client service and design. He proves that business success and distinguished architecture are simultaneously possible.

2017 Kevin G. Sneed

Silver Spring MD

Kevin Sneed's career in architecture is a testament to his fervent involvement in the practice that extends beyond its intended boundaries, elevating his work in practice management through leadership, empowerment and pubic service.

2017 Kalavati Somvanshi

New York NY

Kalavati Somvanshi is a leader who leverages foresight and experience by creating learning opportunities for the fellow architects, consultants and subcontractors. Her efforts enhance design excellence, technical expertise for teams facilitating the practice of architecture.

2017 Kurt G. Spiering

Milwaukee WI

Kurt Spiering has advanced the architectural profession through his leadership in Healthcare design, dedication to research and knowledge sharing, and pioneering use of Lean, Experience and Evidence-Based Design principles.

2017 David J. Varner

Washington DC

David Varner discovers and celebrates hidden environmental, economic, and design opportunities in existing buildings. Through inspired analysis and process, he transforms and expands their design boundaries to create new value for owners, communities, and cities.

2017 Anil Verma

Los Angeles CA

Anil has designed and managed the execution of rail transit stations nationally and abroad, transforming many urban communities. His research has been widely influential globally, emphasizing the importance of transit in shaping the city environment.

2017 Todd C. Voth

Kansas City MO

Todd Voth has advanced our profession by developing a new model for convention center design, shaping urban spaces and growing multiple firms - all through an entrepreneurial approach that encourages innovation, leadership and mentorship.

2017 MIchael A. Wiencek, Jr.

Washington DC

A pioneer in showing how affordable housing can join the American mainstream, Michael Wiencek continues to lead in creating mixed-income, mixed-use communities, setting standards for governments, stakeholders, and a new generation of architects nationwide.

2017 Douglas S. Wignall

Omaha NE

Using design excellence as his compass, Doug Wignall has redefined 21st-century global architectural practice, empowering architects to think beyond buildings and innovate across disciplines, geographies and firms to improve the human condition.

2017 Bruce Williams (best example)

Seattle WA

Bruce Williams is advancing architectural practice throughout the nation through expert contributions to AIA documents supporting risk management, sustainability and design collaboration, as well as through leadership of an exemplary model for integrated design practice.

2017 James Michael Wright

Washington DC

James Wright is at the vanguard of international practice, applying his unparalleled experience to practice education and the creation, establishment, and ongoing leadership of the AIA International Region benefitting thousands of members.

2017 Willy Yu

Taipei, Taiwan, ROC

Willy's innovative management delivers pioneering, well-executed projects, and his use of synergy has revolutionized international collaborative practice. Inspiring the next generation with open knowledge sharing, Willy ushers in an elevated professional practice.

2017 Howard L. Zimmerman

New York NY

A respected leader and expert in the preservation and restoration of building façades, Howard Zimmerman has raised the awareness and advanced the standards of this specialty, transforming the safety and aesthetics of the urban experience.

2016 Mehrnoush Arsanjani

San Francisco CA

Mehrnoush Arsanjani is a master of human-centered design, studying procedures and behavior to advance the practice of the nations most innovative healthcare provider, and transferring these advances to care for the under-served, here and abroad.

2016 Hans Baldauf

San Francisco CA

Through built work and civic involvement, Hans Baldauf nurtures the sustainable food movement, creating places that bring an appreciation of organic agriculture into the heart of urban culture, while broadening architecture's understanding of sustainability.

2016 John Barbour

Minneapolis MN

John Barbour orchestrates design solutions by uncovering the shared vision of owners, community members, fellow designers and public officials engaged in his projects, resulting in a legacy energized by his team-driven approach to architecture.

2016 Barbara Bouza

Los Angeles CA

Barbara Bouza pioneered a global Health & Wellness Architecture Practice by creating a transformative integrated practice model to elevate the direct relationship between human wellbeing and the progress of societies.

2016 Larry S Cash

Anchorage AK

Larry Cash's advancement of practice, founded in Alaska, transcends geographic boundaries. Within political and cultural complexities, his authentic leadership, team empowerment, and strategic collaboration produce technical excellence, innovative design, exceptional project delivery and sustainable communities.

2016 Sean Chuan-Sheng Chiao

Hong Kong

Sean Chiao has pioneered shaping the built environment in the Asia Pacific with an interdisciplinary, holistic design approach. His collaborative forums guide professionals, governments and students to apply sustainable visioning to complex urban architectural challenges.

2016 Yolanda Cole

Washington DC

Yolanda Cole is a trailblazer. She leads her firm with strategic vision, creates a collaborative culture to explore new frontiers and expand services, and shares her knowledge and expertise to inspire others to succeed.

2016 Ellen Bailey Dickson

Chicago IL

Influential leader Ellen Dickson advances the profession through exemplary practice management. She leads stakeholder engagement in civic architecture; elevates the role of the architect in the community; and ardently mentors women architects for leadership roles.

2016 Ruth M. Gless

Columbus OH

As a creator of firm culture and a leader of professional and community advocacy organizations, Ruth M. Gless, AIA has bridged the realms of practice, education, and public awareness.

2016 Charles H. Griffin

Houston TX

Charles Griffin effectively fosters change at a pivotal time in healthcare. Leader, manager, mentor—he stimulates the wisdom of the collective, bringing together organizations, clients and colleagues to advance architecture for health.

2016 Meral Iskir

Bethesda MD

An industry leader in urban housing, award-winning architect Meral Iskir brings her global perspective and mixed-use experience to underserved communities, including 10,000 residential units that are reconnecting neighborhood corners throughout greater Washington, DC.

2016 Thomas S. Ito

Los Angeles CA

Thomas Ito has shaped hospitality-driven architecture that redefines guest experiences within innovative and sustainable frameworks, contributes to urban contexts, and integrates architects' roles as both creative and strategic counsel to global brands.

2016 Larry Kearns

Chicago IL

Larry Kearns, visionary leader and trusted collaborator, creates concise, elegant and emotionally resonant buildings. Recognizing both challenge and possibility even in urban blight, he proves socially responsible architectural practices enrich lives and transform communities.

2016 Alexander P. Lamis

New York NY

Through his work designing major public and academic libraries, archives, museums, and cultural institutions, Alexander Lamis has made significant contributions to the understanding of our national heritage while investing in the future of American cities.

2016 Philip S. LiBassi

Cleveland OH

Philip LiBassi advances practice management and design excellence through a collaborative, integrated design process resulting in measurable outcomes and national, award-winning architecture. He impacts the profession and multiple stakeholders nationally through his broad-based outreach.

2016 Bettina Mehnert

Honolulu HI

Bettina Mehnert helped Hawaii's architectural industry evolve and innovate, modeling a novel philosophy of practice that blends advanced IT solutions, firm culture, client cultivation, and community service as inseparable filaments of professional leadership.

2016 Mark R. Miller

San Francisco CA

Mark R Miller is a pioneer in the expansion of architectural practice, developing new practice models and methods that demonstrate architecture's relevance to emerging economic and social issues and give architects access to new markets.

2016 Victor A. Mirontschuk

New York NY

A pioneer in and influential advocate for higher density housing, Victor Mirontschuk combines planning and architecture to design environments that promote social interaction and create community. His innovations have established new standards across the country.

2016 Anthony Mosellie

New York NY

Anthony Mosellie developed an innovative, design-oriented delivery method that put architects in the driver's seat for executing and delivering urban megaprojects. He inspires teams and stakeholders to create high-quality, civic-minded development for vibrant, global cities.

2016 Jeffrey Murphy

New York NY

Jeffrey Murphy's architecture fosters social engagement, fortifies community and dramatically broadens the impact and influence of his institutional clients.

2016 F Jeffrey Murray

Pittsburgh PA

Jeff Murray has advanced the architecture of unique, technically complex research facilities with an approach to practice focused on collaboration using live digital 3D iteration.

2016 Kirsten R. Murray

Seattle WA

A national leader in creative practice, Kirsten R. Murray has dedicated her career to elevating the rigor and impact of design through hands-on education and mentorship programs, staff development, community outreach and thought leadership.

2016 William Murray

Los Angeles CA

In over 25 year of practice, William Murray has created a diversity of performing arts projects across the academic and civic realms that have truly transformed arts programs, academic campuses, and cities across the country.

2016 Sarah Nettleton

Minneapolis MN

Through award-winning designs, teaching, and publications, Sarah Nettleton is shaping a new generation of green design. Her practice integrates technology with a deeper understanding of simplicity in architecture and connection to the land.

2016 Andrew G. Nielsen

Denver CO

Setting new standards with a powerful consensus-building process, Andy Nielsen has strengthened the practice of architecture, establishing new paradigms for what clients, the public, and other architects expect of the design process and the Profession.

2016 David M. Oakland

Charlottesville VA

David Oakland has shepherded innovations in pragmatic yet sensitive design solutions for college and university campuses, successfully advancing the missions of these educational institutions while enhancing student life for tens of thousands of aspiring graduates.

2016 David Brent Richards

Detroit MI

David Richards has advanced architectural practice through national leadership in the AIA Practice Management Knowledge Community and substantial contributions to AIA Best Practices which share his exemplary legacy of practice innovation and achievement.

2016 Henry Frank Ricks, Jr.

Memphis TN

Frank Ricks advances the profession by intentionally shaping and nurturing a culture within his firm and his community that honors multidisciplinary collaboration and values the creation and enhancement of community at all levels.

2016 Mark Ripple

New Orleans LA

Mark Ripple's practice management innovations have produced "an exemplary synthesis of design excellence, research, invention, teaching, and mentoring, all for the benefit of the greater society."

2016 Percy 'Rebel' Roberts III

Chicago IL

Percy 'Rebel' Roberts III contributes to the advancement of the profession of architecture nationally and internationally through his commitment to sharing knowledge and elevating best practices and his design innovation on high-performing and award-winning projects.

2016 Ann Merideth Rolland

New York NY

Ann Rolland creates transformative educational and institutional facilities. By forging collaborative processes and connections, she generates opportunities that advance mission-driven program and design.

2016 Michael M. Samuelian

New York NY

Michael Samuelian, AIA is a tireless advocate for design excellence who has a notable impact on significant urban design projects. He has enhanced and expanded the profession by integrating design, development, community service and education.

2016 Michael Schnoering

Princeton NJ

Michael Schnoering is a national leader in the revitalization of theaters. Through project management, design, and advocacy, he guides clients, communities, and colleagues in crafting lasting and accessible solutions that enrich America's performing arts facilities.

2016 Jeffrey C. Stouffer

Dallas TX

Jeff Stouffer has transformed the pediatric health facility design process through the integration of lean project delivery principles, which has profoundly impacted the built environment for pediatric patients, families and staff, and healthcare outcomes.

2016 Gail M Sullivan

Boston MA

Gail Sullivan builds sustainable communities through architecture and planning by advancing social equity, environmental sustainability, and community preservation and empowerment through engagement. Leading by example, her practice demonstrates the power of public interest architecture.

2016 Bryce A. Turner

Baltimore MD

Through design, advocacy, collaboration and community engagement, Bryce Turner has been instrumental in strengthening communities--throughout Baltimore, across Maryland and worldwide by identifying and guiding redevelopment opportunities and creating a "sense of place and community".

2016 Don Weinreich

New York NY

Don Weinreich believes professional practice offers boundless opportunities for creativity. Making superior buildings, creating a vibrant firm culture, optimizing computation in practice and working to mitigate the worldwide refugee crisis are his passions.

2015 Franziska Amacher

Cambridge MA

As a pioneer of green architecture Franziska Amacher has led the profession and guided employees, students and the public towards a sustainable future.

2015 Pamela Anderson-Brulé (best example) San Jose CA

Creating a new leadership role for architects, Pamela Anderson-Brulé, engages clients, leaders, and stakeholders in a comprehensive and transformative evaluation and reprogramming of public agency service operations, while balancing human, social, economic, and environmental needs.

2015 Thomas B. Braham

Chicago IL

Thomas Braham's innovative and empathic approach to leading diverse teams powerfully advances each client's mission and community impact through design excellence for a wide range of complex corporate, institutional and civic projects.

2015 Amy E. Burkett

Denver CO

Amy Burkett has disrupted the paradigm in architecture; she has epitomized the idea that practicing architecture is not tethered by country borders or gender and where women architects are not typically leading offices or practicing.

2015 Gary B. Coursey

Atlanta GA

Gary Coursey, for over four decades, has persistently designed diverse environments and innovative housing solutions from orphanages in Kenya to high density urban communities. His mentoring has inspired young architects by providing pro bono services.

2015 Rick del Monte

Dallas TX

Rick del Monte is transforming the practice of Design Build by elevating the role of the architect and the importance of design excellence.

2015 J. Stuart Eckblad

San Francisco CA

Believing that extraordinary results are possible through collaboration and innovation, Stuart Eckblad has dedicated his career to pioneering the concept of Integrated Project Delivery (IPD), promoting its use and achieving extraordinary results for Healthcare projects.

2015 Beth Greenberg

New York NY

Beth Greenberg is a passionate urbanist who creates dynamic architecture transforming the civic realm. Her expertise in the public process and users' spatial experience guides her leadership of complex projects, engaging communities and revitalizing neighborhoods.

2015 Luanne Greene

Baltimore MD

Luanne Greene's work as an architect and planner has transformed campus planning by thoughtful emphasis on placemaking, elevating the experience of a campus, building for continuity, and connecting deeply to an institution's mission and culture.

2015 John G. Horky

Milwaukee WI

Creating and nurturing cultures of engagement in the practice of architecture, John catalyzes connectivity: students to the profession; staff to the firm's vision; peers to the best HR principles and volunteer leaders to their missions.

2015 Roger P. Jackson

Salt Lake City UT

Roger Jackson's work for a unique church client is historically, culturally, and emotionally resonant. His careful research and design work demonstrates understanding of the client's culture and history and raises the standard for religious architecture.

2015 Thomas Jerry Lominack

Savannah GA

For five decades, Thomas Jerry Lominack has pioneered modern design in historic Savannah while championing historic preservation through a practice rooted in community involvement, AIA leadership, and the mentorship of multiple generations of architects.

2015 Marc Margulies

Boston MA

Marc Margulies has advanced the practice of architecture — through his work and community involvement — by advocating for the positive impact architects have on the quality of the spaces where we work and live.

2015 David S. McHenry

Philadelphia PA

David McHenry has made exceptional contributions as practitioner, teacher, writer, lecturer and inspirational leader on the importance and positive consequence of management issues in practice.

2015 Gary S. Owens

Houston TX

Gary Owens' work elevates the healthcare experience through facilities that play a vital role in better medical treatment, improve safety, and streamline service delivery while shifting hospitals' focus to healing, respite and wellness.

2015 April D. Pottorff

Lexington KY

April inspires clients; creates dignified, humane environments that promote change in behavior. Her leadership, teaching and advocacy of sustainable justice design and operations advance the state of knowledge with agencies, associations, and the Institute.

2015 Ron Rochon

Seattle WA

Ronald Rochon directs an innovative 'practice as laboratory' culture by integrating award-winning design and critical building science, leading high-performance projects that inspire his colleagues and clients to create sustainably advanced buildings, campuses and communities.

2015 William Roger

San Francisco CA

A change agent for healthcare, Bill Roger directs teams to collaboratively innovate, then refine ground-breaking ideas into industry best practices. He shares architectural innovations with colleagues and healthcare providers, enhancing healthcare delivery internationally.

2015 Joan L. Saba

New York NY

An architect devoted to healthcare, Joan Saba is leading a transformation within the healthcare industry: by proving the value of the built environment in high-performance care, she improves health and healing through innovative, inspiring design.

2015 Kirk Teske

Dallas TX

In pioneering the role of Chief Sustainability Officer, Kirk Teske fundamentally transformed HKS' global design culture while his professional leadership and public outreach evangelized the power of sustainable architecture.

2015 Alyosha G. Verzhbinsky

San Francisco CA

Alyosha Verzhbinsky exemplifies the civic role of the architect. His work teaches architects, architecture students, clients, and the public how discerning design, energized by technical mastery and collaborative leadership, can strengthen the social fabric.

2015 John Weekes

Portland OR

John Weekes has advanced the design of educational facilities both regionally and nationally, pushing boundaries through the union of innovation, design, leadership, and sustainability.

Prior to 2015, Practice Management and Practice Technical Advancement were combined as Practice.

2023 Sara Beardsley

Chicago IL

Sara is a thought-leader, mentor, and researcher in the area of tall buildings who has realized technically innovative, sustainable designs with global impact, and elevated the study of carbon reduction in the built environment.

2023 Bernita Beikmann (best example)

Dallas TX

Bernita Beikmann is a pioneer in Integrated Project Delivery. An early exemplar of collaborative methodologies, she created new team approaches, sharing her professional knowledge throughout the industry and serving as a national voice for design.

2023 Todd Grover

Minneapolis MN

Todd Grover is a preservation leader and national advocate for Modernist Design. His teaching, award-winning projects, and widely-shared preservation expertise expand the profession's knowledge and leadership in this increasingly critical field.

2023 Douglas Hanson

Marina del Rey CA

Douglas Hanson has been instrumental in revolutionizing architecture through his work integrating emergent technology and developing an interdisciplinary workflow across practice, design, and construction—bridging the gap between what is imaginable and what is possible.

2023 Neil Katz

New York NY

Neil Katz specializes in computational design. He has pioneered its adoption in contemporary practice and has served as an ambassador for its application in architecture, through architectural projects, interdisciplinary collaborations, and teaching.

2023 Varun Kohli (best example)

New Hyde Park NY

A fierce advocate for environmental and social sustainability, Varun Kohli creates and implements integrated design processes for significant projects globally. His meticulous approach purposefully dissolves the boundaries between built, human, and natural ecosystems.

2023 William LaPatra

Seattle WA

Bill LaPatra has advanced the design of student life facilities nationally through holistic support for students' academic and social development, deep green building performance and championship of design excellence within alternative delivery models.

2023 Andrea Love

Boston MA

Through the rigorous application of her science-based approach to building envelope design, Andrea Love advances the technical knowledge and expertise of the practice in its work to achieve the AIA's climate action plan goals.

2023 Frances Moore

Los Angeles CA

Frances Moore harnesses the power of integrated teams of diverse perspectives, continually innovating evidence-based design and project delivery strategies to create high-performing, precedent-setting hospital and university buildings, inspiring and elevating women's voices in the process.

2023 Brad Tomecek

Denver CO

Brad Tomecek's nationally recognized work focuses on the poetics of design with the ultimate goal of beauty. His innovative explorations inspire alternative construction methods and become reference points to further the building industry at large.

2023 Mark Walsh

Chicago IL

Through practice, education, and research, Mark Walsh has dedicated his career to advancing innovative project delivery, developing rational and responsible building standards, and elevating the art and craft of technical design.

2023 Robin Whitehurst

Chicago IL

Robin Edward Whitehurst catalyzes the growth of social and cultural capital by reconnecting historic buildings with their civic purposes, extending the work of preservation to serve present and future communities.

2022 Kjell Anderson

Seattle WA

Through unwavering advocacy, innovative leadership and a foundation of technical expertise, Kjell Anderson, AIA has profoundly advanced architects' engagement and progress in sustainable design, especially in the crisis issues of energy, carbon, and embodied carbon.

2022 Glen Berry

Eagle ID

Glen Berry has led innovation and improvement in educational and research laboratory design that provides adaptable, flexible, and versatile labs. This innovation allows for unprecedented excellence in science learning and discovery.

2022 Craig Brandt

Chicago IL

Craig Brandt integrates the contextual with the technological through collaborative approaches. He designs and executes public projects which transform historic buildings and elevate the significance of new buildings in sensitive and diverse contexts.

2022 Patrick Burke

Princeton NJ

Leading hospitality projects around the world, Patrick Burke envisions the human experience of a place at every scale, from eco-sensitive resorts steeped in local landscape and culture, to the intricacies of interiors and their furnishings.

2022 Jonathan James Cohn

Brooklyn NY

Jonathan Cohn conceives, plans, designs, and implements transformative public transportation and infrastructure. A national advocate for quality public places, his work elevates both transit users and associated communities, making cities more successful, resilient, and equitable.

2022 David J. Frey

Northridge CA

David Frey's contributions to education and training, and his strategic leadership on technical standards and management tools, elevate the performance of architects around the globe.

2022 Douglas J. Gallow Jr. (best example)

Loveland OH

Doug Gallow has elevated Senior Community Centers nationwide through pioneering advances in design shared openly with senior services professionals, architects, and other design professionals yielding exponential benefits to the senior center industry and society.

2022 Greg Gidez (best example)

Franktown CO

Through leadership, process improvement, and the adoption of innovative technologies, Greg Gidez has strategically contributed to and advanced the design-build delivery method to maximize value and excellence in design.

2022 Kurt William Haapala

Portland OR

Recognized nationally for the design of equitable and inclusive student housing communities, Kurt Haapala's commitment to elevating the student voice and identity has enriched the lives for residents on university campuses around the country.

2022 Anne Holford-Smith

New York NY

Anne Holford-Smith's pioneering preservation approach combines design and research to reveal each building's history and stories. Joining past and future, she creates the next chapters of essential, preeminent cultural assets, enhancing their urban contributions.

2022 Paul L. Macheske

Orlando FL

Paul Macheske's leadership in healthcare architecture is exemplified by a body of work which is focused on the client's mission, provides a framework for the unknown future, and seamlessly integrates advanced technology.

2022 Stephen C. Pickard

Dallas TX

Stephen is a respected thought leader, teacher, and mentor whose national church practice has pioneered community driven, environmentally sustainable and socially responsible design solutions - thereby changing and influencing thinking about an age-old building type.

2022 Robin R. Randall

Clarendon Hills IL

Robin Randall is re-imagining architecture for learning through national leadership in educational design. Provoking learning through dynamic educational planning, impacting communities to change outcomes, she advances discourse creating a culture of inquiry through research-driven design.

2022 Lawrence Joseph Schnuck

Milwaukee WI

Larry Schnuck has designed state-of-the-art, experiential student learning environments by seamlessly integrating academics with patient care in academic health science and dental schools. His architectural leadership has advanced pedagogical approaches and achieved powerful results nationwide.

2022 Steven C. Schultz

Houston TX

Steven Schultz has pioneered new, efficient, effective and economical healthcare design solutions and innovated construction methods to enable community-oriented medical facilities to deliver better care to more people and to meet complex, ever-evolving challenges.

2022 Keith A. Simon

Austin TX

An expert in building enclosure technology, Keith Simon addresses the critical and often unmet need for ensuring and improving building performance, resilience, and durability by guiding design teams, educating future architects, and facilitating interdisciplinary exchange.

2022 Winifred Ann Stopps

Boston MA

"Watch one, do one, teach one." From this medical training, Winne Stopps has extracted the elements of analysis, teamwork and transferring knowledge - melding with creativity to solve "mission impossible" projects and enhance architectural practice.

2022 Mark E Trier

Louisville KY

Mark Trier's technical advancement of daylighting integration strategies has produced innovative educational, commercial, healthcare, and religious buildings. These augment his commitment to sustainable architecture and are promoted through his presentations, publications, and civic volunteerism.

2022 Alexander White

Indianapolis IN

A distinguished force for global change, Alex White innovates strategic research and design improving workplace performance, corporate business practice, and architectural educational pedagogy to create measurable results where good design positively impacts business outcomes.

2022 Stas Zakrzewski

New York NY

Through practice, research, and advocacy, Stas Zakrzewski has pioneered high-performance architecture and modern design with his expertise in Passive House and Mass Timber, fostering a new breed of low-carbon, low-impact buildings.

2021 Heidi Creighton

Los Angeles CA

Heidi Creighton's collaborative, human-centric practice champions environmental performance, health, and social equity. Through inclusive building design, progressive master planning, and persuasive advocacy, she has redefined human wellbeing as a broad and urgent societal mandate.

2021 Allison Ewing

Charlottesville VA

As architect and leader, Allison Ewing advances sustainability through design, implementation and advocacy – both within and beyond the architectural profession – by modeling change in the building industry with solutions both visionary and practicable.

2021 Karen Fairbanks

New York NY

Karen Fairbanks shapes vibrant and equitable built environments through her designs for civic, educational and community-based organizations and her leadership in the transformative education of future architects and activists.

2021 Kathleen Frazier

Staunton VA

Kathleen Frazier has revitalized the historic heart of communities in Virginia and nationwide for the past forty years, transforming attitudes toward the built heritage through her dedication to historic preservation, economic revitalization, and community engagement.

2021 Julie Hiromoto

Dallas TX

With remarkable vision, Julie Hiromoto harnesses architecture's power as a positive force to heal seemingly intractable social challenges. She transforms architectural practice to embrace a more sustainable and evidence-based future, fostering equity and human health.

2021 Brad Jacobson

San Francisco CA

Brad Jacobson is trailblazing the path to a climate positive built environment. He harnasses the power of integrated design to create inspirational buildings and transfers knowledge to speed adoption on a global level.

2021 Hilary Kinder Bertsch

New York NY

Hilary Bertsch designs the public realm through mixed-use master plans, waterfronts, and urban campuses. Her work transforms and revitalizes urban sites around the country, creating vibrant new settings authentic to local context and history.

2021 William Kline

Bethesda MD

William Kline creates specialized environments that heal our country's wounded warriors and preserve America's diverse cultural heritage, revitalizing and inspiring individuals and communities nationwide. His details, systems and strategies elevate the art of technical innovation.

2021 Bryan Langlands (best example)

New York NY

Bryan's leadership in forward-focused thinking, knowledge sharing and consensus building elevates the national discourse on the architecture practice of healthcare environments by advancing the delivery of care, guiding top-tier medical institutions, and influencing regulatory change.

2021 Daniel Lemieux

Oakton VA

Daniel J. Lemieux, AIA has led the advancement of building science in architecture throughout his over 25-year career in professional practice and as a thought-leader in the development of international technical design and construction standards.

2021 Deborah Lucking

Denver CO

Deborah Lucking reframes the case for sustainable architecture in markets and regions where climate change skepticism hinders progress. Her analysis, design modeling, and logic alter decision-making for aviation, and cultural/civic design and among her peers.

2021 John Martin

Boston MA

John Martin, AIA, is a leader in the design of student life facilities throughout the United States. He focuses on creating sustainable, engaging spaces to benefit both on-campus and off-campus communities at colleges and universities.

2021 Jon Niemuth

Kansas City MO

Jon Niemuth changed the sports architecture practice through a project delivery methodology integrating disparate elements of market-specific feasibility, finance, cost, and design into a holistic delivery model for fiscally sustainable projects with impactful user experiences.

2021 David Peabody

Alexandria VA

David Peabody pioneers passive and zero-energy building in the United States. Through practice, advocacy and collaboration, he advances the design profession's leadership in the transition to an economy built on connected, energy-positive buildings.

2021 Donald Powell

Dallas TX

Don Powell is an international thought leader in corporate and commercial office design who challenges conventions, elevates sustainability through the application of timeless design principles, and educates fellow designers and real estate decision-makers.

2021 Uma Ramanathan

Lexington MA

Uma's foresight into healthcare planning has impacted the care delivery models and outcomes of the world's leading pediatric organizations by pioneering contemporary family-centered care environments devoted to holistic healing and future generations.

2021 Rick Schneider

Washington DC

Rick Schneider leads communities to a more resilient future with bold work that emulates the regenerative cycles of nature. A nationally recognized advocate, educator, and innovator, he advances a model of sustainable practice for architects.

2021 Rael Slutsky

Lake Forest IL

Internationally recognized and award-winning renderer, Past-President American Society of Architectural Illustrators (ASAI), Rael Slutsky has collaborated with architects on projects and competitions worldwide, elevating professional standards for AIA members through lectures, seminars, exhibits and publications.

2021 Fernando Villa

New York NY

In his dedication to elevating standards for the affordable and supportive housing Fernando Villa has brought aesthetic achievement and environmentally sustainable design to mission-driven projects empowering residents and challenging the stigma of this building typology

2021 David Wallance

Brooklyn NY

David Wallance's advancement of facade technology has enabled the realization of award-winning architecture, and his innovative next-generation system of modular architecture provides essential tools for solving the problem of affordable and equitable housing.

2020 Lawrence "Murphy" V. Antoine

Washington DC

Murphy Antoine's exemplary national practice answers an urgent call for affordable housing at both the scale of the home and neighborhood. His community-based work transforms place, elevates lives, and champions social justice.

2020 Catherine Baker

Chicago IL

Through a unique synthesis of leadership, advocacy, education, and thoughtful design, Catherine Baker has expanded the conventional boundaries of practice to generate positive change for challenged communities and to champion equity in the profession.

2020 James R. Braddock

New York NY

Jim has elevated the design of laboratories and other complex spaces. His work is recognized for synthesizing technical requirements with human needs and aspirations, and for creating state-of-the-art laboratories that are a joy to use.

2020 Susannah C. Drake

Brooklyn NY

Susannah Drake is at the forefront of interdisciplinary design and advocacy. Leadership of professional and community organizations, award-winning research-based practice, groundbreaking exhibitions, publications and teaching typify her activist role in addressing climate change through design.

2020 Christopher Eseman (best example)

Seattle WA

Chris Eseman, AIA has transformed convention center design, creating iconic places that engage visitors in the urban landscape, enrich civic life, invigorate neighborhoods, and connect convention delegates with the community.

2020 H. Randolph Holmes

Midlothian VA

H. Randolph Holmes is an artist and historian, both visionary and curatorial. Long admired for his dedication to honoring the finer attributes of architectural classicism, Randy creates environments and spaces that elevate the human spirit.

2020 John J. Ida

Honolulu HI

Through his practice, John Ida cultivates future design leaders who share his commitment to urban integrity and modern, sustainable architecture that honors past, present, traditional, and contemporary form, equally attentive to technical and aesthetic excellence.

2020 Kenneth J. Jandura

Reston VA

Influencing national and international courthouse architecture, Kenneth Jandura heightens the awareness of trauma-informed design, advances evidence-base practice, and expresses transparency in justice that improves the well-being, safety and positive outcomes of individuals in society today.

2020 Richard K. Johnson

Coppell TX

Richard K. Johnson has championed an authentic responsible approach to the environment through exemplary professional practice, service outreach, and educational advocacy. His sustainable design leadership has elevated firm practice, reputation and influence.

2020 John E. Kaliski

Los Angeles CA

John Kaliski is an urban design leader whose writings, teaching, public and private practice, service, and civic engagement advance participatory design practices locally, nationally, and internationally while elevating community-based design to transform Southern California cities.

2020 Calvin Kam

Dublin CA

A visionary, educator and entrepreneur -- who promotes and advances industry transformation -- optimizing value, quality and resiliency of the global built environment through research, education, policy, practical implementation and technology development.

2020 Gregory Mare

Grove City OH

Greg Mare, AIA has transformed the healthcare design industry through his focus on Lean Design Principles, Patient and Family Experience, and an Evidence-based Design Process

2020 Neal S. Matsuno

Santa Monica CA

Through evidence-based practice, Neal Matsuno's work proves how design of the built environment positively impacts people's lives. Collaborating with leading social scientists, he leads a holistic project approach to sustainability, health, wellness, diversity and inclusion.

2020 Angela Mazzi

Cincinnati OH

Angela Mazzi, AIA advances healthcare practice technically based on salutogenic measures. She developed and shares evidence-based processes that evolved standards for healthcare research and design while advocating to improve the relationship between experience and environment.

2020 Margaret S. Parsons

Minneapolis MN

Meg Parsons' groundbreaking community engagement and educational facility planning approach creates inventive, successful school designs inspiring new educational delivery methods across the country, as she also leads positive national change in architectural education and licensing.

2020 Mark Quattrocchi, AIA

Santa Rosa CA

Mark's career passion is designing educational environments. For over 30-years of creating spaces where children and young adults learn, Mark has contributed immensely to society by lifting up students and supporting those who teach them.

2020 Gregory L. Rutledge

Norfolk VA

Gregory Rutledge is recognized by clients, peers and international colleagues not only for his design philosophy and technical expertise in preservation, but for the power of his projects to contribute to and revitalize communities.

2020 Mark Arthur Schmieding

Chicago IL

Mark Schmieding has been a pioneer in architectural computing his entire career, first realizing the potential of computers in architecture, then developing BIM to transform the industry, and always sharing this knowledge with the industry.

2020 David L. Schrader

Malvern PA

David Schrader creates exemplary, resilient architecture in the public interest. He engages communities and students in participatory design, and inspires colleagues and allied professionals to strengthen communities with effective facilities for learning and public safety.

2020 Alyson Steele

Washington DC

Alyson Steele revitalizes the Nation's cultural institutions and landmarks for 21st century audiences. She incorporates state-of-the-art infrastructure and information management to renew the relevance and resilience of community places for future generations.

2020 Terence Sullivan

Columbus OH

Terence Sullivan, AIA Emeritus, unites architecture and systems by creating a national collaborative dialogue between architects and engineers. He is teaching his innovative technique to seasoned professionals and students, resulting in award-winning, sustainable historic buildings.

2020 Marc Teer

Park Ridge IL

Marc Teer translates experience in practice into programs that answer today's needs for architectural training. Through his development of Black Spectacles, he positions technology users to empower practice, creates new training resources, and accelerates licensure.

2020 Daniel C. White

Villa Park IL

Daniel White has dedicated his 37-year career to re-inventing US healthcare environments through patient-focused design, producing first of their kind typologies and sharing his knowledge nationally and internationally.

2020 Mark A Williams

Dallas TX

Mark A. Williams is leading the profession in transforming and redefining amateur and professional sports and entertainment venues. His global impact shaping our communities has created enhanced programs, broader experiences and deeper memories.

2020 Stephen Yablon

New York NY

Stephen Yablon has had a national impact in the design of community healthcare facilities, as well as other projects for the underserved, by bringing design excellence and refinement to these often overlooked facilities.

2019 Mara Baum

San Francisco CA

Mara Baum is a nationally recognized leader in accelerating design for health and well-being. She is transforming the way the healthcare industry approaches design, leading that sector towards a more sustainable future.

2019 Janette S. Blackburn

Boston MA

Janette Blackburn has pioneered the dramatic shift in academic library architecture—from information repository to user-focused, interactive knowledge hub—developing new paradigms for innovative programs that advance strategic goals and transform campus culture.

2019 Peter A. Brown

Dallas TX

Peter Brown creates meaningful learning environments that engage and inspire the world's next generations of learners and leaders. Peter's work leads the way in transforming K-12 schools through innovative planning and learner-centered design.

2019 Michael Burch (best example)

La Canada Flintridge CA

Michael Burch is recognized internationally as a master of the Spanish Colonial/Mediterranean Revival idiom. His work honors and extends the tradition, raising both public and professional expectations.

2019 Manoj V. Dalaya

Washington DC

Manoj Dalaya redefines workplaces for the foremost organizations in national defense and intelligence. His high-performance, fortified spaces embrace art, environment, and community, making our sentinels more effective and America more secure.

2019 Wyatt J. Frantom

Los Angeles CA

Wyatt Frantom creates architecture at the confluence of performance-driven rigor, intentional collaboration, and an uncompromisingly progressive design ethic to create practice-advancing work that communicates the value of design for a committed and profoundly impactful profession.

2019 Pete E. Garrett

Houston TX

Pete Ed Garrett refined the art of designing engaging assembly spaces that foster a strong speaker/audience relationship. Through research, innovative technical solutions, and mentoring he has advanced the profession and assembly space design.

2019 John P. Gering

Garden City NY

John Gering pioneered the integration of design with advanced technologies in high performance communications environments. Through his leadership at HLW and partnerships with his peers, he has imparted his knowledge to architects worldwide.

2019 Tushar Gupta

Houston TX

Tushar Gupta has committed his design talent and passion toward creating a new generation of health facilities—empathetic, life-enhancing environments. An inspiring leader, he influences the profession nationally, shaping the discourse on design for health.

2019 John H. Harrison

Seattle WA

John Harrison is leading the world to a more sustainable future by elevating the portfolio performance of significant brands, resetting sustainable norms at an unprecedented global scale, and serving the profession through powerful environmental advocacy.

2019 William E. Johnson

Kansas City MO

Bill Johnson has redefined sports design. His legacy buildings enrich cities, communities and people. His designs are synonymous with innovation and celebrate the vitality of place, melding sport and culture to elevate the human experience.

2019 Michael S. Martin

Culver City CA

Michael Martin continually challenges accepted practices through technically innovative, sustainable and precedent-setting planning and building design. His national and international work advances unique models for learning and research that redefine traditional patterns and policies.

2019 Louis A. Meilink

Philadelphia PA

Louis A. Meilink Jr., AIA, ACHA, ACHE is advancing architectural practice and design for healthcare through critical investigation, by partnering with clients to design quality and innovative built environments, and through knowledge sharing.

2019 Julia F. Monk

New York NY

International hoteliers recognize Julia Monk as an industry pioneer. She created a global brand known equally for its award-winning expertise in architecture and interior design. Today she continues to challenge the hospitality design status quo.

2019 Jack Poling

Minneapolis MN

The public libraries Jack Poling has designed have improved countless lives. He has focused his career on creating transformative places that push the boundaries of library science, anchor communities, and inspire intellectual curiosity and wonder.

2019 Bradford J. Prestbo

Lexington MA

An exceptional leader, Bradford Prestbo is advancing the profession through his practice, advocacy, and educational efforts for the use of cutting-edge design technologies, high-performance design, and the incorporation of maker culture into the design process.

2019 Richard K. Renner

Sherborn MA

Leading by example for over twenty-five years, Richard Renner has raised the profession's understanding of the goals, process, and technical details for designing expressive, energy efficient, and environmentally responsible buildings in the Northeast.

2019 Mark L. Schatz

Houston TX

Mark Schatz champions the possibilities of distilled design, reframing the question of how we can live successfully in small spaces and forging a path for humanistic architecture that reallocates resources and fosters more purposeful dwelling.

2019 James G. Spencer

Pasadena CA

Serving Colleges-Changing Lives, James Spencer AIA traveled the length and breadth of California as a crusader for master planning at California's Community Colleges – bringing higher education and job skills to its vast underprivileged population.

2019 Dennis Wedlick

Hudson NY

Dennis Wedlick has refined the custom single-family home practice as a creative laboratory for eco-friendly design. He disseminates the attributes of sustainability and builds coalitions to use green architecture for the greater good.

2019 Jan C. Willemse

Portland OR

Jan Willemse has elevated a new generation of practice through high-performance projects founded in research-based design and rigorous resource stewardship, while continuously sharing vital knowledge with peers, aspiring designers and essential stakeholder communities.

2019 William K. Wilson

Portland OR

William Wilson has established higher and broadly adopted design standards in affordable housing for vulnerable populations by taking projects beyond shelter to create community and improving the urban environment by their inclusion.

2019 Robert Yohe

Orlando FL

Bob Yohe has dedicated his career to successfully elevating the quality of Military Healthcare Planning by creatively infusing "Patient-Centered Care" into the Military Health System for the benefit of our servicemen and servicewomen.

2018 Jennifer Aliber

Boston MA

Jennifer Aliber has changed the quality of healthcare on a national level, revolutionizing the way hospitals are organized and improving care delivery by challenging practice norms to set new standards in programming and planning.

2018 Larry Barr

Washington DC

Larry Barr, a national leader in the transformation of America's most iconic buildings and sites, balances contemporary mandates with preservation imperatives to enhance physical, intellectual, and cultural access at many of our nation's treasured places.

2018 David J. Chilinski

Cambridge MA

David Chilinski creates vibrant, human scaled places for community. He reinvents approaches to mixed-use and town centers, changes the conversations about placemaking, and inspires people to build everyday spaces worthy of our affection.

2018 Andrew M. Cupples

Los Angeles CA

A crusader for the incarcerated, Andrew Cupples has elevated the living standards and enhanced the dignity of those in the justice system through design and planning work, that benefits individuals and society at large.

2018 Martine Dion

Cambridge MA

Sustainable design leader Martine Dion advances energy efficient design and healthy materials to impact market transformation. Martine forges international outreach, and fervently trains and mentors architects, inspiring collective action towards global sustainability.

2018 Aimee Eckmann

Chicago IL

Creating impactful spaces, Aimee Eckmann transforms educational environments for future-readiness. Innovating globally in PreK-12 programming and planning, her influence through design and engagement advocates forward-thinking solutions proven to change students, teachers, and communities.

2018 Rand Ekman

Chicago IL

A deep conviction in architecture's capacity to advance the human experience drives my contributions to the practice of architecture, to public and professional advocacy for sustainable, high-performance buildings, and for industry educational advancement.

2018 Brian George

Dallas TX

Brian George created a global data center design practice, demonstrating specialized proficiency required to elevate the architect's role, fundamentally transforming industry expectations regarding architectural design leadership.

2018 Cynthia Hayward

Ann Arbor MI

Cynthia Hayward is an internationally recognized leader in predesign planning for healthcare facilities whose innovative planning approach and space planning guidelines are applied through her professional practice and disseminated throughout the profession and healthcare industry.

2018 Laura Heim

Sunnyside NY

Laura Heim advances restoration standards in historic neighborhoods by sensitively inserting contemporary programs and design into older buildings, transforming and extending the relevance of historic fabric, resulting in restored sustainable communities.

2018 Jonathan Humble

West Hartford CT

Jonathan Humbles' career is dedicated to advancing building and life safety science through his leadership in the development of our national model codes and standards, and through education outreach to the design profession.

2018 Mindy Lehrman Cameron

Seattle WA

Mindy Lehrman Cameron is a trailblazer in interpretive educational design for sustainable resources and culture. She merges art and architecture into thought-provoking experiences, creating positive changes and inspiring people to make a better world.

2018 Ismael Leyva

New York NY

Ismael Leyva's dynamic work has elevated the design of residential projects in New York City, aligning singularly innovative and contextually responsive solutions with real-world challenges of difficult sites, market demands, financial constraints, and entrenched regulations.

2018 Ronnie McGhee

Washington DC

Ronnie McGhee, a dedicated champion for disadvantaged neighborhoods, transforms communities by combining design, preservation, and public service with active civic engagement. His passionate support for education and mentorship inspires emerging professionals, empowers and changes lives.

2018 Suzanne Napier

San Francisco CA

Scientific discovery fuels Suzanne's mission to re-imagine the traditional research facility. From dark, enclosed environments to open, daylight-filled spaces, she's pushed the industry toward energy-efficient, healthy, collaborative environments that spark innovation and drive technological advancements.

2018 James A. Nicolow

Atlanta GA

Jim has committed his career to transforming the built environment through leadership and collaboration on significant deep green projects; sustainability education and advocacy, and leadership and mentorship serving as LAS's first Director of Sustainability.

2018 Christopher Noll

Berkeley CA

Christopher Noll is a leader in the community-inclusive programming and design of libraries, reimagining their role in light of changing technologies, incorporating youth voices, advancing sustainability, championing statewide needs, and supporting legislative reform.

2018 Sean O'Donnell

Washington DC

Sean O'Donnell reestablishes the urban school as the center of its community by synthesizing civic architecture, sustainable design, and innovative educational planning. Sean revolutionizes urban schools, transforming expectations of their role in educating future leaders.

2018 Kenneth Radtkey

Santa Barbara CA

Ken Radtkey poetically merges building, landscape, and sustainability - expanding the role and impact of architecture. He practices and widely promotes deeply ecological, site-sensitive design, and innovative collaboration, to advance environmental values in society and architecture.

2018 Sharon Refvem

Sunnyvale CA

Through leadership and commitment to environmental best practices, Sharon Refvem, AIA, LEED Fellow has achieved outstanding, influential results by championing sustainable building practices –environmental, social, and financial– and fostering professional development for the next generation.

2018 J. Todd Robinson

Nashville TN

As a transformative designer, Todd has improved healthcare delivery by refocusing hospital design on the needs of patients. His understanding of staff workflow translates into visionary designs that enable caregivers to focus on patient care.

2018 Z Smith

New Orleans LA

Through his application of science-based tools, Z Smith has integrated design with sustainability and long-term project engagement. He has profoundly influenced peers and policy makers, effecting positive change in the built environment.

2018 Robert J. Svedberg

Atlanta GA

Rob Svedberg's insights into cultural, economic and technological change have transformed the convention center from a simple venue for exhibitions into a flexible platform for face-to-face experiences that represent and enrich cities around the world.

2018 Eric Tomich

San Francisco CA

Eric Tomich has advanced the practice of Architecture internationally on work executed in transformative and transitional cities and regions, with a focus on the challenges of achieving quality, craft and results on built projects.

2018 Sean Towne

San Diego CA

Sean Towne has transformed the standards for science building design through his leadership, engaged process and architectural collaborations. His technical knowledge and design influence has been instrumental in creating next generation environments for science discovery.

2018 Lois Vitt Sale (best example)

Darien IL

As one of the first generation of sustainable design experts, Lois Vitt Sale has inspired thousands about the critical importance of sustainability in her professional practice, and by teaching, speaking, writing, and policy work.

2018 Angela E. Watson

Boston MA

Angela Watson connects research, teaching and practice to engage people in a collaborative process that elevates the recognized value of design. She empowers clients and emerging leaders to push beyond perceived boundaries.

2018 Ellen Watts

Boston MA

Dedicated to climate action through design excellence, Ellen Watts has advanced net zero and high performance buildings as well as climate resiliency through award-winning architecture, inspiring leadership and broad knowledge-sharing.

2018 David West

New York NY

David West has played a seminal role in the advancement of housing design and the high-rise, apartment-building typology in New York City, establishing national and international models for urban housing.

2018 Dawn Zuber

Plymouth MI

Dawn Zuber is a voice for residential architects in the AIA, promoting the idea that architects are valuable and accessible to homeowners. She exemplifies how architects improve the built environment on a personal level.

2017 Marcia Ascanio

Dallas TX

Marcia Ascanio raises the bar for the architectural industry through her leadership in delivering unparalleled technical proficiency, setting high standards in quality management and technical education, and developing emerging architects through instrumental mentorships worldwide.

2017 Martha L. Ball

Los Angeles CA

Martha Ball is a leader in the transformation of higher education environments and the practice of architecture, by advancing inclusive practices in building design, in the design process and in the profession itself.

2017 Navy F. Banvard

Santa Monica CA

Navy Banvard, AIA has alleviated a national housing crisis by creating access to nearly 200,000 new homes through breakthroughs in affordability. His pioneering site analytics and hybrid construction innovations have been adopted by architects nationwide.

2017 William Anthony Blanski

Minneapolis MN

Through his passionate leadership and unique perspective, Bill Blanski has advanced excellence in architecture across the country by providing beautiful and functional solutions for the complex and diverse communities he serves.

2017 Jeff Bone

Chicago IL

An innovative leader and hands-on champion of affordable housing, Jeff Bone raises design standards and engages community members to co-create inventive, inviting, sustainable spaces and places that transform lives, revitalize urban neighborhoods, and regenerate cities.

2017 Thomas A. Butcavage

Washington DC

Thomas Butcavage creates award-winning academic buildings and law schools that engage and inspire students. His innovative work and influential thought leadership connect communities and demonstrate the power of architecture to advance learning.

2017 Sheila F. Cahnman

Wilmette IL

Sheila Cahnman champions healthcare innovation worldwide through prolific advocacy and significant architectural design, influencing a new generation and creating environments that improve patient experience, clinical outcomes and operational efficiency.

2017 John A. Cetra

New York NY

Over a 35-year career and since co-founding his own firm in 1987, John Cetra has assembled and led a design practice dedicated to the transformation of urban multifamily housing and residential architecture.

2017 Richard D. D'Amato

Irvine CA

Richard D'Amato has devoted his career to creating sustainable public facilities that inform users and visitors alike about the environment and local history, with narratives that focus on the genius of place.

2017 Donald R. Dethlefs, Jr.

Denver CO

Don Dethlefs is a national and international expert in the development of sporting, recreation and assembly buildings. Across 35 years of practice, he has redefined the typology and set innovative standards for design and construction.

2017 David E. Eckmann

Downers Grove IL

Both an architect and a structural engineer, David Eckmann practices and promotes the bold integration of these disciplines, profoundly influencing the profession through world-class projects, industry leadership, and international sharing of knowledge.

2017 Michael Epp

Boston/Cambridge MA

Michael Epp uses each project as an opportunity to connect community to place and spirit. His process focuses on solutions rooted in humanity, finding the majestic in the modest, and the joy in the unexpected.

2017 Jocelyn Lum Frederick

Cambridge MA

Jocelyn Frederick advances best practices for delivering high-quality healthcare internationally. Her planning techniques distill disparate needs into transformative environments optimizing patient and staff satisfaction, reducing operating costs, and planning for the next generation of care.

2017 Leslie Gartner

Atlanta GA

Leslie Gartner designs high containment laboratories that focus on the science of discovery. As a global expert he is evolving BSL4 containment design worldwide that is functional, meets stringent technical requirements and inspires innovative science.

2017 Reb Haizlip

Memphis TN

Reb Haizlip harnesses the power of play to create extraordinary learning environments, informed by curiosity and motivated by discovery, to advance children's museums as change agents for education design, childhood development and community growth.

2017 Jonathan R. Kanda (best example)

Los Angeles CA

Jonathan Kanda has pioneered the architecture of the American medical school. By fully integrating the clinical and academic realms, he creates hands-on, team-based, technology-rich learning environments that profoundly enhance the education of future healthcare professionals.

2017 Andrew Labov

Los Angeles CA

Andrew Labov designs complex laboratories and building enclosures, applying rational and empirical methods, forging innovations in programming, technology and delivery, to create exceptionally humane and sustainable environments for scientific education and discovery.

2017 William (Bill) Maclay

Waitsfield VT

Bill Maclay, a pioneer of zero energy and sustainable design, has created a replicable net zero process. Through practice, advocacy, teaching, speaking, and writing, his life's work is accelerating the transition to a renewable planet.

2017 Michael Frank Malinowski

Sacramento CA

Uniting deep knowledge of building codes, a passionate commitment to architects' engagement in public policy, and an enthusiasm for communication and collaboration, Michael Malinowski has improved the landscape of building regulation, regionally and nationwide.

2017 Elisabeth Martin

New York NY

Elisabeth Martin's leadership and advocacy for public libraries is a catalyst for transformative change. Her passion has fueled discourse, inspired solutions, influenced national models and demonstrated the power of design in the public realm.

2017 Richard C. (Rik) Master

Chicago IL

Nationally recognized building science expert, Richard Master advances the design, research, and specification of technology, materials, and systems. He creates interactive, information-rich tools, and educates and leads colleagues in building safe, healthy, resilient, sustainable architecture.

2017 Stanley Max Meradith

Omaha NE

Manifest in his ballparks, stadia, and arenas, Stanley Meradith's thought leadership, design innovation, and passionate commitment have clearly elevated team, fan, and community experiences, and set new architectural standards for sports venues across the country.

2017 Dwight Mitsunaga

Honolulu HI

Dwight Mitsunaga has developed evolving and innovative alternative project delivery approaches to overcome significant logistical challenges, strengthen the profession's standing, and improve the quality of architectural projects throughout the state of Hawaii and beyond.

2017 Michael Neville

Dearborn MI

As an internationally recognized pioneer in the design of manufacturing facilities, Michael Neville has advanced the profession through groundbreaking innovations in BIM technology and collaborative delivery that bridge the knowledge between architects, owners and builders.

2017 Wesley L. Page

Norfolk VA

As architect and illustrator, Wesley Page uses his artist's hand to elevate development of the design process and product and to advocate nationally for drawing as a still critical design tool in the digital age.

2017 Edward M. Peck

Chicago IL

Through detailed collaborations as a technical façade consultant, Edward pushes the synergies between architecture and engineering creating innovative and high-performance solutions for building skins and the built environment.

2017 J. Stuart Pettitt

Clawson MI

Stuart Pettitt set a new standard for community college practice and design that transformed mundane facilities into dynamic award winning environments that support educational success.

2017 Marcela Abadi Rhoads

Dallas TX

A passionate advocate for people with disabilities, Marcela Abadi Rhoads empowers, educates, and collaborates with building industry professionals to shape environments free of physical barriers and attitudinal barriers for all.

2017 Allen D. Roberts

Salt Lake City UT

During his prolific and influential 45-year preservation architectural career, Allen Roberts has masterfully researched, written and taught about, saved, designed the restorations/renovations of, and personally renovated and revitalized a vast body of architecturally significant structures.

2017 David Louis Swartz (best example)

Los Angeles CA

David Louis Swartz, AIA advances the art and science of technical detailing and construction documentation. Through passion, leadership, advocacy and mentorship, he elevates the technical role on par with design and project management.

2017 J.J. Tang

Chicago IL

A nationally recognized leader in military architecture, J.J.'s transformational architectural practice has profoundly impacted national security. He founded a groundbreaking coalition uniting thousands of architects nationwide to promote architectural excellence at the Department of Defense.

2017 Bruce Toman

San Francisco CA

Bruce Toman AIA is an internationally recognized expert in achieving the architectural design intent of complex projects while integrating special performance requirements and innovative building technologies. He leads and mentors unique project delivery teams.

2017 L. Azeo Torre

New Orleans LA

A prolific designer of zoos and aquariums, Ace Torre combines architecture, urban design, landscape architecture and illustration to immerse and educate millions, save endangered species, and create advocacy for the world's global conservation agenda.

2017 Steven Richard Turckes

Chicago IL

An enthusiastic advocate for advancing education through design, Steven Turckes, AIA has led the development of innovative K through 12 schools by educating communities, sharing his expertise, and transforming architecture for education.

2017 Sharon Woodworth

San Francisco CA

sharon woodworth's powerful voice as patient, nurse, journalist, architect and professor has motivated architects, executives, and students worldwide to redefine healthcare environments from merely functional rooms to inspiring spaces that sustain health for all.

2016 Luis Carlos Bernardo

Baltimore MD

Through holistic and collaborative design, Luis Bernardo transformed university housing nationwide into thriving, inspirational living and learning communities rooted in context, creating a new sense of place fully integrated into campus and urban landscapes.

2016 Charles Besjak (best example)

New York NY

An architect and structural engineer, Charles Besjak practices and promotes a bold and innovative integration of these disciplines, resulting in a body of work—projects, research, and lectures—that has profoundly influenced the profession.

2016 Donald R. Blair

New York NY

Donald Blair advances healthcare design by integrating extensive expertise in medical planning and design with strategic fiscal analysis to create financially sustainable architecture that expands the capacity for scientific research and delivers improved patient care.

2016 Robert A. Bracamonte

San Francisco CA

Bob Bracamonte's design process informs and unites disciplines and experience levels. His approach integrates architecture, engineering, and design technology to influence and advance new building models and innovations for the electronics, communications and healthcare industries.

2016 James A. Brady

Austin TX

In his multi-faceted career in education as architect, planner and advocate, Jim Brady created exemplary student-centered learning environments, championed best practices and stakeholder engagement focused on learning, and transformed organizational and leadership development nationwide.

2016 Jeffrey Brown

Houston TX

Jeffrey Brown is a leading advocate for the design application of tilt wall technology. As a researcher, innovator, and practice leader, he has pioneered the construction methodology's use in award-winning and commercially successful projects.

2016 Mary Buchanan Brush

Chicago IL

Mary Brush advances the preservation of historic building envelopes using hands-on evaluation, diagnosis and problem solving. Mary's prolific dissemination of information has advanced the profession's knowledge base with the international exchange of restoration techniques.

2016 John S. Burcher

Chicago IL

John Burcher AIA, has advanced the technical practice of architecture by translating and facilitating the broader architectural vision of some of the world's most recognized and award winning projects.

2016 Jane E. Cameron

Chicago IL

Jane Cameron's expertise in delivering technically complex mixed-use projects has advanced the architectural profession, domestically and internationally. Furthermore, her exemplary leadership in national organizations and mentorship of colleagues is creating a rich legacy.

2016 Lawrence Holdren Connolly

Austin TX

Lawrence Connolly has transformed the animal shelter building type by creating facilities that support humane animal care, encourage pet adoption and teach responsible pet ownership.

2016 David Dimond

Minneapolis MN

Dave Dimond's expertise and vision leading an integrated design process on complex projects for governmental, institutional and non-profit clients has served to advance each organization's public mission through design excellence and sustainable innovation.

2016 Nicole M. Dosso

New York NY

An exceptional leader, Nicole Dosso is a gifted practitioner of the technical craft of architecture, an expert in the technical challenges of designing tall buildings on complex urban sites, and a mentor to women practitioners.

2016 William Edward Dugger III

Stuart FL

For over thirty years, William Edward Dugger III has advanced the profession of architecture through his careful attention to acoustics in the design of everyday spaces and nationally recognized public buildings, promoting awareness of sound and its importance to human interaction.

2016 Manuel G. Gonzalez

Los Angeles CA

Manny Gonzalez has profoundly shaped the future of senior housing and elevated the practice of architecture by creating more than 20,000 living environments that allow for graceful aging in place and sharing his knowledge internationally.

2016 Anne Hicks Harney (best example)

Baltimore MD

With her deep knowledge of building materials and passion for critical environmental issues, Anne Hicks Harney, AIA leads the material transparency movement both within the architectural profession and the industry at large.

2016 Paul C. Hutton

Denver CO

Paul Hutton's dedicated leadership and pioneering research into the efficacy of evidence-based sustainable practices has profoundly influenced and advanced sustainable strategies in learning environments across the globe.

2016 Steven Imrich

Cambridge MA

Leading collaborative teams at Cambridge Seven, Steven Imrich creates internationally acclaimed public spaces. He advances specialty technologies in immersive environments, and connects design, art, and technologies in inventive ways that elevate the experience of architecture.

2016 Ned S. Kirschbaum

Denver CO

Ned Kirschbaum has devoted his career to marrying his passion for architecture and engineering by studying, teaching and employing the fine art of technological invention to significantly advance the practice of architecture.

2016 Bradley Leathley

Seattle WA

Brad Leathley transforms the lives of students and faculty in advanced research settings by developing processes and planning environments that empower them to think more critically and creatively, advancing their performance and changing our world.

2016 Rebecca J. Lewis

Duluth MN

Rebecca Lewis brings nationally-recognized medical design expertise to small and isolated communities, represents AIA in creating healthcare design codes for projects across the country, and leads the profession to improve wellness in rural America.

2016 Dean Marchetto

Hoboken NJ

Dean Marchetto has dedicated his practice to transitioning aging inner cities to sustainable mixed-use neighborhoods; his work has shaped the modern cityscape of Hoboken, creating a living example for urban growth.

2016 Paula Burns McEvoy

Atlanta GA

Paula McEvoy's dedication to producing and sharing knowledge forged a global pathway for healthful, high-performance buildings. Her service to the profession, leadership in sustainability and transparency enhanced design at Perkins+Will and throughout the building industry.

2016 Kevin Ratigan

Winter Park FL

Kevin Ratigan has transformed the paradigm of Public Safety Architecture. Leading a multi-disciplinary, collaborative process, that advocates socially sustainable facilities, he has created community based solutions that enhance the mission "To Protect and Serve".

2016 David J. Segmiller

Charlotte NC

David Segmiller has transformed senior living architecture from nondescript, institutional style buildings to communities and environments that have substantially improved the quality of life for seniors; through client/peer education, industry leadership and resident focused design.

2016 Douglas Ashley Tilden

New York NY

Combining design, managerial, and political leadership, Doug has improved the lives of millions worldwide by creating a legacy of rail-transit mega-projects that exceeds aesthetic and operational considerations to achieve unique expressions of culture and place.

2016 Susan Doreen Turner

Chicago IL

Through Investigation, Innovation and Dissemination, Susan Doreen Turner positions historic buildings as "Renewable Resources For Our Age." Her problem solving methodology, pioneering solutions, global lecturing and writing have created new standards in sustainable preservation.

2016 Ronald Jan van der Veen

Seattle WA

A national leader dedicated to advancing design innovation and sustainability, Ron van der Veen's focus on higher education housing and residential life has enriched the social and academic experience of students around the country.

2016 James Voelzke

Washington DC

Jim Voelzke catalyzes dramatic neighborhood transformations by bringing food back to the city. He proves that thoughtful design of modern retail can transform place, make communities more livable, and enhance sustainable lifestyles for all generations.

2016 Gregory T. Waugh

New York NY

A proven technical leader, Gregory Waugh has acquired a specialized skillset in the documentation and execution of complex architectural projects. Gregory displays great ingenuity at implementing technical innovations with expertise in integrated project delivery.

2015 David Alpert

San Francisco CA

David Alpert contributes significantly to the architecture profession and advances the practice of healthcare architecture, through innovative planning and design work, mentor-ship of emerging professionals, and active leadership of dialog between architects and industry leaders.

2015 Brodie A. Bain

Seattle WA

Brodie has transformed the breadth of architectural practice through leadership in mission-focused and strategically-driven campus planning. Her work helps educational institutions throughout the country by using integrated methods to achieve place-based, user-centered and sustainable solutions.

2015 Glenn E. Bauer (best example)

San Francisco CA

Glenn Bauer's inspirational corporate campuses and research facilities have defined the way many of the world's leading technology companies and science-based organizations work, collaborate, and adapt to the next generation of innovators.

2015 Steven Scott Cook

Chicago IL

Steven Cook's unique blend of design talent and technical knowledge, coupled with close engineering collaboration, has led to innovative, sustainable building strategies that have created healthier and more enjoyable environments for work and living.

2015 David M. Diamond

San Francisco CA

David M. Diamond, AIA has advanced the practice of building realization by holistically integrating multidisciplinary technical systems with the art of design and the craft of building via a process of collaborative problem solving.

2015 Nathan Good

Portland OR

Through his innovative designs, groundbreaking advocacy and highly regarded presentations and publications, Nathan Good has been a driving force behind the rapid evolution of sustainable architecture.

2015 William J. Hercules (best example)

Orlando FL

William Hercules contributes to the transformation of architectural practice nationally by pioneering, advocating, and deploying rigorous, collaborative processes and multi-disciplinary research resulting in truly innovative, high performing, award winning, patient-centric architecture.

2015 Thomas E. Johnson

Washington DC

Tom Johnson leads citizens and colleagues in the restoration and transformation of historic cultural facilities. Through national advocacy and local engagement, he demonstrates and advances architecture's power to revitalize our communities and America's landmarks.

2015 Christ J. Kamages

San Rafael CA

Christ Kamages, through his life-long devotion to design for Orthodox faith throughout America, mobilizes the power of traditional architecture, Illuminated with art and sculpture, to formalize, nurture and ennoble enduring rituals of worship and community.

2015 Stephen J. Kelley

Chicago IL

Stephen Kelley leads the industry in the restoration of landmarks. He excels in the diagnosis of building problems. His practice has expanded onto the international stage, and he shares his knowledge through publications and teaching.

2015 Janis Kent

Long Beach CA

Janis Kent, a national and global leader in Accessible Design, has pioneered barrier-free design and the broader implementation of Accessible environments by thousands of architects, through her presentations, prolific writing, teaching, regulatory advocacy, and consulting.

2015 Nathan Kipnis

Evanston IL

Nathan Kipnis has advanced the sustainable practice of architecture through extensive local and national public advocacy. He has provided leadership for a wide range of environmental issues, while simultaneously creating coherent, climatically influenced architectural designs.

2015 Arnie Lerner

San Francisco CA

Arnie Lerner has consistently advanced the practice of architecture as a community partner by providing for the needs of low income and disabled citizens within the context of historic preservation.

2015 Rosemary A. McMonigal (best example)

Minneapolis MN

Rosemary McMonigal widely promotes the idea that architects add efficiency, beauty, and lasting value in residential design. She advances the profession and strengthens its image through project-based research, technical innovation, and public outreach.

2015 Burcin Atay Moehring

Chicago IL

Burcin A. Moehring, AIA, has dedicated her career to thoughtfully planning and designing science environments; providing leadership that benefits the architecture profession; and redefining standards and best practices.

2015 Scott Newman

New York NY

Scott Newman, AIA, has created and led a practice that has advanced the quality of museum architecture through tailored planning and purposeful design.

2015 Jeff Olson

Denver CO

Jeff Olson is a master of innovative technological and material solutions. Using applied physics he has pushed the boundaries on numerous complicated projects in order to create outstanding architecture.

2015 Joyce Polhamus

San Francisco CA

Committed to a more beautiful, comfortable, healthy, and joyful lifestyle for our elders, Joyce Polhamus's work has introduced: new creative design solutions, successful national advocacy programs, effective knowledge sharing/building efforts and influential international exemplars.

2015 Alicia Ravetto

Pittsboro NC

Alicia Ravetto has advanced the global practice of bioclimatic architecture. Her work improves the built environment and contributes to the betterment of communities and the lives of individuals across all socioeconomic levels.

2015 Robert J. Schaeffner

Boston MA

Bob Schaeffner's 33 years of prototypical and distinguished architecture have profoundly influenced the academic science practice, anticipating pedagogical changes and the need for interdisciplinary research while establishing new standards for sustainability and design excellence.

2015 William J. Schmalz

Los Angeles CA

William Schmalz, AIA, is a global expert in the delivery and enhanced performance of complex, technically challenging buildings. His expertise, research, teaching, writing, and mentorship have advanced the profession internationally.

2015 Steven M. Shiver

Seattle WA

Steve Shiver has profoundly influenced student learning and achievement by creating internationally recognized school facilities through a highly collaborative planning process supported by evidence-based design.

2015 Joel A. Tomei

San Francisco CA

Joel Tomei, AIA successfully harnesses his mastery of the technical imperatives of major urban planning projects, integrating large-scale systems, especially transportation infrastructure, in ways that ensure the preservation and enhancement of the pedestrian environment.

2015 Charles Leroy Travis, III

Charlotte NC

Chuck Travis has advanced the practice of architecture as an elected official, policy maker, leader in the profession, and designer of new construction systems and building strategies for housing, resulting in vibrant and livable comminities.

2015 Stephen A. Weinryb (best example)

New York NY

Stephen Weinryb is a leader with unique talents and experience in the execution of complex projects. His focus has been to ensure technical innovation ranging from code development, constructability, and execution of multifaceted design elements.

2014 Allison Hoadley Anderson

Bay Saint Louis MS

Allison Anderson is recognized for civic projects which are carefully crafted and inherently defensible against climate challenges. After Hurricane Katrina devastated her community, designs for recovery focused attention on sustainability, adaptation, and resilience.

2014 Richard S. Bacon

Clearwater FL

Through his facility design and education of architects and others, Richard Bacon has advanced the architectural design of animal shelters transforming inhumane animal impounds into true animal resource centers for the communities they serve.

2014 Anthony S. Barnes

Washington DC

Anthony Barnes creates timeless architecture that honors the past while meeting the needs of the future. His acclaimed work stands as a model for how the profession can successfully combine history, craftsmanship and building technology.

2014 Michael J. Bjornberg

Minneapolis MN

Michael Bjornberg's passion, commitment and drive for excellence helps preserve major historic resources, as demonstrated by his leadership in design and construction, his mentorship and teaching, and his organizational leadership and public engagement.

2014 Charles F. Bloszies

San Francisco CA

Through practice innovation, teaching, book publication, and public speaking, Charles Bloszies is a catalyst for contemporary, sustainable adaptive reuse of historic structures in complex settings. His exemplary projects deftly integrate architecture, engineering, and public process.

2014 Nestor Bottino

New York NY

Nestor Bottino advances the art of building by creating rich, innovative, cultural architecture and advances, with his fellow professionals and university students, the science of the practice through national advocacy for architecture of cultural importance.

2014 Jonathan Boyer

Chicago IL

For over 40 years, before LEED and the LBC existed, Jonathan Boyer was demonstrating through award-winning design, historic preservation and education that all architecture in the United States can and should be highly sustainable.

2014 Alan Bright

San Francisco CA

Alan Bright, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, is improving the practice of architecture by leading teams through an integrated design process that creates high-performance, sustainable, affordable and beautiful buildings.

2014 Angela Brooks

Los Angeles CA

Through pioneering built work, leadership and advocacy, Angie Brooks has demonstrated the importance of merging design, sustainability and social justice. She has inspired her peers and policymakers, affecting positive change in our built environment.

2014 Jeffrey Blaine Brown

Houston TX

Jeffrey Brown's most widely recognized innovation and contribution to advancing the profession is his Research, Integration into practice, and Innovation of the architectural potential of a "low-cost", low-tech method of construction, Tilt Wall Construction.

2014 Gabrielle A Bullock

Los Angeles CA

Gabrielle Bullock is an innovator in management, and leadership who's contributions to society enrich lives through socially responsible architecture, advancing healthcare and education. She is a visible role model, mentor and advocate for diversity.

2014 John Mason Caldwell

Long Beach CA

John Caldwell's model practice created task oriented working environments increasing the sustainability and productivity of Container Terminals in one of the worlds leading Ports serving as a model for ports worldwide.

2014 Myriam E. Camargo

Dallas TX

Through both her own practice and community involvement, Myriam Camargo demonstrates the capacity of architects and architecture to effect social equity and justice, positively impacting our communities.

2014 Gregory Chang

Gaithersburg MD

Gregory Chang has positively advanced healthcare architecture at a global level with an innovative approach to creating sustainable, process optimized and flexible healing designs that profoundly improve both healthcare outcomes and quality of life.

2014 James T. (Tom) Clark, Jr.

Portland OR

Tom Clark has advanced healthcare architecture through transformative reseach-based innovation, life-enhancing architecture of care, and leading a national discourse among healthcare architects. Tom's work benefits patient experience, operational effectiveness, and clinical outcomes nationally.

2014 Charles W. Cole, Jr.

Orlando FL

Chuck Cole is a tireless advocate and catalyst for elevating the quality of healthcare architecture. His passion for innovative design solutions that respect patients, staff and families resulted in pioneering projects that changed the profession.

2014 John N. Cryer III

Houston TX

John Cryer, AIA, is an innovative practice leader who has influenced the profession by building dynamic organizations, creating new competitive services, applying strategic practice models and sharing his expertise with new generations of architects.

2014 Scott L. Danielson

San Francisco CA

Scott Danielson transforms civil structures into civic sculptures through his designs for transportation infrastructure that improve circulation and the experience of travel, while expressing global communities' cultural and aesthetic values and respecting their environment.

2014 Carl J D'Silva

Chicago IL

Throughout his career, Carl D'Silva has balanced creative Design talents with cutting-edge Technical knowledge, to resolve challenging programmatic, detailing, and construction issues, and deliver signature, award-winning buildings around the world.

2014 Isabelle Lucienne Duvivier

Venice CA

Isabelle Duvivier pioneered the integration of water resources and architecture. Her accomplishments in sustainable building design, mapping, watershed and wetland conservation, and graphic representation advance the professional/public conversation and understanding of environmental and water resources.

2014 Kenneth I. Fisher

Boston MA

Through significant contributions in professional practice, advocacy, and public service Ken leads the profession, government and industry organizations to advance green building practices and sustainable design for the benefit of communities everywhere.

2014 Robert Forest

Chicago IL

Bob Forest excels in the 21st century global arena, managing complex projects while bridging cultures, building interdisciplinary teams while balancing budgets, and driving measurable decarbonization as the best evidence of groundbreaking architectural and urban design.

2014 Norman M. Garden

Los Angeles CA

Global practitioner, mentor, educator and civil servant, Norman Garden combines rationalist urbanism with commercial pragmatism. He has advocated the practice of regenerating urban cores through his innovative, vertically integrated mixed-use buildings.

2014 Fanny T. Gong

New York NY

Fanny is an exceptional leader in the architectural profession, well-respected for her unique design management of large-scale complex academic and global financial projects and for advancing the professional development of young architects.

2014 Christoffer A. Graae

Washington DC

Christoffer Graae's vision, bold leadership and design sensitivity raises the national bar for design of educational facilities, exemplifying how the profession can significantly influence learning outcomes by creating innovative, sustainable and inspiring places for learning.

2014 Randy Hafer

Billings MT

Randy Hafer has catalyzed urban revitalization in communities across the region by combining a vision for unlikely possibilities with a unique blend of high performance design, historic rehabilitation, cost efficient construction, and inventive funding mechanisms.

2014 Vano Haritunians

Los Angeles CA

Vano Haritunians, Internationally recognized for integrating complex architectural compositions into fabrication and construction, devised programs to dissolve previous design barriers that inhibit creative expressions by applying pioneering technologies to transform multi-dimensional theory into physical form.

2014 Lance Hosey

Washington DC

Through exceptional advocacy, service, and design, Lance Hosey has become a leading voice for sustainable innovation.

2014 Robert A. Jernigan

Los Angeles CA

Rob Jernigan's interconnected talents as a trusted advisor, champion of design and delivery, management visionary, and next-generation mentor enable him to propel clients and the profession to new heights of design excellence and innovation.

2014 Don M. Jones

Philadelphia PA

Don M. Jones AIA has shown exemplary dedication to architectural practice: developing nationally recognized collaborative design practices culminating in key roles on national projects, as an educator, and in service to the profession.

2014 Paul F. Knell

Pittsburgh PA

Paul Knell has inspired the institution of higher education to raise the design quality of student life centers through innovative planning, progressive advocacy, design leadership, and inclusive collaboration with the university community.

2014 Albert W. Lindeke III

Saint Paul MN

Albert Lindeke is a national leader in church design. From the nation's oldest cathedral to contemporary spaces, Lindeke orchestrates space, diverse art forms and technical disciplines to foster timeless worship experiences for modern life.

2014 Gary F. Martinez

Washington DC

Nationally recognized for creating and restoring landmark theaters, Gary Martinez leads stakeholders and fellow professionals as he unlocks the social and economic power of cultural venues to heal urban neighborhoods.

2014 Richard Munson Miller

Dallas TX

Richard Miller advances the full spectrum of higher education architecture by combining his holistic campus approach of student-centered, environmentally responsible facility design and by his shaping of the national dialogue through speaking and outreach.

2014 Margaret Montgomery

Seattle WA

As a national sustainable practice leader, Margaret Montgomery has devoted her career to creating healthy places that reunite people with nature and leads work that has far-reaching impact, improving building performance and ecosystem vitality.

2014 Christopher Morrison

Washington DC

Chris Morrison is an inspirational, collaborative leader who strengthens the profession by building bridges with allied organizations, while driving a practice nationally recognized for design excellence and rooted in sustainability, community engagement, and mentorship.

2014 Robert R. Murrin

Los Angeles CA

Through evolutionary programming, innovation in user engagement, and award-winning projects, Bob Murrin has transformed the architecture of higher education, creating new standards and best practices, promoting social interaction, and advancing the actual process of education.

2014 Marianne O'Brien

San Francisco CA

As an architect who has unrelentingly tested and embraced exploration of alternative delivery methodologies, Marianne O'Brien has been a strong advocate for practice improvement and collaborative project delivery, mentoring others and inspiring change.

2014 Gary Gene Olp

Dallas TX

For more than 30 years, through his innovative architectural practice, teaching and persistent advocacy, Gary Gene Olp has influenced architects, government leaders, and individuals to establish sustainability as a core focus of today's architectural practice.

2014 Curtis Owyang

Sacramento CA

A leading advocate for sustainability, Curtis Owyang, AIA collaborates with clients to set new standards for cost-effective, marketable sustainable design solutions, including the groundbreaking "Guns to Rebar" recycling program and innovative, energy efficient structural systems.

2014 Ralph Douglas Parris

Columbus OH

An innovator of Integrated Project Delivery and other design and delivery methodologies, Doug Parris' emphasis on devising systematic practices increases efficiency, bolsters collaboration and delivers transformational environments for domestic and international healthcare and learning institutions.

2014 Jack Portman

Atlanta GA

Jack Portman has served as an ambassador for American architects in China for over 30 years, pioneering a successful approach to practicing internationally and becoming the preeminent expert for information about the Asian market.

2014 Sian Roberts

Seattle WA

Throughout her career, Sian Roberts has explored and furthered an integrated approach to architectural practice. Her work consistently demonstrates that design excellence is best achieved through a cooperative, interdisciplinary process.

2014 Wendy Sullock Rogers

Irvine CA

Over the course of her twenty-seven-year career, Wendy Rogers has designed, shared, and promoted innovative, high-performance learning environments for grades K through 12.

2014 Molly M. Scanlon

San Diego CA

Molly Scanlon's practice of healthcare design continues to transform the built environment into places of encouragement that improve the patient healing process, educates the healthcare industry, and demonstrates to society the benefits of healing environments.

2014 Steven K. Sobel

San Francisco CA

Steven Sobel has advanced collaborative management practices to expedite the delivery of exceptionally complex projects. His leadership coheres teams and stakeholders to resolve challenges, positively influencing a new generation of architects, owners, consultants and builders.

2014 Dennis E. Stallings

Raleigh NC

Dennis Stallings has advanced the architectural profession at the intersection between design practice and architectural education, building a foundation for critical thinking in the design studio and leading by example with his built work.

2014 Jonathan N. Stark

New York NY

Jonathan Stark's expertise in creating complex institutional facilities that are exceptionally well-planned, culturally sensitive, and user-friendly has significantly advanced his clients' missions, social commitments, and civic responsibilities in the United States and abroad.

2014 Bryan Kerr Trubey

Dallas TX

Bryan Trubey's extraordinary work has redefined the practice of sports and entertainment architecture, bringing an innovative approach integrating art, business, technology, branding, context, and civic identity to the creation of destination environments.

2014 David Van Wyk

Glendale CA

David Van Wyk is strengthening architects' leadership of the building process on a global level by using technical and process innovation to increase efficiencies across disciplines, improve predictability, and erase boundaries between design and construction.

2014 Ernesto M. Vasquez

Santa Ana CA

Ernesto Vasquez's comprehensive approach to community redevelopment restores fractured and eroded urban residential communities, reconnecting severed neighborhoods, generating economic resilience, and renewing cultural vitality.

2014 Daniela Holt Voith

Philadelphia PA

Daniela Voith's career has been dedicated to promoting the advancement of design for educational environments. Her client-focused practice goes beyond design that supports leading edge pedagogical thought, to design that encourages mindful ways of living and learning.

2014 Michael Dean Watkins

Gaithersburg MD

Michael Watkins defined the role of Town Architect. Through excellent urban design and advocacy for the public realm--the space between buildings--Watkins' efforts have yielded beautiful, enduring and exemplary streets, blocks, neighborhoods and communities.

2014 Laura Ann Wernick

Cambridge MA

Laura Wernick advances research-based architecture in support of learning. Her collaborative process creates inspiring K-12 environments fostering creativity and critical thinking; she influences colleagues nationally and leads the profession in building strong learning communities.

2014 Ming Zhang

Bellevue WA; Shanghai, China

Ming Zhang transformed architectural practice throughout China by promoting the shift from state- to private-ownership and facilitating the adoption of Western-based project management and delivery models, paving the way for new American opportunities.

2014 Allan W. Zreet

Dallas TX

Allan is an innovator in transit-oriented design through his visionary approach to integrating transit with land use while also advocating design excellence. His comprehensive approach is positively shaping transit-oriented places in the public realm.

2013 Jay W. Barnes, III

Austin TX

Jay Barnes creates architecture that brings people together. By overcoming political and institutional reluctance on high-profile, often embattled projects, he empowers stakeholders to engage in creating places that strengthen and enrich community through their design.

2013 Matthew J. Bell

Washington DC

Matthew Bell is an international leader in the practice and teaching of urban design. His work revitalizes historic neighborhoods and sites, creating vibrant new communities and preparing the next generation for practice in urban design.

2013 Israel Berger

New York NY

Israel Berger founded a building envelope consulting firm and transformed it into a strategically vital practice, now 120 persons strong, to promote the safety, quality, and sustainability of building envelopes for major projects worldwide.

2013 Heidi L. Blau

New York NY

With teaching and learning as her principles and a passion for architecture that enables both, Heidi Blau has realized exceptional educational and cultural projects whose design excellence is matched by their transformative power.

2013 John Blumthal

Portland OR

John Blumthal has innovated across traditional role and discipline boundaries to advance project design and delivery. His leadership and advocacy of collaborative team-based practice and action has benefitted clients, project teams, the profession and community.

2013 Raymond C. Bordwell

New York NY

As an architect, planner and author, Raymond C. Bordwell has set the standard for innovation in K–12 facility design, transforming learning environments for children around the world.

2013 Carlos Brillembourg

New York NY

An architect and intellectual activist whose public service, built work and writings in the USA and Venezuela articulate the contingencies between art and architecture to promote a culture that is life-affirming and transformative for all.

2013 Thomas C. Brutting

Oakland CA

Through his leadership in senior housing, Thomas C. Brutting has strengthened the architectural profession and improved the lives of innumerable seniors by shaping high-quality buildings, educating, advocating, revising building codes and serving the community.

2013 Erich Burkhart

Marina del Rey CA

Erich Burkhart has advanced healthcare design by innovatively bringing a public health perspective to creating architectural forms that are environmentally sustainable, programmatically flexible, clinically therapeutic and provide the upmost respect for human dignity.

2013 Laurence C. Burns, Jr.

Houston TX

Acting as Architect of Record, Laurence Burns utilizes his knowledge and team leadership skills to manage muti-disciplinary consultant teams collaborating with national and international Design Architects and clients on significant museum and high-rise projects.

2013 Carrie Byles

San Francisco CA

Carrie Byles has elevated the architectural profession, establishing architects as drivers of business innovation, technological advances, and entrepreneurial collaboration, while reinforcing values of thought leadership, societal obligation, and environmental stewardship.

2013 Mario Campos

Seattle WA

Mario Campos has made significant contributions to the profession and to public understanding of place through his unique and inspired interdisciplinary practice. He shares his knowledge through extensive professional leadership, teaching, publication and civic engagement.

2013 Glenn P. Carels

Irvine CA

Glenn Carels has devoted his career to making higher education more effective through good design, by introducing better ways of nurturing student life and achievement within an environmentally conscious setting.

2013 Paul Danna

Los Angeles CA

Through his unique combination of innovative workplace design, and unwavering leadership, advocacy and service to the profession and his community, Paul Danna elevates the profession by demonstrating the value and power of architects and architecture.

2013 Jennifer K. Devlin-Herbert

San Francisco CA

Jennifer K. Devlin-Herbert, AIA, elevates the process of stakeholder engagement in design, embodying the aspirations of ever more diverse communities and bringing voice to those who don't recognize their ability to influence their physical environment.

2013 Renee S. Doktorczyk

Mount Prospect IL

Renee Doktorczyk's extensive technical expertise and continuous knowledge sharing have worked in tandem to advance the practice of architectural specification writing to benefit both architects and the built environment.

2013 Turan Duda

Durham NC

Turan Duda leads his practice, colleagues, and students in engaging the public to elevate the significance of architecture. He advances the profession by translating consensus into meaningful design and expanding the capabilities of practice.

2013 Dagmar B. Epsten

Atlanta GA

Dagmar Epsten, an early leader and innovator in the sustainable buildings movement, has driven high-performance design solutions nationally and internationally by guiding sustainable, high-performance architecture, demonstrating diversification of practice, and educating the profession.

2013 Stephen Fiskum

Minneapolis MN

Through his innovative best practices, Stephen Fiskum guides a culture of design excellence in his firm and he enables architects across the country to achieve higher levels of design influence and success.

2013 Rod Garrett

Washington DC

Rod Garrett is an industry leader in the practice of federal architecture. His award winning, innovative projects express a progressive federal presence and evoke a sense of pride in mission and identity.

2013 Debra Gerod

Los Angeles CA

Debra Gerod, AIA, internationally recognized executive architect, orchestrates strategic and groundbreaking collaborations, guides architects around the world to achieve their vision of landmark architecture, shares knowledge with the profession, and mentors the next generation.

2013 Anthony J. Haas

Houston TX

Inspirational leader and collaborator, Anthony Haas is a catalyst for advancement and achievement in healthcare architecture. He forges partnerships that empower caregivers to deliver improved outcomes and urge colleagues toward new levels of human-centered practice.

2013 Craig A. Hamilton

Los Angeles CA

Craig Hamilton's university facilities uniquely integrate contemporary students' social and educational needs. A pioneer of Fusion Buildings, Hamilton programs, plans and designs buildings that utilize social space to enrich and improve the collaborative educational experience.

2013 Michael E. Hickok

Washington DC

Michael Hickok champions a better American office building. Working with real estate developers, nonprofits and corporations to achieve extraordinary results with limited means, he advances the architect's role in shaping tomorrow's workplace.

2013 Jeanne Jackson

Salt Lake City UT

Jeanne Jackson, AIA, has advanced educational facility design by development and implementation of pioneering research-based practices, and through the dissemination of innovative ideas that positively and profoundly influence the design of future learning environments nationally.

2013 Helena L. Jubany

Los Angeles CA

Helena Jubany advances architectural practice by creating opportunities to empower minority and women architects, exemplifying the leadership position of the architect in the public realm, and elevating the architect's role in the community.

2013 Charles J. Kirby

Washington DC

Charles Kirby's academic science buildings intrigue, welcome, and encourage college students to become science majors, inspired collaborators, and America's next generation of scientists. Charles's pioneering research advances how institutions use Architecture to achieve their mission.

2013 James E. LaPosta, Jr

Hartford CT

James LaPosta has advanced the practice of educational architecture by combining advocacy for design excellence with a community-centered approach to create places that promote personal connection and support innovative ways to teach and learn.

2013 Carol Loewenson

New York NY

Carol Loewenson has achieved a new paradigm of sustainability through unique efforts to modernize, adapt and reuse outdated and unloved civic and campus buildings with visionary programming, elemental architectural appreciation, and exceptional design team leadership.

2013 George E. Marsh, Jr.

Boston MA

George E. Marsh, Jr. has explored architecture in diverse complex typologies in historic, significant settings creating humanist contemporary environments. He has led planning beyond healthcare and research building typologies creating new campus places for people.

2013 Gregory Mella

Washington DC

Greg Mella is a pioneer of sustainable design through his internationally recognized built work as Co-Director of Sustainable Design at SmithGroupJJR, the AIA's COTE Advisory Group, and the development of the 2030 Commitment.

2013 Robert W. Moje

Charlottesville VA

Robert Moje, AIA has advanced the practice of educational facility design considerably by developing innovative instructional environments for a multitude of school districts, thus significantly enriching the spaces where children learn and where educators teach.

2013 Moira Moser

Hong Kong

Moira Moser has built a global practice with IPD supported by technology-enabled collaboration, while also incorporating sustainable design and enhancing the advancement of women in the industry.

2013 Polly Osborne

Los Angeles CA

Polly Osborne creates ecologically sensitive buildings that are integrated with natural cycles. She is a steadfast long-time ambassador who advocates enthusiastically for a healthy, sustainable, and harmonious built environment.

2013 Ric Peterson Seattle WA

As managing partner, Ric's leadership, skill and vision were instrumental in Suyama Peterson Deguchi's achieving international recognition for design excellence, becoming a model small practice and generously supporting the nonprofit community.

2013 James F. Porter Los Angeles CA

Jim Porter has advanced architectural practice with his innovative project collaboration technology, teaching other architects to partner successfully on national and global projects, and his Collaboration Matrix became the basis for AIA Contract B-611.

2013 Cynthia Kozak Pozolo Detroit MI

Cynthia Kozak Pozolo reset the bar for architectural practice with technological applications and design execution breakthroughs. Her model of service and mentorship established new benchmarks for innovation and diversity within the profession.

2013 Elizabeth Reader Winchester VA

In a small city within a rural area, Elizabeth Reader has established a vibrant, diverse architecture practice that excels in design, utilizes a collaborative design process, and is committed to bettering the community.

2013 George Shaw Seattle WA

George Shaw advances architectural practice through nationally recognized achievements in public facility projects, innovation in collaborative practice, development of novel design technologies, and lasting contributions to sustainable urbanization in service to the public and the profession.

2013 J. Gregory Sheldon Kansas City MO

Greg Sheldon has had a significant impact on the architectural profession. A consummate architect, expert, teacher, and advocate for the profession, Greg continually sets new benchmarks for practice through collaboration, technical innovation, and knowledge sharing.

2013 Louis Sirianni Boston MA

Dedicating his career exclusively to museum architecture, Louis Sirianni has produced a significant body of nationally recognized work directly influencing the evolution of 21st century museums as vibrant venues for free-choice learning and civic engagement.

2013 Michael R. Somin San Diego CA

Michael Somin designs exemplary, adaptable, and efficient laboratories in which Nobel Prize research and innovation flourish. He established standards in laboratory and modular design for the profession, and selflessly influences and mentors colleagues designing laboratories.

2013 Michael G. Stevenson Raleigh NC

Through exemplary practice integrating urban design and architecture, mentoring and advocacy, Michael Stevenson engages and educates clients, colleagues, students and communities in design, urbanism and sustainability, advancing architecture's role and relevance to society.

2013 James C. (Jay) Tomlinson Kansas City MO

An architectural alchemist, James "Jay" Tomlinson—through his practice, civic service, and arts outreach—brought together architects, artists, entrepreneurs, and government in an explosion of vitality that led to Kansas City's largest urban renewal effort.

2013 Kevin B. Utsey Roanoke VA

Kevin Utsey has improved the practice of architecture by specializing in designing places where people gather, work, and learn, and by sharing an evolutionary process proven to foster concepts of community and collective space.

2013 Gary Loren Vance Indianapolis IN

In a career spanning over four decades, Gary Vance's passion is to advance and improve patient outcomes through healthcare design and its physical environments. This passion has been to "raise the bar" on healthcare design.

2013 Cynthia D. Walston Houston TX

Cynthia Walston has propelled the movement to transform research laboratories into people-centric, light and color-infused spaces and enthusiastically shares her unique knowledge to continuously improve laboratory environments, advance biomedical research and mentor others.

2013 Mark D. Weaver Memphis TN

Mark Weaver creates engaging, uplifting expressions of architecture that are grounded in a vocabulary that celebrates art, context, history and culture, and embodies the vernacular of the region to evoke a sense of place.

2013 William J. Worthen

San Francisco CA

Representing the architecture profession in the development and dissemination of high-performance building codes and standards, Bill Worthen is a leader and catalyst for the integration of sustainable principles, systems, and methods across the construction industry.

2013 Stephen W. Yundt

Los Angeles CA

Stephen Yundt pioneered the new American hospital, incorporating best medical practices, balancing technology with healing spaces and anticipating the future with flexible architectural platforms, fundamentally transforming the perception and reality of design for healthcare.

2012 Timothy Allanbrook

New York NY

Tim Allanbrook has directed the restoration of numerous nationally known landmarks with meticulous attention to detail, often at a grand scale. He promulgates technologically advanced techniques while sharing his knowledge through lectures, teaching and tours.

2012 Krista Ann Becker

Santa Monica CA

Krista Becker has advanced the design of U.S. embassies worldwide, through her mastery of this unique and challenging building type, creating safe, functional and inspiring places for the conduct of diplomacy.

2012 Gregory E. Blackburn

Oakland CA

Gregory Blackburn builds and leads teams that transform high-performance technology-driven programs into compelling buildings that enrich the spatial fabric of university and college campuses, enhance the user experience, and promote collaborative working environments.

2012 C. Keith Boswell

San Francisco CA

C. Keith Boswell, AIA advances the science and art of technical innovations in practice through leadership, multi-disciplinary collaboration, research and mentorship, which has elevated design solutions and high quality completed public and private work worldwide.

2012 Fernando L. Brave

Houston TX

Fernando Brave's practice nurtures, enhances and galvanizes the free flow of ideas along architecture's knowledge continuum from education and research to practice, engaging the community at many levels and creating architecture that does the same.

2012 Ross Chapin

Langley WA

Ross Chapin's sensibly-sized houses and small-scale neighborhoods have defined a new American Dream that is shifting the homebuilding industry and tapping widespread longing for a simpler lifestyle and supportive community.

2012 John Michael Currie

Leesburg VA

Through award-winning design, exemplary practice, research, writing, and the education and training of tomorrow's professionals, John Michael Currie advances the Nation's and the world's health, and strengthens architecture's place at the center of modern healthcare.

2012 Edward Dean

Berkeley CA

Edward Dean has advanced the practice of sustainable architecture on multiple fronts: regulation, education, research, publication and the design of new buildings and renovations that raise the bar for sustainable design and low-energy performance.

2012 Gary K. Dempster

Los Angeles CA

Gary Dempster's hands-on interaction with collaborating architects worldwide brings quality design to life in vastly different cultural contexts, while mentoring local architects in developing countries to aspire to meet international standards of process and craft.

2012 David Alan Dillard

Dallas TX

As he designs senior living communities that are innovative, progressive, and of remarkable quality, David Dillard enhances the lives of America's aging population and influences others in the profession.

2012 Peter C. Doo

Towson MD

Through architectural practice, advocacy and leadership, Peter Doo, AIA, has expanded green building in the City of Baltimore and State of Maryland and expanded the understanding and pursuit of sustainability nationally and internationally.

2012 Paul Endres

Emeryville CA

Paul Endres promotes the technical practice of architecture by including structure as an architectural expression. Pushing the limits of materials, he creates innovative, minimalist, low-consuming structures that reflect a combined vocabulary of architecture and engineering.

2012 Van H. Gilbert

Albuquerque NM

Pioneering designer of diverse learning environments and proud champion of New Mexico's architectural heritage, Van Gilbert, AIA, connects ideas, buildings, and the people who use them to create innovation solutions for the communities he serves.

2012 Monica Green

Cleveland OH

Environmental advocate, Monica Green elevates the standards and importance of integrated design and specifications in creating meaningful, sustainable architecture. She innovates by linking sustainability and historic preservation, and inspires and educates colleagues, organizations, and communities.

2012 Jerry Lee Halcomb

Dallas TX

Promoting strategic planning, embracing the need for a sense of community and fellowship, and dealing with today's technology needs, Jerry continues to transform religious architecture through his work while sharing his knowledge with others.

2012 David T. Haresign

Washington DC

A builder and leader of communities, David Haresign exemplifies and advances the role of the architect in integrated practice and design. His projects foster human connections and raise standards for workplaces and neighborhoods nationwide.

2012 William Hartman

Detroit MI

William Hartman's design process has transformed organizations, companies, and communities into meaningful economic and social contributors by expanding conventional design practice to re-frame their challenges and deliver results.

2012 Jane Hendricks

Seattle WA

Jane Hendricks has advanced the paradigm that learning happens everywhere with inspiring environments for learning and creative inquiry serving a wide spectrum of academic and civic institutions.

2012 Robert W. Hoye

Boston MA

Robert Hoye has advanced architectural practice through his global impact on replacement and specialty hospitals and through his development of innovative methodologies to improve their efficiency and flexibility.

2012 Finith E. Jernigan II

Salisbury MD

Finith Jernigan is one of the foremost authors of modern information management techniques. His approach to the enigma of design information management helps people understand the implications of action and inaction from the human perspective.

2012 Scott P. Kelsey

Los Angeles CA

Scott Kelsey has pioneered the new American Medical School through the establishment of a new building typology that creates interdisciplinary learning environments that respond to advances in clinical care, curriculum and continually evolving technologies.

2012 Susan F. King

Chicago IL

Susan King advances society as a whole through her thoughtful practice of architecture. Her work embraces class, gender and environmental equity, demonstrating through built form that architecture can serve and support as well as inspire.

2012 Charles Daniel Knight

Woobury MN

Charles D. Knight, AIA; An Architect fully engaged in executing socially and environmentally responsible buildings that significantly improve the quality of life for people worldwide; a passionate mentor of future leaders.

2012 Edward Charles Kohls

Baltimore MD

Through leadership and innovation, Ed Kohls has advanced the art and science of higher education architecture and campus planning for the enrichment of institutions and educational experiences.

2012 Michael Alan LeFevre

Atlanta GA

Michael LeFevre has innovated as BIM / collaboration pioneer. Through national outreach, presentations, publications, projects and service, he has connected the professions of design and construction, and changed the way we design and build buildings.

2012 David J. Lind

Dallas TX

Focused on operations based design, David Lind spearheaded the development of airport terminals that enhance the customer/passenger experience, create more competitive commercial business platforms and sustainably regenerate the life of aging, increasingly dated facilities.

2012 Dan Maginn

Kansas City MO

Dan Maginn has significantly impacted the profession of architecture by establishing an influential business model for small firms, consistently achieving design excellence, and serving as a nationally recognized voice of the profession.

2012 Clarence D. Mamuyac, Jr.

Berkeley CA

Clarence Mamuyac has advanced the practice of sports and community recreation architecture by demonstrating how a highly inclusive design process can create award-winning results. His thriving facilities serve as regional and national benchmarks.

2012 Jeffrey J. McCarthy

Chicago IL

Jeffrey McCarthy's solution-oriented approach to urban planning and international projects, along with his commitment to sustainability and the next generation, has advanced the practice of architecture on a global scale.

2012 Lorne L. McConachie

Seattle WA

Through the synthesis of educational research and innovative planning, Lorne McConachie has advanced the practice of educational facilities design. His architecture, writing, speaking, and consulting have enhanced learning, inspired students, and enriched communities.

2012 Charles Mears

Minneapolis MN

Chuck Mears invented structural-framing technology that frees architects to execute curved surfaces with efficiency and precision. Through professional collaboration and education, Mears advances knowledge of his breakthrough technology, which has revolutionized the possibilities for design.

2012 Anthony J. Moretti

Los Angeles CA

Through visionary work in construction documentation, Anthony Moretti developed an efficient and harmonious production process and pioneered building information modeling techniques that empower construction teams to create beautifully crafted, high-performing science, academic, and healthcare buildings.

2012 Steven M. Nilles

Chicago IL

Steven Nilles has advanced architectural practice through the application of technical design expertise, delivering a vast portfolio of award-winning, complex commercial high-rise projects while building an international design firm through leadership, mentorship and academic involvement.

2012 Philip J Poinelli

Cambridge MA

Philip Poinelli, AIA, leads through design and stewardship of exemplary K-12 school environments. He creates enduring architecture for intergenerational, 21st century learning through community engagement, shares expertise with the AIA, and influences emerging school architects.

2012 James E. Prendergast

Chicago IL

Jim Prendergast is a pioneer in user-centered design methodologies that translate strategic business objectives and cultural work patterns into progressive award-winning designs, creating entirely new platforms for client/architect collaboration.

2012 George Pressler

Pasadena CA

George Pressler has advanced the planning of medical facilities internationally as architect and advocate, educating healthcare leaders, design professionals, policy-makers, and communities by expanding their understanding of the impact of the built environment on healing.

2012 James Easton Rains, Jr.

Ramseur NC

James 'Jim' E. Rains, Jr. has created a national knowledge infrastructure for architectural and construction professionals. His experience, passion and grassroots efforts have advanced and expanded construction related resources and standards across the industry.

2012 Gary A. Reetz

Minneapolis MN

Gary Reetz created an exemplary national specialty practice advancing excellence in architecture for the arts. His visionary client-centric leadership of complex arts projects produces expressive and enduring design that enriches campuses, communities and the arts.

2012 Kurt A. Rockstroh

Boston MA

Kurt Rockstroh has advanced healthcare planning and design worldwide through his contribution towards seven editions of the "Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities," hundreds of speaking engagements, and many exemplary healthcare projects.

2012 Wayne Ruga

Deerfield Beach FL

Wayne Ruga, AIA, PhD, has reoriented healthcare architecture, advancing knowledge to enable the creation of environments that stimulate improved patient health, the vitality of staff, and the overall welfare of the broader community.

2012 Robert W. Schwartz

St. Louis MO

By fundamentally rethinking the design and operations of justice facilities to improve their aesthetics, effectiveness and social purpose, Robert W. Schwartz, AIA, LEED® AP has led a transformation in justice architecture.

2012 Fredric Sherman

San Francisco CA

Fredric Sherman exemplifies how architects can design for ongoing change in higher education. From community colleges to research universities, his projects are pioneering design models for social access and new learning environments.

2012 Ione R. Stiegler

La Jolla CA

lone Stiegler has advanced the science of historic preservation by redefining the methodology of architectural investigation. Her interdisciplinary practice transcends traditional boundaries between archaeology and architecture, and preserves our national heritage through her documentary approach.

2012 H Ruth Todd

San Francisco CA

Throughout the distinct public, institutional and private phases of an accomplished career, Ruth Todd has advanced architectural practice through enhancement of our cultural heritage and education of our citizenry in appreciating and caring for it.

2012 Nancy Rogo Trainer

Philadelphia PA

Nancy Rogo Trainer's design for nationally-recognized campuses seamlessly integrates planning, architecture and preservation, focusing on issues of identity, community, and sustainability. She advocates for adaptive reuse and responsible growth through practice, teaching, and civic engagement.

2012 Timothy Twomey

Baltimore MD

Tim Twomey has advanced the practice of architecture, and the architect's role in the construction process, through his work in improving the legal structure of professional contracts and defining alternative forms of project delivery.

2012 Drew White

Indianapolis IN

While challenging his studio, clients, community and colleagues to strive for excellence, Drew White's diverse practice serves as a national model, creating award-winning solutions for urban revival projects, civic structures and interior environments.

2012 William F. Wilson

Boston MA

Bill Wilson's design practice creates extraordinary possibilities for interaction within multi-disciplinary research and academic campuses. His thoughtful considerations of human behavior and his highly collaborative design approach have demonstrably evolved an architecture of communication.

2011 Jim Bedrick

San Mateo CA

Jim Bedrick has conducted groundbreaking research and development of tools and resources that enabled greater collaboration between architects and builders, and played a key role in AIA innovations in the creation of Integrated Project Delivery.

2011 David Calkins

Houston TX

With Strategic Visioning, David Calkins, AIA, transformed public education planning—both physical and curricular—addressed changing economic, demographic and pedagogical trends, and fostered a mutually supportive relationship between institutions and the communities they serve.

2011 Nathan B. Cherry

Los Angeles CA

While sharing his knowledge with colleagues, students, practitioners and officials, Nathan Cherry's urban design practice has fostered sustainable, livable communities, created transit-oriented and multi-use districts, and regenerated civic places in the United States and abroad.

2011 Joseph A. Collins

Portland OR

Joseph Collins has elevated the design of a generation of advanced technology facilities for research and education, and has become a national leader among his peers, aspiring architects, and other professionals in sustainable, high-performance architecture.

2011 Jonathan Townley Crane

Atlanta GA

Jon Crane is committed to improving our global community through the profession of architecture and the design of facilities to safely handle infectious disease. Jon pioneered innovative approaches for this critical and complex facility type.

2011 Elizabeth (Betsy) del Monte

Dallas TX

Through education, leadership and advocacy Betsy del Monte has transformed public understanding of the way we sustain our built environment, and exemplifies the role architects can take as leaders and stewards of the environment.

2011 Douglas S. Ewing

Pasadena CA

Ewing's passion for the environment, context, and quest for craft in sustainable wood recreational and entertainment structures distinguishes his contributions to the art and science of architecture and amplifies the public's understanding of the profession.

2011 Gail M. Flynn

Cambridge MA

Gail's leadership legacy for designing groundbreaking learning and living environments is emblematic of her perceptive vision and contagious quest for design excellence when exploring creative planning options; while concurrently breaking barriers for women design professionals.

2011 Mark J Frisch

Chicago IL

Mark Frisch is an innovator in the integrated design movement, weaving creative technical solutions with innovative business processes into an award-winning practice that is a model for firms throughout the United States.

2011 Lisa Gelfand

San Francisco CA

Lisa Gelfand's practice sets a new standard in serving the public interest through innovative, inspiring, sustainable public school design. Lisa integrates educational, planning and design goals, creating both schools and methods that influence design nationwide.

2011 Scott F. Georgeson

Milwaukee WI

Scott Georgeson's practice specializes in the building of hard-working, user-centered and green performance spaces. He is internationally known for his design expertise and passionate advocacy for the role of the arts in community revitalization.

2011 Lawrence J. Gleason

Eagan MN

A pioneer and proponent of integrated predesign, cost-management and project delivery methodologies, LawrenceGleason, AIA, has forged an essential bridge between architects and clients through innovative legislative reform, professional advocacy, and local, regional and international education.

2011 Thomas H. Hatch

Austin TX

With equal measures of pragmatism, idealism, and tenacity, Tom Hatch has vastly improved the quality and image of affordable housing while steadfastly championing his belief that a humane architecture stabilizes lives and builds sustainable communities.

2011 Steven A. Heikin

Boston MA

Steve Heikin has built his career around an ongoing commitment to planning and design in the public interest. Across the eastern United States, Steve has led the transformation of forgotten communities into neighborhoods of choice.

2011 David Rodman Henderer

Washington DC

Rod Henderer brings design excellence to the highest profile government buildings. Reaching far beyond the profession and industry, his work inspires pride in our country, expressing democratic ideals in civic architecture and celebrated public space.

2011 Rodney K. Henmi

Oakland CA

Rod Henmi is a leader improving design quality for two underserved building types – affordable housing and industrial architecture. His award-winning buildings demonstrate exemplary principles while his articulate articles and presentations educate and advocate.

2011 Mary Ann Lazarus

St. Louis MO

Over the past two decades, Mary Ann Lazarus has served as the environmental conscience for an entire generation of architects.

2011 Charles D. Liddy, Jr.

Minneapolis MN

Chuck Liddy's professional career has passionately focused on the preservation of our historic architectural and cultural treasures, vastly enriching our lives though powerful planning and design, uncompromised technical expertise, and public service.

2011 Tom Liebel

Baltimore MD

Tom Liebel is nationally recognized for integrating sustainable design strategies into the adaptive use of historic structures, creating projects that advance the profession's knowledge while also teaching, lecturing and advocating on behalf of the profession.

2011 Brian Malarkey

Houston TX

Brian Malarkey's pioneering efforts to advance green building have transformed a major metropolitan area into an unexpected national leader in sustainability and green building.

2011 Richard F. McCann

Sierra Madre CA

Richard McCann's seminal work adapting and renewing old theatres in aging cities has unleashed the potential of vintage palace style theatres for live performance, catalyzing urban redevelopment and historic preservation.

2011 Henry Myerberg

New York NY

Henry Myerberg reinvents libraries for the 21st Century. As architect and advocate, his libraries enliven diverse communities while the collaborations he orchestrates galvanize librarians, educators, architects, and designers.

2011 Michael A. Nieminen

New York NY

Dedicated to a process-driven practice model, Michael A. Nieminen has been a leader in advancing an architectural practice that deploys innovative analytical programming and planning techniques to bolster client engagement and education.

2011 Thomas G. Pene

Portland OR

Tom Pene leads his firm in creating a new generation of site-responsive, sustainable environments for the visual and performing arts. These have transformed communities and inspired performers, audiences, and other architects throughout the nation.

2011 Jon K. Pickard

New Haven CT

Jon Pickard's expertise in the design of large-scale high-rise and corporate projects is rooted in his integration of environment, community, and workplace to create buildings of enduring beauty that have transformed cities worldwide.

2011 Dan Pitera

Detroit MI

Modeled after the teaching hospital, Dan Pitera AIA developed an alternative research based practice as a hybrid of professional work, applied research, and educational development dedicated to cities with shrinking populations and meaningful community participation.

2011 Francis Murdock Pitts

Troy NY

An advocate, educator and designer, Francis Murdock Pitts is internationally recognized for his impact on the design of healthcare facilities with particular recognition for his groundbreaking work in the planning and design of psychiatric facilities.

2011 Lee Quill

Washington DC

Expanding the Architect's Influence, Voice and Vision, Lee Quill has created a recognized practice model of public engagement, education and collaboration. His inclusive approach produces award-winning designs that affirm the Architect's role as civic leader.

2011 Alan E. Reed

Baltimore MD

Alan Reed is transforming visitor experiences nationwide. His interpretive center designs explore the essence of context, resulting in engaging, inspirational, and evocative structures that embody, rather than simply contain, the stories being told.

2011 Steven D. Schuster

Raleigh NC

Steve Schuster leads the profession in integrating architecture and art, producing a diverse array of memorable buildings and installations that create community, instill civic pride, and raise the public's recognition of architects as place makers.

2011 Alan Scott

Portland OR

Alan Scott was among nation's first professionals to champion sustainable design through innovation and appropriate technologies best suited for each unique climate, culture and site. His work and teachings influence buildings and practices worldwide.

2011 Tully Shelley

San Francisco CA

Tully Shelley has advanced the practice of laboratory design through his pioneering facilities and skilled conversions of non-lab buildings that are recognized for their enduring value to the scientists and institutions they serve.

2011 Carrie Glassman Shoemake

Houston TX

Carrie Glassman Shoemake's work honors the potential for inventiveness and celebration in the everyday. Through her graceful designs, she elevates and honors the simple humanity of the familiar touchstones that shape our daily lives.

2011 David Vere Thompson

Baltimore MD

David Thompson has dedicated his career to Federal architecture, emphasizing collaboration across disciplines, consultants and clients. His portfolio is characterized by workplace environments that express mission and balance unique security demands and complex user requirements.

2011 David Miles Ziskind

New York NY

Throughout his career, David Miles Ziskind has been a passionate advocate for reforming prisons through architectural planning and design. His philosophy of humane incarceration and security without bars has shaped justice design and policy worldwide.

2010 Mark S. T. Anderson

San Francisco CA

Mark Anderson's design, research, publication and teaching work has had a significant impact on the profession in built and theoretical work integrating construction technology and mode-of-practice experimentation with site-specific concern for environmental/cultural context.

2010 Richard D. Beard

San Francisco CA

Drawing from his residential design experience, Richard Beard's innovative, multidisciplinary approach to senior housing communities demonstrates how successful architecture can improve the quality of life for the elderly.

2010 Bonnie Blake-Drucker

Oakland CA

Bonnie Blake-Drucker's pioneering design of accessible and sustainable laboratories meets human needs, going beyond merely prescribed standards. It challenges an entire industry to create inspiring research environments that are productive, safe, and inclusive.

2010 Christine J. Bodouva

New York NY

Christine Bodouva has made notable contributions to advance the science and art of planning, designing, and building of architectural quality, technically innovative, highly functional, and sustainable Airport Terminals with the Architect as the team prime.

2010 William J. Bonstra

Washington DC

William Bonstra is a recognized leader in advancing the standards of architectural practice. He creates exemplary architecture demonstrating that bold yet contextually sensitive modern design can complement, revitalize and sustain historic urban neighborhoods.

2010 Chris Brasier

Durham NC

Chris Brasier has advanced the architectural profession at the intersection between art and science, pioneering integrated design by fostering connections between allied design professions and fusing education with practice.

2010 Douglas M. Brinkley

Raleigh NC

By his visionary leadership, Douglas Brinkley has influenced the profession, politicians, people and public policy to embrace architecture as a solution to a sustainable future through the example of masterful design work and design education.

2010 Richard Carter

Minneapolis MN

Rick Carter is a pioneering architect whose leadership role in our industry consistently enhances the linkage of sustainable design to social responsibility by measuring the performance of designs and sharing his expertise with the profession.

2010 Philip Castillo

Evanston IL

Philip Castillo is a leader taking BRILLIANT IDEAS and MAKING BRILLIANT PROJECTS through meaningful COLLABORATION, advancing TECHNOLOGY, and promoting new concepts in SUSTAINABILITY that advance ARCHITECTURE and the ART OF DESIGN.

2010 William Chegwidden

Marietta GA

As a national leader in the transformation of religious architectural design, Bill Chegwidden's advocacy for strategic master planning and design, reinforced by his writings and lectures, continues to raise expectations for this specialized architectural expression.

2010 Thomas Wayne Chessum

Los Angeles CA

Tom Chessum streamlined the healthcare building process through the pioneering use of integrated modeling, design, and project delivery methods and revolutionized the applicability and breadth of the nation's evidence-based and sustainable healthcare design standards.

2010 William David Chilton

New Haven CT

William Chilton's expertise leading large, complex corporate headquarters, institutional and high-rise projects within diverse political and cultural environments has served to advance each organization's mission and civic commitment through design excellence.

2010 Bruce Coldham

Amherst MA

Bruce Coldham was an early leader in an integrated design approach to producing durable, verifiably high-performing, resource-conserving buildings. Additionally, he pioneered the establishment of cohousing as a viable housing option in the eastern U.S.

2010 Michael C. Corby

Grand Rapids MI

Michael Corby demonstrates his talent and reveals his passions in the creation of elegant, practical and sustainable solutions. He has advanced sustainable design as an indispensable vehicle for environmental stewardship, corporate branding and aesthetic expression.

2010 Sarah Dennison

Venice CA

Sarah Dennison's immersive involvement in shaping architecture with clients leads to the creation of engaging and transformative environments that celebrate scientific discovery. Her buildings stimulate hands-on learning and foster delight in the wonder of science.

2010 C. Richard Hall

Southfield MI

Leader in national practice, Rick Hall advances excellence in healthcare architecture by furthering multi-disciplinary, experienced-based planning and evidence-based design; thus creating innovative models; and designing sustainable, holistic environments that uplift the mind, body, and spirit.

2010 Philip L. Harrison

Phil Harrison believes in the social power of design. In his leadership of Perkins+Will, he has led the development of a 21st-century design practice that positively impacts the profession, the environment, and society at large.

Atlanta GA

2010 Richard M. Heinz San Diego CA

Pioneering standards balancing exacting technical precision with environments promoting discovery and scholarship, Rick has provided leadership and innovation in the field of laboratory and laboratory facility design.

2010 Kimberly Hickson Houston TX

Kimberly Hickson has set cost effective sustainable design and construction as the standard for cities, client groups and architects through innovative collaborative project management and an extensive body of training sessions, presentations, and publications.

2010 Ted A. Hyman Los Angeles CA

Ted Hyman is broadly regarded as an expert and leader in the execution of highly complex, advanced technology research buildings, while passionately sharing his knowledge with colleagues, other professionals, and the next generation of architects.

2010 David Laffitte Jacksonville FL

David Laffitte has advanced the practice of architecture through his use of—and advocacy for—lighting as an essential design element giving expression to architecture. He shares his expertise through professional collaboration, consulting, and teaching

2010 H. Scot Latimer Evergreen CO

Scot Latimer is an architect who designs the business of healthcare. For nearly three decades he has led the profession in the discipline of strategic health facility planning and advanced architecture within the healthcare industry.

2010 Michael C. Lauber Cambridge MA

Michael Lauber advances the practice of architecture in the realm of academic science through an extensive, highly focused practice paired with a longstanding commitment to share information with professional colleagues via national workshops and presentations.

2010 Leslie Moldow Oakland CA

Leslie Moldow has redefined the future of senior living and special needs housing design. Through her design, advocacy, research, education, and writing, she has inspired a generation to raise the design quality for the most needy.

2010 Robert K. Morris Dallas TX

Through advancements in design and innovation, Bob Morris created a new generation of data centers that improve the lives of thousands, and in doing so, raised the recognized value of the architect in this industry.

2010 Charles M. Oraftik San Francisco CA

As a founder, pioneer and champion of a groundbreaking movement in justice architecture for more than 30 years, Chuck Oraftik has profoundly advanced the art, science and societal understanding of justice design and planning.

2010 Aubrey Ray Pentecost III Norfolk VA

Ray Pentecost, a Knowledge Community exemplar, powerfully contributes to the transformation of practice as a tireless advocate and pioneer who conducts, uses, and integrates rigorous research from multiple specialty domains to create unique, complex designs.

2010 Russell Perry Washington DC

Mr. Perry has been a major voice in sustainable design and its introduction into the mainstream of American architectural practice. He was a dedicated pioneer when environmental design was not a priority within the profession.

2010 David Gwynne Pugh Santa Monica CA

Gwynne Pugh is a renaissance man of the built environment. Advancing architecture by integrating his leadership with knowledge of engineering, government, urban design and sustainable principles to transform cities into places of vitality and inspiration.

2010 Anthony P. Schirripa New York NY

Builder of two exceptional architecture practices, Tony Schirripa uses his considerable practice skills to galvanize, energize, and improve organizations and people. His ability to unite design professionals, builders, and government is remarkable.

2010 Walter Sedovic Irvington NY

Walter Sedovic — early advocate for sustainable preservation — has pioneered new approaches and standards for restoring buildings, communities, the environment and infrastructure. His principles resonate through his designs, craftsman training programs and cultural interaction.

2010 Scott Shell

San Francisco CA

Through his pioneering leadership on zero energy buildings and design for deconstruction, Scott Shell has demonstrated how sustainable design can inspire architectural form and character and contribute to exceptionally livable environments.

2010 Michael Strogoff

Mill Valley CA

By providing innovative practice management knowledge, promoting the value of architects to clients, and educating professionals about project delivery, Michael Strogoff enabled architects to practice more effectively, heightened architects' influence, and advanced alternative delivery methods.

2010 Dean J. Vlahos

Santa Monica CA

Dean Vlahos, through pioneering research, materials testing and investigations on landmark projects, is a leading national authority on forensics, building codes and construction technology analysis, enhancing public safety and sharing his expertise throughout the profession.

2010 John Waugh

Minneapolis MN

Through global influence in healthcare architecture, John Waugh has elevated the practice by creating timeless, adaptable, healing environments, which are often emulated; facilities so successful they are models for patient care in the 21st Century.

2010 Peter Weismantle

Oak Park IL

As technical architect of two of the world's tallest buildings and several of the world's largest urban redevelopments, lecturer, author and mentor Peter Weismantle has advanced the art and science of innovative technical achitecture globally.

2010 Daniel Winey

San Francisco CA

Daniel W. Winey, has forged a path for domestic and international firms to successfully navigate the globalization of design services, while promoting sustainability internationally and supporting the education and mentorship of future generations of architects.

2009 Raymond L. Beets

Houston TX

A leader in the emerging specialty practice of high-containment research facility design, Raymond L. Beets is applying his unique insight as an architect to enhance public health, safety and welfare nationally and worldwide.

2009 Glenn W. Birx

Baltimore MD

Entrepreneurial and technologically astute, Glenn Birx harnessed building information modeling to achieve his firm's uncontested prominence in this powerful practice tool. A recognized authority on BIM, Birx shares his knowledge through publications and outreach nationwide.

2009 Arthur Cohen

Cambridge MA

Drawing from his passion for integrating technology with design, Arthur's designs respond to both their place and purpose, creating humane, sophisticated work environments for scientists and researchers who are advancing our knowledge of life science.

2009 John Cook

Minneapolis MN

John Cook, AIA, has passionately advanced the art and science of architecture through his detailed exploration and development of innovative materials, building systems and structural solutions that result in sophisticated and beautiful architecture.

2009 Richard F. Dallam

Seattle WA

Richard Dallam, by leveraging observational research, has advanced innovative, human-centered approaches to healthcare design, asserting the potential of architecture to enhance life experiences for patients, families, and caregivers-and improve organizational performance and medical outcomes.

2009 Ronald W. Dennis

Dallas TX

Ron creates healing, inviting and operationally efficient family and child friendly environments that have a continuing impact on the delivery of pediatric healthcare while advancing the practice of children's healthcare architecture worldwide.

2009 Richard J. Diedrich

Atlanta GA

Through a global reach in practice, teaching and as author, Richard Diedrich has led the resurgence of the clubhouse as the architectural soul and social center of the planned recreational community.

2009 George Efstathiou

Chicago IL

George Efstathiou, AIA, RIBA, advances the architecture profession and practice of an international firm, establishing new approaches for delivering landmark projects worldwide, and fostering client and team relationships in his role as an architectural ambassador.

2009 Carl Elefante Washington DC

Fully capturing the embodied economic, environmental and cultural value of existing resources is fundamental to sustainability. Carl Elefante, AIA, has shaped "sustainable preservation" by intersecting historic preservation and sustainable design practice.

2009 David G. Fong San Francisco CA

Through his development of rigorous new project delivery methodologies that have been adopted by firms across the country, David Fong has significantly advanced best practices in architectural project management, construction documents and quality control.

2009 G. Michael Gehring Los Angeles CA

Architectural lighting designer Michael Gehring brings the highest level of architectural rigor and expertise to some of the world's largest and most ambitious projects. His specialty practice and mentorship has expanded the field of architecture.

2009 David Graham Minneapolis MN

David Graham, AIA has pioneered a collaborative city-building practice through which he restores the public realm, enhances the vitality and livability of urban neighborhoods, and designs context-sensitive contemporary architecture that repairs the urban fabric.

2009 David Greusel Kansas City MO

David Greusel, AIA has focused on improving architects' communications skills, sharing broadly with the profession in numerous seminars and publications, including a book and a section of The Architect's Handbook of Professional Practice, 14th Edition.

2009 Ronald P. Gronowski Portland OR

Ron Gronowski has reshaped the relationship between quality design, sustainability, resource and firm management. He has shared his new methods through the AIA and other institutions to substantially improve architectural practice nationally and internationally.

2009 Peter Grueneisen Santa Monica CA

As an international leader in media production facilities architecture Peter Grueneisen has transformed the typology by designing innovative environments that seamlessly combine architecture and technology, supporting the intuitive processes of creating sonic and audiovisual art.

2009 Cara Shimkus Hall Tulsa OK

As an architect and attorney, Cara Shimkus Hall's passion is developing risk management strategies that allow architects to focus on award winning design. The results have revolutionized AIA Agreements, liability insurance, and state law.

2009 Kevin L Harris Baton Rouge LA

Kevin Harris' small project niche of residential renovations and historic preservation commissions is a public demonstration of an architect's value to designs regardless of size or budget; revitalizing neighborhoods, saving landfills and fostering public awareness.

2009 John F. Hedge, Jr. Columbus OH

Jack Hedge is a visionary leader in advancing the practice of sustainable, energy efficient architecture. His passionate leadership has awakened his region by pioneering solutions to meet the challenges of a more sustainable world.

2009 Robert A. Heintges New York NY

Robert Heintges is an internationally recognized leader in the design and implementation of the curtain wall. As collaborator and educator, he has empowered the profession by advancing the art and science of the building envelope.

2009 Susan Meridith Hensey Charlotte NC

Pioneering technology-based space management and facility planning design tools, Susan Hensey has expanded architectural practice service offerings, advanced data-driven integrated project delivery, and fostered professional knowledge and resources through national and international industry forums.

2009 Jerri Holan Albany CA

A research scholar and author of a definitive book on traditional wooden architecture, Jerri Holan has, for 25 years, continued and expanded historic preservation with her specialized practice which advances architecture through research and advocacy.

2009 Lance K. Josal Chicago IL

Through projects, teaching, authorship and management, Lance Josal has advanced the mixed-use typology as a catalyst for regeneration, shaped an international practice, and shared his knowledge across the profession, mentoring a new generation of architects.

Object 2 – Advance: Practice (2014 and earlier)

2009 Steven E. Loomis

Virginia Beach VA

Recognized nationally for his expertise in public safety design, Steve Loomis has elevated the art and science of mission critical facilities through a collaborative practice, mentoring both clients and colleagues through speaking, writings and practice.

2009 Frank Mascia

Tucson AZ

Frank Mascia, AIA uniquely advances practice by conceiving and sharing methods for the adaptation of emerging technologies, guiding hundreds of architects to automate their offices without sacrificing the fundamentals and satisfaction of quality architectural practice.

2009 Linda McCracken-Hunt

Minneapolis MN

Linda McCracken-Hunt, AIA, is a gifted leader, expanding new areas of practice by redefining the role of the architect as an owner's representative and as a public leader advocating integrated practice delivery options.

2009 Anita Picozzi Moran

Dallas TX

A pioneer in the design of campus recreation centers, Anita Moran transformed the building prototype. Through her architecture and advocacy, she champions lifestyle change that supports involvement and wellbeing on campuses, and in communities nationally.

2009 Susan K. Oldroyd

San Francisco CA

Susan K. Oldroyd is nationally recognized for her creation and implementation of design standards for judicial facilities: she has enhanced the delivery of justice by improving courthouse design.

2009 Travis L Price III

Washington DC

Travis Price is an environmental and cultural pioneer for the profession, education, and the public. Informed by ecology and global cultures, his practice, theories, and publications revive the spirit of place while advancing modern architecture.

2009 Beverly J. Prior

San Francisco CA

Utilizing the power of collaborative leadership, Beverly Prior has developed groundbreaking local and national AIA initiatives, built a unique architectural firm, and engaged stakeholders in creating community-enhancing environments.

2009 Gerald (Butch) Reifert

Seattle WA

Gerald (Butch) Reifert has advanced the practice of education facility design through innovative marriage of environment, architecture and project delivery to enhance learning and building outcomes.

2009 Gregory Lynn Roberts

Houston TX

Champion, author, teacher, specifier, Greg Roberts is a leading force in the development of sustainable architecture for healthcare. Driving systemic change in the design and construction of healthy buildings, he is greening healthcare.

2009 Martha T. Seng

Houston TX

Martha Seng has revolutionized animal shelter architecture to improve the plight of homeless animals and invigorate public education about animal care, resulting in enhanced public welfare and community pride.

2009 Charles Terry Shook

Charlotte NC

Terry Shook is an acknowledged international leader in Placemaking, specifically in the establishment of the field as a practical discipline, accepted by architects, developers and communities alike, that restores functionality and meaning to the landscape.

2009 Sylvia J. Smith

New York NY

Throughout her career, in every capacity, Sylvia Smith has been an activist for design, championing its transformative and generative capabilities and thus advancing the practice of architecture for educational and cultural institutions.

2009 James M Suehiro

Seattle WA

Through his leadership in the development of integrated practice methods, James Suehiro has positively influenced project delivery transformation within the building industry. His knowledge of collaborative integrated processes has contributed to new definitions of practice.

2009 Cheryl C Walker

Charlotte NC

Cheryl Walker has expanded and elevated the architect's role as environmental steward through leadership in developing, fostering and implementing standards that improve the impact of buildings on the natural environment.

2009 John E. Yonushewski

Denver CO

By integrating architecture with construction John Yonushewski has created and demonstrated expanded roles for architects and through his leadership and education efforts, has enabled others to become leaders in architect-led single source delivery.

2023 James Richard Alsop

Charlotte NC

Through the creation of model advocacy programs for the AIA, Richard Alsop expands carbon reduction solutions, increases architect effectiveness in legislative policymaking, advances public safety, challenges social inequities, and champions the underserved.

2023 Yew Kee Cheong

Singapore

Yew Kee Cheong is selflessly devoted to championing the AIA worldwide and promoting Institute initiatives internationally. Through strategic leadership, strong advocacy and collaborative mentorship, he benefits members, partners and stakeholders on the AIA's global stage.

2023 Justin Crane (best example)

Cambridge MA

Justin Crane has dedicated his career to promoting a just and ethical architectural profession by creating opportunities for education and fostering dialogue between the profession and the public.

2023 Mary Follenweider

Ventura CA

Throughout her professional career, Mary Follenweider has championed advocacy on behalf of climate action, the public good and the profession. A true Citizen Architect, she has built a stronger culture of advocacy within the AIA.

2023 Nathan Johnson

Minneapolis MN

Through creating new strategies for diversity, Nathan Johnson transformed AIA Minnesota into a national leader for equity with proven tools that have become models for needed change within AIA and its components, nationwide.

2023 Ryan McEnroe

Silver Spring MD

Through his leadership training, dedicated advocacy, and committed outreach on a national scale, Ryan McEnroe empowers and enables future generations of architect leaders to advance their careers, strengthen the profession, and serve our society.

2023 Mike McGlone

San Antonio TX

Mike McGlone has reshaped AIA policies and practices to open and diversify its leadership pipeline, developed platforms to buttress emerging architects, and strengthened lines of communication and cooperation to energize and propel the Institute forward.

2023 Jack Morgan

Edmond OK

Expanding the influence of the profession on society, Jack Morgan tenaciously advanced member and community engagement at all levels of the AIA by creating innovative public awareness tools, providing advocacy leadership, and mentoring emerging professionals.

2023 Mark Schwamel

Chicago IL

Mark Schwamel leads the Institute at the national, state, and local levels through visionary policy change and transformational mentorship programs. Future-focused, his service and advocacy advance the profession and empower the next generation of leaders.

2022 Paul M. Dennehy (best example)

Dallas TX

Paul Dennehy has led the Institute with perseverance, purpose, and vision, redefining issues facing the AIA and the profession through advocacy and implementation of changes that have created a stronger and more representative future.

2022 D. Michael Hellinghausen

Dallas TX

Mike's steadfast and visionary leadership, and gifts as a teacher and mentor, are the traits he marshaled to assure a more prosperous and equitable future for the Texas Society of Architects and for the profession.

2022 Britt Lindberg

San Jose CA

As an AIA leader, Britt Lindberg advances the impact of design through enhancing institutional outreach and communications; prioritizing climate action, equity and forward-looking perspective; and creating innovative knowledge resources for members and the public.

2022 Kevin Bruce Miller

Salt Lake City UT

Leading the Institute through the creation of industry shaping, standard-form agreements and practice guides, demystifying how those agreements work for thousands of practitioners, and advocating for their use in both private and public arenas.

2022 Eric M. Roberts

Las Vegas NV

Eric Roberts sees architecture as the inspiration and catalyst for a great gathering of people and ideas. His service proves architects' enduring capacity to improve lives and communities through the creative process and its result.

2022 J Lee Rofkind

Midlevels Hong Kong Island

As a founding member and former President of AIA Hong Kong, J Lee has advanced the Chapter through continued years of service, mentorship, advocacy, and community involvement, thereby cementing the Institute's presence in the city.

2022 Willy L. Zambrano

Freeport NY

Willy Zambrano expands the architect's sphere of influence beyond the built environment by engaging his local community, elevating the profile of the profession, and broadening the diversity of the next generation of professionals.

2021 Sherif Anis

Abu Dhabi United Arab Emirates

Sherif Anis bridges social and professional gaps internationally through leadership characterized by passionate advocacy for cross-culturalism and inclusion. His co-founding of AIA Middle East and activism at the global scale support architects who practice abroad.

2021 Philip Bona

San Diego CA

In four decades of continuous AIA service, Philip Bona has inspired the Institute, its members and society. His effective leadership and advocacy shaped professional and public knowledge of critical issues affecting society and the environment.

2021 William M. Brown III

Verona NJ

William M. Brown III, AIA, NOMA is a compassionate architect who has advocated for and advanced the architectural profession through dedicated leadership, mentorship and community service.

2021 Brian Frickie

Falls Church VA

Brian Frickie delivers aspirational, enduring, and inspirational leadership across the AIA at all levels. His visionary activism and collaborative, participatory style uphold the profession's stature, elevate the organization's relevance, and empower individual architects as leaders.

2021 Robert Kelly (best example)

Ambler PA

Through Leadership, skillful Innovation, and Advocacy Robert Kelly AIA crafted a comprehensive strategy and methods for large component transformation, chapter collectivism, and community impact. In doing so he established a replicable model of national significance.

2021 Chere LeClair

Bozeman MT

Chere LeClair, through persuasive leadership and advocacy, has leveraged models for equitable representation within the Institute and the profession, forging pathways for inclusivity and transformative thinking about what it means to be an architect.

2021 Evelyn Lee

Lafayette CA

Evelyn Lee is a consummate advocate for the future of architecture both within the profession and to the public. Her leadership promotes knowledge that architects, emerging and seasoned, use to excel in a changing world.

2021 William Melby

Bakersfield CA

William Melby champions the overlooked and the overwhelmed, finding ways of turning small, unstaffed or unguided AIA components into robust platforms for advocacy, talent development, professional education, and community service.

2021 Douglas Teiger

Los Angeles CA

Douglas Teiger's advocacy for humanistic business models fuels his service in AIA chapters and outreach to members. He drives diversity while empowering others to rethink business models and find balance and profitability in design practice.

2021 James Walbridge

Lincoln NE

James Walbridge's career-long leadership within AIA has successfully elevated the Institute's service to the profession across organizational, residential practice and philanthropic domains, expanded diversity scholarships, and through his innovative leadership programs, advanced professional standards.

2020 R. Corey Clayborne

Charlottesville VA

Corey Clayborne creates a dramatically more diverse and sustainable leadership pipeline to the profession by accelerating the transition of students into practice, reshaping the path toward licensure, and empowering young architects to leave a legacy.

2020 Yu-Ngok Lo

Culver City CA

Yu-Ngok Lo inspires and provides resources for immigrant architects, advances the AIA's Call to Diversity, gives AIA members overseas a voice in the profession, and educates emerging professionals and students through his leadership and journalism.

2020 Stephen P. Maher

Baton Rouge LA

Through dedicated, persistent leadership and collaborative advocacy, Steve Maher has devoted his career to defending and advancing the profession of architecture.

2020 Susan B. McClymonds

Amsterdam NY

Through her expert contributions and leadership within AIA and NCARB, Sue McClymonds has affected profound change, through the AIA Contract Documents and ARE, to the way architects practice; advancing the profession and protecting the public.

2020 Ellis "Lanny" McIntosh

Tulsa OK

Through his visionary and collaborative leadership, Lanny McIntosh, AIA, LEED AP, led an historic governance change, champions innovative funding to support advocacy, and lifts up emerging professionals to ensure a stronger profession.

2020 Douglas Richards

Hillsboro OH

Doug transformed the profession and his community at all levels through his inspiring mentoring, diligent leadership, and passionate design advocacy shaping the lives of emerging professionals, growing networks of aspiring architects, and promoting good design.

2020 D. Wayne Rogers

Lexington SC

Wayne Rogers's stewardship and advocacy inspire, unite and reenergize AIA chapter leaders and community allies to 'fix broken things.' His leadership advances new education, internship, and practice initiatives that benefit members and future professionals.

2020 Jaime E. Sobrino (best example)

Miami FL

As an inspirational AIA leader, Jaime E. Sobrino has initiated and enriched organizational innovation at the local, state, and national level through strategic leadership, unique public awareness campaigns, and mentorship.

2020 Sean Stadler

Washington DC

Through pioneering initiatives and targeted advocacy, Sean Stadler is a respected voice for emerging professionals across an entire generation, advancing the stature of associates and young architects into one of high regard within the profession.

2019 Raymond L. Beeler

Pleasantville NY

Ray has been a dynamic, influential leader of the AIA, creating innovative outreach initiatives that foster knowledge-sharing and diversity and increasing the value of the profession to society and of the Institute to the profession.

2019 Robert E. Bullis

Dallas TX

Bob Bullis transformed AIA Dallas into a nationally recognized model for component advocacy; strengthened the chapter's public outreach, member services and finances; and recruited the next generation of leadership.

2019 Lisa Chronister

Oklahoma City OK

Through effective national and component leadership, Lisa M. Chronister has proven her drive and ability to positively impact the way architects develop as emerging professionals, advance in diversity, and engage with communities.

2019 Robert Cozzarelli

Belleville NJ

Robert Cozzarelli is a persuasive advocate for the profession with a focus on ensuring architect's relevance and influence in the public sphere and creating a solid and forward-thinking structure to strengthen the Institute's voice.

2019 Mark S. Gangi (best example)

Burbank CA

Mark Gangi, AIA transforms the profession as he champions AIA's Citizen Architects through service to the institute, civic engagement, and organizational service

2019 Patrick P. Panetta

Tempe AZ

Patrick has positioned the architect as a community leader, through his transformational organizational leadership that optimizes the Institute's organizational effectiveness, through engaging advocacy programs and public service, and by the empowerment of emerging professional advocates.

2019 Tina Marie Reames

Albuquerque NM

Tina Reames, AIA, has broadly and effectively shared the techniques she developed for emerging professionals. These techniques involve receiving and providing mentorship; collaborating among AIA's sister organizations; lifelong learning; and network development through social events.

2019 Constantine D. Sakellar

Tucson AZ

Dino Sakellar's over forty years of diligent architectural leadership profoundly strengthened local and nationwide institute efforts. His dynamic approach to participatory design continues to forge strong bonds between the profession and the many communities served.

2019 Lee E. Salin

San Jose CA

An inspiring leader and mentor, Lee Salin, AIA, advances the profession by advocating on behalf of strategic initiatives, building effective coalitions, enhancing the public's understanding of the profession, and mentoring the next generation of leaders.

2019 Gregory A. Yager

Shanghai China

A celebrant of diversity and human dignity in his work, practice and advocacy, Gregory Yager has vastly broadened the AIA's platform and influence throughout Asia, fostering a unified, global cooperative of American architects practicing abroad.

2018 Joseph J. Aliotta

New York NY

Through exemplary leadership, service, and advocacy, Joe Aliotta empowers emerging young professionals, advances the profession through mentorship, and builds connections with broader industry associations-resulting in greater growth, visibility, and effectiveness of the profession.

2018 Gregory John Burke

Vero Beach FL

Greg Burke embodies national influence through ardent advocacy, creative programming and clear public discourse. His career elevates the stature of architectural practice, inspired national and international architectural leaders, and strengthened their profession and its diversity.

2018 Nathan R. Butler

Orlando FL

By establishing new models for leadership, governance, and community engagement, Nathan Butler is modernizing the value of AIA membership and expanding the Institute's relevance for future generations.

2018 Stuart L. Coppedge

Colorado Springs CO

An active practitioner, Stuart inspires his fellow professionals, enhances the value of architects and architecture, and leads locally, regionally, and nationally in a new era for the Institute.

2018 Glenn Fellows

Albuquerque NM

Glenn Fellows has advanced professional practice through his advocacy for the IBC to become the nation's building code. His sustained professional leadership ensures effective resources, policies and alliances within the industry, practice and the Institute.

2018 Joshua Flowers

Memphis TN

Josh Flowers advances the profession through grassroots leadership and advocacy that fosters engagement, connects practitioners, and creates new leadership pathways and knowledge forums. His work actively strengthens the Institute and our next generation of architects.

2018 Verity L. Frizzell

Point Pleasant NJ

Applying her passion and energy to serve the causes she believes in- her community, her profession, her core values- Verity Frizzell has answered the call to resiliently rebuild damaged towns and promote equity in architecture.

2018 F. Eric Goshow

New York NY

Eric Goshow's approach to leadership in the AIA and in his practice places great emphasis on the power of collaboration and teamwork to achieve hard-to-reach goals that benefit the profession of architecture and society.

2018 Leonard Kady

New York NY

Influential leader, connector, and educator, Leonard Kady advocates for AIA Small Firms. He impacts the practice of architecture to expand the definition of "Small" through meaningful contributions to the profession, the Institute, and society.

2018 Adrienne Montare

Columbia SC

Adrienne Montare advances the profession as a component leader and design activist through her advocacy of the power of architecture and the architect's role in transforming communities.

2018 Wolf Saar

Seattle WA

Wolf Saar leads AIA Contract Documents nationally and was a founder of AIA/CES. He develops industry-standard risk management tools that promote sustainability and collaboration nationwide and made AIA/CES fundamental to licensure of architects.

2018 Tania S. Salgado

Denver CO

As a result of her effective leadership, Tania Salgado has advanced the Institute's mission by ensuring a diverse profession and elevating the value of architecture.

2018 Charles L. Schreckenberger

Akron OH

Charles Schreckenberger has consistently advanced the profession through leadership roles within the Institute, practice and society. By sharing his lifelong accumulation of knowledge, Charles impacts the profession, constantly driving it toward greater service and achievement.

2018 Rosa Sheng

San Francisco CA

Rosa Sheng, AIA advances the Institute and its members by driving cultural transformation towards equitable practice, devising platforms for valued member engagement, and leading outreach to raise public awareness of Architecture's positive impact.

2018 David Urschel

Chicago IL

David Urschel, AIA has led and elevated the profession, strengthened AIA engagement with members, emerging professionals, allied organizations, academic institutions, and the general public, receiving awards and recognition for his leadership and innovative forward-thinking initiatives.

2017 F. Michael Ayles

Bridgeport CT

F. Michael Ayles is a tireless advocate for our profession to enhance society's quality of life as 'Citizen Architects', shaped by over 20 years of exemplary AIA leadership and trusted professional and organizational mentorship.

2017 Debra J. Dockery

San Antonio TX

A persistent and untiring champion of the business of architecture, Debra Dockery has fought for equitable legislation and regulation, engaged peers in effective advocacy, and mentored emerging and future professionals in practice management and entrepreneurship.

2017 Matthew Dumich

Chicago IL

Matthew Dumich advances mentorship, connectivity and outreach, empowering emerging professional leaders across the country. His groundbreaking initiatives bridge generations to promote and equip aspiring architects with tools and platforms for personal and collective success.

2017 Jerome Leslie Eben

West Orange NJ

Jerry Eben is driven by his belief in the intrinsic value of architecture. His career as an AIA and community leader illuminates brilliantly that the benefits of his fervor are local, regional, and national.

2017 Lisa C. Gomperts

Indianapolis IN

Lisa Gomperts advances the profession through exceptional leadership in continuing education advocacy: elevating standards, expanding access to programming, growing public awareness of the profession, and building legacy programs from singular initiatives for maximum national benefit.

2017 Kenneth Hau

Hong Kong

With dedicated leadership, Kenneth Hau advances the architectural profession by fostering young architects, collaborating within the Institute and other professional bodies, and advocating a global AIA to expand international outreach in the Asia Pacific region.

2017 Lisa L. Kennedy

Milwaukee WI

For over 30 years, Lisa Kennedy, AIA has played a pivotal role in leading the Institute, shaping the lives of thousands of architects through her pioneering, problem-solving work in governance, practice and education

2017 Mark L. Levine

Atlanta GA

Mark Levine's sustained national and regional institute leadership has advanced member education, design, and solidarity through diverse programs and conference venues. His professional practice has combined advocacy and the celebration of design to inspire others.

2017 Michael James Malone

Dallas TX

Michael Malone promotes the advancement of design excellence through collaboration and outreach; strengthens the profession through leadership; and creates a culture of inclusion and learning by serving as a model for the next generation.

2017 Jonathan D. Penndorf

Washington DC

Jonathan Penndorf is building future generations of architects: forging national paths for career advancement, championing environmental literacy, and solidifying interdisciplinary partnerships. His work drives the Institute forward, creating a stronger, more relevant profession.

2017 Michael S. Watson

Columbia SC

Michael Watson elevates the process of public design for architects through his professional service and practice leadership. His efforts jump started the modernization of AIA Contract Documents and created enduring models for architectural practice.

2016 William J. Bates

Pittsburgh PA

An ardent corporate and citizen architect Bill Bates has significantly expanded the influence of the Institute and profession through visionary leadership, volunteer services and promoting diversity within the profession.

2016 Douglas A. Benson

Portland OR

Doug Benson, AIA is a tenacious and effective advocate for architects, architecture, and the Institute. He strengthens our profession locally, nationally, and internationally by leading innovative, collaborative efforts that improve practice at all levels.

2016 Margaret O'Donoghue Castillo (best example) New York NY

Through her component leadership, Margaret Castillo has promoted the Institute's goals of sustainable design and environmental responsibility by expanding public outreach, advocating for reform in Government, and advancing professional education in sustainable and resilient design.

2016 Emily A. Grandstaff-Rice

Boston MA

Emily Grandstaff-Rice AIA leads a national conversation about the 21st century practice of architecture through exploring new business models for architects, driving cultural change in the Institute, and envisioning a new concept of continuing education.

2016 Lester Korzilius

London UK

Through his leadership and service to the Institute, Lester Korzilius has led the profession by advancing the influence and promoting the values of the AIA and American architecture internationally.

2016 Irvin A. Pearce

Raleigh NC

Irvin Pearce has harnessed and inspired the collective energy and creativity of a generation of architects, contractors, and students through his leadership in the AIA, his community, and his own practice.

2015 Thomas E. Bitnar

Bozeman MT

Thomas Bitnar has served the Institute and its members by expanding the influence and principles of the AIA internationally through enduring relationships established with design professionals and other stakeholders in Central and Eastern Europe.

2015 J. Michael Cox

Asheville NC

Through his professional leadership and AIA service, Mike Cox is positioning the profession to survive unprecedented challenges and is shaping an environment for the profession of architecture to thrive.

2015 John R. Forbes

Coral Gables FL

John believes the AIA must be more than a professional association, having a more visible and important role in the community. Throughout his years of service, John has promoted the idea of chapter advocacy and community awareness by promoting a component that engages, educates and leads the profession and public.

2015 Robert Herman

Salt Lake City UT

Robert Herman, AIA, raises the influence of the Institute and architects making superior built environments. His efforts have enhanced Institute services and outreach, shaped innovative design advocacy initiatives, and created exemplary public design work.

2015 Yael S. Kinsky

Tel Aviv, Israel

Yael S. Kinsky is a global ambassador for the AIA. She founded AIA/Continental Europe Chapter's Israel Section and elevated AIA members' international practice and business, by advocating successfully for improved design and many regulatory reforms.

2015 Natividad (Nati) Soto

Coral Gables FL

Natividad Soto, AIA has effectively and enthusiastically led the Institute by influencing architects, emerging professionals and the public through effective leadership, mentorship and community initiatives to advance the appreciation of the architectural profession.

2014 Daniel Stephen Hart

Midland TX

Through bold leadership and persistent collaboration, Dan Hart ended an intractable and enervating decades-long regulatory fight in Texas and refocused the Texas Society of Architects to be the definitive voice for architecture in the state.

2014 Valerie Hassett

Arlington VA

Valerie Hassett created programs and organizational frameworks for women in architecture at the local, state and national levels. She leveraged them as pathways to leadership, engagement, advocacy and outreach, promoting the AIA to industry organizations.

2014 Timothy C. Hawk

Columbus OH

As an AIA leader and innovative practitioner, Timothy Hawk has made design present in a mid-sized city and advanced knowledge exchange among architects and allied professionals through improved digital access, collaborative models and educational programming.

2014 Suzanna Wight Kelley

Washington DC

Suzanna Wight Kelley has transformed the profession and enriched career pathways for interns and young architects. She is a national leader who has inspired a generation with her innovative approach to advocacy, mentorship, and collaboration.

2014 Mary Morissette (best example)

Denver CO

Through effective leadership, Mary Morissette has made profound impacts on the way architects advocate, serve their communities and mentor young leaders. She has achieved marked transformation in the stature of the architect.

2014 Celeste Allen Novak

Ann Arbor MI

With over two-million online continuing education readers, Celeste Allen Novak is a national advocate and leader of the profession at towards an ever increasing commitment for environmental best practices and community sustainability initiatives.

2014 Thierry Paret

Doha, Qatar

Thierry Paret, through his exceptional leadership in the creation of the Middle East Chapter of the AIA, has expanded the outreach of the Institute by engaging design professionals and stakeholders, enhancing our profession internationally.

2014 Jana K Phillips

Stillwater OK

Jana K Phillips, AIA is a broker-negotiator and bridge-building leader for both the profession and industry. From practice to construction to communities she brings unified advocacy for the built environment across the country.

2014 Edward Alan Vance

Las Vegas NV

Edward Vance's vision and commitment have unified and strengthened Western Mountain Region chapters and components, while celebrating and advocating service and engagement nationally. His efforts position the profession to better serve and contribute to society

2014 Peter N. Vincent

Honolulu HI

Peter Vincent's exemplary and sustained leadership of the profession advances design excellence and the influential role of the architect. His recognized endeavors inspire next generation leaders, invigorate the Institute component, and impact critical community concerns.

2014 Edward T. Zeigler, Jr.

Greenville SC

Ed Zeigler, AIA transformed the profession's convention practices, improving knowledge access for all members. His efforts resuscitated AIAS, ensuring its continuance and viability, while presenting future architects with expanded awareness of professional and organizational service.

2013 John P. Claypool

Philadelphia PA

John Claypool, Executive Director, AIA Philadelphia has expanded services to architects, created greater public understanding of architecture and led community wide transformational design, development and growth initiatives in Philadelphia and the Nation.

2013 Russell Davidson

Mount Kisco NY

A national, state and local AIA leader and inspirational practitioner, Russell A. Davidson consistently advances a broad advocacy strategy including legislative, regulatory and public initiatives that elevates the role of Architects and promotes design excellence.

2013 Richard DeYoung

Pittsburgh PA

Dedicated to leadership through inclusive collaboration and consensus-building, Rich DeYoung has increased the profession's influence on legislative issues, improved the public perception of the power of design, and strengthened the impact of architects in practice.

2013 Martin A. Diaz-Yabor

Miami FL

Martin A. Diaz-Yabor, AIA; 'Through his dedication, commitment and leadership has led the institute by expanding governance, creating educational and innovative non-dues revenue programs and events, serving the institute, its members and the community'.

2013 Tim Favrot, Jr.

Metairie LA

For 50 years Tim Favrot has been a key Institute leader in New Orleans and Louisiana, providing philanthropy and guidance as an advocate for Urban Planning, Historic Preservation, Architectural Education and the Arts.

2013 Jeffrey Gill

Newport Beach CA

Through his exemplary service as a visionary volunteer, regional leader, and component executive, Jeffrey Gill has advocated the importance of architects within our communities, created innovative programs, and enhanced the value of AIA membership

2013 Christopher J. Green

Avon CO

An exceptional national leader, Chris Green, AIA, vigorously committed to national, regional and local advocacy has effected significant, leading edge energy and resource conservation changes in national building codes, enhancing the practice of architecture.

2013 Shannon B. Kraus

Washington DC

Shannon's leadership, through vision and collaboration, created strategic direction for Architects, Interns, and students by transforming the Institute's knowledge initiative, evolving internship and licensure, and fostering a more collaborative practice.

2013 Orlando T. Maione

Stony Brook NY

Orlando T. Maione, AIA broke new ground in the profession as a corporate architect and served as an influential AIA leader in California and New York, significantly enhancing the profession's public affairs and advocacy efforts.

2013 Terrence E. O'Neal

New York NY

Terrence O'Neal is an agent of change making significant contributions through Institute and community leadership, leading to a transformed perception of the architect in the eyes of the public.

2013 Trula Marie Haley Remson

Baton Rouge LA

Trula Remson, AIA, has elevated the influence of the architectural profession by leveraging her extensive AIA leadership experiences at every component level to enable architects to more effectively guide the public decision-making and planning processes.

2013 John W. Rogers

Cincinnati OH

John Rogers, AIA, FACHA leads the Institute through innovation and insight by strengthening fiscally responsible planning that naturally enhances sustainability and focuses the AIA's resources for greater member value at all levels.

2013 William David Seider

Eugene OR

Through his extensive experience and exceptional leadership shaping and managing AIA's Continuing Education program, William Seider, AIA fostered nationwide acceptability of Continuing Education Requirements for architects, improving program quality, standards and service to AIA Members.

2013 A. Vernon Woodworth III

Boston MA

Vernon Woodworth leads the development and implementation of progressive construction codes promoting their use as instruments of public policy and catalysts for sustainability, design excellence, greater social justice, and human health.

2012 Stacy A. Bourne

St. Thomas VI

Stacy A. Bourne, AIA has significantly furthered the AIA and the profession by increasing representation, advancing diversity and fostering inclusion, nationally, regionally and locally, through building collaborative relationships and expanding knowledge.

2012 Mary A. Burke

New York NY

Mary Burke seeks to further the reach of design, integrating the practice of architecture with interior architecture and championing the power of collaboration in achieving transformative design.

2012 James Peter Clark

Washington DC

James Clark's leadership through the AIA has created programs that empower collaborative connections which harness and direct the collective knowledge and talents of architects, students and institutions to inspire awareness, creativity, education and excellence.

2012 James Determan

Baltimore MD

Jim Determan, AIA has strengthened the architectural profession by promoting and advocating sound public policy; creating innovative vehicles for sharing knowledge nationwide; and expanding communication, public awareness, and diversity in the profession.

2012 Linna Jane Frederick

Beaufort SC

An exemplary advocate-architect and architect-advocate, Jane Frederick, AIA, has demonstrated to the public and to architects that "architects matter", through her professional leadership, engagement in the political process, and community education.

2012 Lawrence R. Livergood

Forsyth IL

Through his state and national leadership, Lawrence Livergood has made defining contributions to the mission of the Institute by advancing legislative policy, improving member services, elevating member stature, and enhancing membership programs and benefits.

2012 Ed Shriver, Jr.

Pittsburgh PA

Ed Shriver founded AIA's Retail and Entertainment Knowledge Community, which under his leadership raised the prominence of retail architecture, promoted knowledge-based design and improved retail and entertainment environments, strengthening our communities and our profession.

2012 Lourdes Solera

Miami FL

Lourdes Solera has elevated the public awareness of the power of design and the influence of architects through leadership and community initiatives.

2012 Walton R. Teague

Greensboro NC

Walton R. Teague's sustained leadership and extensive commitment to public outreach and the promotion of the value of architects culminated in a tranformational mission, an unprecedented landmark, and lasting resources, all to serve future generations.

2011 Don Brown Montgomery AL

An exceptional leader in advocacy, Don Brown, AIA has effected measurable Federal-level improvements for architects, expanded the AIA's political outreach, fostered member engagement in government relations, and impacted state and local legislative and regulatory affairs.

2011 Christine E. Bruckner Stanley, Hong Kong

Leading with dedicated commitment and integrity, Christine inspires international participation in AIA collaborative initiatives, raises awareness for sustainability in design, advances the value of architecture, and expands the Institute's outreach in the Asia Pacific region.

2011 Richard L. Ford, Jr. Richmond VA

For more than 40 years, Richard L. Ford, Jr., AIA, has proven himself to be a leader of extraordinary focus and strength of character. His service to the Institute, the Virginia Society AIA, and the

2011 Cheri Rodgers Gerou Evergreen CO

Cheri Rodgers Gerou, AIA, through a lifetime of leadership within her community and profession, has introduced programs, initiatives and legislation that help preserve the environment, establish financial security and defend the profession.

2011 Gerald Steven Jernigan Pensacola FL

Steve Jernigan's leadership through governmental advocacy and public affairs initiatives influence component strategies throughout the country. He is a nationally recognized innovator in member communications and in legislative programs protecting the practice of architecture.

2011 Debra S. Kunce Indianapolis IN

Debra Kunce is an extraordinary AIA leader and emerging professionals advocate. She is a driving force behind transforming AIA's future through integrated media, governance, and strategic planning at all levels of the institute.

2011 Dr. Ronald Lu Wanchai, Hong Kong

Through his compelling leadership, Ronald Lu has created durable principles for sustainable planning and design, served as dynamic ambassador and influential advocate for the AIA, and raised the profession's prominence and prestige in Hong Kong.

2011 Dale McKinney Sioux City IA

Dale McKinney has led the institute as an effective leader to organize and facilitate the transformation of the experience, process, standards and outcomes of internship, resulting in a more seamless and meaningful path to licensure.

2011 Andrew Mendelson Chicago IL

Andrew Mendelson, AIA, is dedicated to financially advancing architects' practices through better professional service agreements. When contracts are crafted for fairness and equity for all parties, architects, their businesses and the industry benefit and thrive.

2011 Robin L Murray Trenton NJ

Ms. Murray is an extraordinary leader, enhancing the role of architects in society, expanding their influence and increasing public awareness of design. Her talent and collaborative spirit engage alliances for change, advancing the profession.

2011 Burton L. Roslyn Roslyn Heights NY

Roslyn's focus and motivation continues to drive change in the national dialogue on design and construction of the built environment. He is a Thought Leader on Project Delivery and Architect Led Design Build.

2011 Reeves W. Wiedeman Kansas City MO

Reeves elevated the influence of architects and increased the public's awareness of the importance of design through boldly extroverted programs and initiatives.

2010 Peter J. Arsenault Manlius NY

Through national leadership, service, and advocacy, Peter J. Arsenault has advanced the profession of architecture by furthering green building design practices, leading the development of sustainable communities, and educating the profession and the public nationwide.

2010 Michel C. Ashe Virginia Beach VA

With a passion for his profession, and a conviction to serve the Institute, Michel Ashe makes a difference by advocating unity, diversity, and effectiveness, and by promoting the architect as a partner within the community.

2010 Creed W. Brierre New Orleans LA

Brierre has been a leader of AIA for over 25 years at local and state levels. His accomplishments include establishing an electronic plan distribution system, fee increases on projects and improved public perception of architects.

2010 Grover C. Dear, Jr.

Hong Kong

Grover Dear, AIA, is a dedicated Institute leader whose determination and enthusiasm have expanded the AIA's global outreach and promoted its international influence through his professional example and advocacy for a worldwide architectural community.

2010 Samuel H. Halley

Lexington KY

Sam H. Halley, AIA's persistence and leadership contributed to the demise of a significant threat to the profession and to the crucial relationships necessary for success in the design and construction industry.

2010 R. Kent Mather

Palo Alto CA

One of the first AIA members to serve as architect volunteer, component executive, and regional director, R. Kent Mather forged alliances to inspire national community advocacy, persistently coordinate membership growth, and create student educational opportunities.

2010 Hubert Murray

Cambridge MA

Through practice, writing, teaching and institutional leadership Murray has enriched the Boston Society of Architects and the city with a combination of international outreach and local engagement to develop a humane and sustainable public realm.

2010 Jeffery Taylor Potter

Dallas TX

A passionate leader and enthusiastic collaborator, Jeff Potter, AIA inspired the public's appreciation of the value of architecture, influenced public policy with his tireless advocacy efforts, and motivated the profession's next generation through mentorship.

2010 Miguel A. Rodriguez

Coral Gables FL

Through his dedication and service, Miguel Rodriguez AIA has advanced the profession via his leadership on practice issues, broad based advocacy, meaningful professional development, providing the tools to strengthen our practices and serve our communities.

2010 Jeffrey Marc Rosenblum

Charleston SC

Every small firm practitioner has benefited from the leadership and actions of Jeffrey Rosenblum, AIA. He championed a new ethos, a way of thinking on all Institute levels, which considers small firms in all proceedings.

2010 Bradley D. Schulz

Las Vegas NV

Through his national leadership, service to the Institute and hospitality practice, Bradley D. Schulz, AIA, LEED AP has led the profession by influencing AIA's education and internship policies and by advancing the practice of architecture.

2010 Benedetto Tiseo

Livonia MI

Ben Tiseo, AIA created AIA Michigan's advocacy program to advance the architectural profession. The program is a national model for educating and energizing professionals, students, legislators and citizens in forming a quality built environment.

2009 Martha L. Bennett

Denver CO

Through 30 years of leadership, Martha L. Bennett, AIA, has challenged the Institute to embrace diversity in the profession. Bennett is nationally recognized as a pioneer and first female leader of the Colorado architectural community.

2009 Jonathan L. Fischel

Evanston IL

Jonathan L. Fischel, AIA, has advanced the profession by developing resources and expanding educational opportunities, knowledge sharing, and leadership development for AIA members at all levels of the Institute and the profession.

2009 Rolando Garcia

McAllen TX

Rolando Garcia built a small isolated chapter in the Texas Rio Grande Valley into a vibrant hub of AIA leadership and professional involvement that celebrates its cultural identity and expands horizons for region's architects.

2009 Walter J Hainsfurther

Des Plaines IL

Walter Hainsfurther has pursued his passion for advocacy, superior services, and unification of a more diverse membership, resulting in the AIA being of essential value to the practice and prosperity of architects and their communities.

2009 Mickey Jacob

Tampa FL

Through commitment to leadership Mickey Jacob, AIA has guided the architectural profession in advocacy, appealing to a broad and diverse national audience influencing federal issues dialog, member involvement, design awareness, political contributions and legislative policy.

Object 3 – Coordinate: led the Institute

2009 James R. Kirkpatrick

Denton TX

James Kirkpatrick has led the Institute by advancing the profession internationally. His successes include promoting participation at key meetings resulting in unprecedented attendance, achieving reciprocity among international organizations and emphasizing the Institute's position worldwide.

2009 John Forrest Klockeman

Dundas MN

John Klockeman has led his profession by example with tireless volunteerism for affordable housing, shelter for the homeless, and improved knowledge sharing. His organizational and people-connecting talents have built bridges to a more humane society.

2009 Stephen K. Loos

Denver CO

Inspiring greater commitment and participation, Stephen Loos has created and expanded recognition and engagement for young professionals and established leaders alike through innovative programs and an enhanced sense of professional community.

2009 Forrest R. Lott

Savannah GA

Through bold national leadership, innovative education initiatives and influential service developing the AIA's Integrated Project Delivery Initiative, Forrest R. Lott, AIA, has successfully championed IPD and advanced collaboration between architects, owners and construction experts nationwide.

2009 Garrett Howard Maupin

Anchorage AK

Garrett H. Maupin, AIA, is an innovative leader, consistently guiding AIA Alaska through transitions utilizing contemporary methods and technologies with a sustained commitment to Institute communications, thereby educating and increasing public awareness of the profession.

2009 David N. Moon

San Diego CA

Through service to the Institute and to healthcare architecture, David Moon has advanced our profession by leading organizations, uniting healthcare architects, and informing healthcare providers about the role architecture plays on their patients and community.

2023 Sanford Garner

Indianapolis IN

A visionary and dynamic leader, Sanford strives for a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive profession and society, cultivates strategic partnerships, and fervently mentors the next generation. Passionate about his calling, he transforms lives and communities.

2023 Susan Kliman

Argusville ND

A staunch advocate for diversity in the profession, Susan Schaefer Kliman has facilitated the education of underrepresented populations, the transformation of AXP, and the expansion of paths to licensure through leadership, education, and mentorship.

2023 Kenneth Martin

Petersburg VA

Viewing his efforts as a calling in life, Kenneth Martin advances the architectural profession through his devotion to uplifting the stature of traditionally underrepresented individuals and his dedication to elevating participation by minority groups.

2022 Albert Fabian Zaccone (best example)

North Haledon NJ

An ardent defender and champion of architects, Albert Zaccone's advocacy strengthens lines of communication between regulatory agencies, legislative bodies, academia, AIA and the public, steadily fostering engagement on all fronts and fortifying the profession's standing.

2020 Robert L. Easter

Richmond VA

Robert Easter is a passionate, vocal, and successful advocate for diversity and inclusion in the profession. His activism and leadership, including service as NOMA president, inspires a stronger learning environment for students and emerging professionals.

2020 Randy Steiner (best example)

Chevy Chase MD

An advocate for under-represented individuals striving to be architects, Randy Steiner has shifted the horizon towards greater access and opportunity within the profession through her visionary creation of the Coalition of Community College Architecture Programs.

2019 Terry Lee Allers (best example)

Fort Dodge IA

A mentor at heart, Terry Allers has advanced registration and licensing procedures, easing burdens on young professionals, aligning mentoring and education programs with workplace realities, and alleviating difficult regulatory barriers to ensure the public's safety.

2019 Craig S. Galati

Las Vegas NV

Craig Galati advances professional marketing to serve communities, accelerate professional success and prepare architects and firms for the future. His SMPS, AIA and community leadership presents a 21st century model for architectural practice.

2019 Anzilla R. Gilmore

Fresno TX

Anzilla Gilmore, AIA is profoundly changing the face of the profession with her leadership, tenacity and unwavering commitment to improving how minorities engage the discipline and by creating opportunities that extend beyond the profession.

2019 Kevin M. Holland

Los Angeles CA

Actively *promoting social justice* and *mentoring emerging architects*, Kevin Holland personifies the altruistic architect and exemplifies NOMA's role as a *DIVERSITY ADVOCATE* --restructuring organizationally; expanding partnerships; and, promoting leadership development—impacting academia, communities, and the profession.

2019 Debi L. McDonald

Winthrop MA

Debi's career is characterized by leadership positions in BSA and SCUP; knowledge sharing of higher education topics through BSA/SCUP; conference presentations and articles; and implementation of architectural projects focusing on strategic renovations of campus buildings.

2019 Jim L. Whitaker

Dallas TX

Jim Whitaker's leadership of DBIA profoundly impacts the architectural profession. As advocate, educator, and influencer, he evangelizes for the architect's essential role in all forms of alternative project delivery.

2018 Robert Calvani

Albuquerque NM

Robert Calvani's leadership, commitment and insightful perception of the ARE has transformed internship and licensure to meet 21st century requirements. His advocacy advances interstate practice and regulation to align with today's evolving practice climate.

2018 Kristine A. Harding

Huntsville AL

Kristine Harding's focus on one strategic goal-facilitate licensure-has redefined the profession's approach to ensuring the resiliency of practice in the 21st century and advances strong, active alliances between NCARB and AIA.

2018 Samuel Óghale Oboh

Edmonton AB Canada

A highly-accomplished architect and first African-Canadian President of RAIC, Sam Oboh exemplifies the ideals of stewardship excellence by intensifying public advocacy that strengthens the architectural profession, inspiring diversity and championing transformative initiatives for public good.

2018 Nick Serfass

Washington DC

Nick Serfass has built a healthy future for the profession by empowering, engaging, and motivating the next generation of architects. The profession is stronger and better prepared for the challenges of tomorrow because of him.

2018 Stephen L. Sharp

Springfield OH

Stephen L. Sharp advances the profession by connecting students to the profession, enriching the diversity of the profession, and increasing the speed to registration.

2018 Kermit Duncan Thompson

New Haven CT

Kermit Thompson's Connecticut Architecture Foundation leadership and commitment to education has helped architects pursuing licensure, improved CT school-design processes, shaped architecture students' design thinking, provided scholarships, and introduced built-environment fundamentals to elementary school students.

2017 Kathy Denise Dixon

Washington DC

Kathy Dixon propels women and minorities to the forefront of the design and construction industry through stalwart advocacy, professional service, and transformational mentoring.

2017 Gregory L. Erny

Reno NV

Gregory Erny has advanced architecture through leadership in NCARB and allied organizations and engagement in creating next generation examinations, advocacy for alternative licensure paths, and heightened practice standards at the local, regional, and national levels.

2017 Harry M. Falconer, Jr. (best example)

Washington DC

Harry Falconer AIA, has engaged students, emerging professionals, and practicing architects in an actionorientated dialogue resulting in significant revisions to eliminate barriers and streamline the process of architectural licensure while preserving rigorous requirements.

2017 Stephen Allen Nutt

Washington DC

As advocate and ambassador, Stephen Nutt has shaped international standards of practice and forged new pathways to licensure for U.S. architects seeking recognition abroad by negotiating for mutual recognition of professional credentials around the world.

2017 Bruce W. Sekanick

Warren OH

A passionate national leader, Bruce W. Sekanick advances initiatives, strengthens engagement and promotes mentorship through a consistent commitment to advocacy and political fundraising. A servant of the profession, he elevates the impact of the AIA.

2016 Blakely Carr Dunn

El Dorado AR

Blake Dunn led NCARB as its President to enact the most radical improvements in the IDP since its inception, benefitting both the profession and thousands of emerging professionals each year by reducing time to licensure.

2016 Margo P. Jones

Greenfield MA

In three decades of service, Margo Jones has helped streamline architectural licensure, assert environmental rigor into the licensure process, championed the careers of women architects, and reshaped the educational landscape of Western Massachusetts.

2016 R. Steven Lewis

Los Angeles CA

Steven Lewis is a tireless champion of cultural diversity, leveraging his leadership in the AIA and NOMA to foster a greater understanding and appreciation of the value of contributions made by all segments of society.

2016 Dennis Simmons Ward

Florence SC

Dennis Ward forever changed the architectural profession by exploring, developing and implementing a new path to licensure, providing emerging professionals expanded options for achieving registration, facilitating international mobility, and ensuring a sustained professional population.

2015 Gary E. Demele

Minneapolis MN

Through leadership, advocacy and sustained outreach, Gary Demele has advanced the profession of architecture by transforming internship policy, streamlining licensure and creating mentorship opportunities for Emerging Professionals at the national, state and local level.

2015 Steven T. Ellinger

Abilene TX

A long time leader on the state and national stage, Steve Ellinger advanced legislation and policies that protect and elevate the profession, reduce regulatory bureaucracy of practice, and strengthened architect's standing in the public sphere.

2015 Anne Kolman Smith (best example)

Savannah GA

Anne Kolman Smith's decade of NCARB national and regional leadership has affected significant aspects of the profession through groundbreaking decisions to improve the IDP, ARE, national and international reciprocal licensing, and mentorship of future architects.

2015 Alfred Vidaurri, Jr.

Fort Worth TX

Alfred Vidaurri has created alternate and expedited paths to licensure, achieved far-reaching and beneficial regulatory changes and strengthened academic accreditation requirements to remove impediments and open the doors for a robust, more globally connected profession.

2013 Kenneth J. Naylor

Salt Lake City UT

Kenneth J. Naylor led NCARB through a difficult period of management transformation and economic challenge while realizing hallmark improvements in national licensing policy, strengthening AIA cooperation/coordination, thus improving conditions for architects and emerging professionals.

2012 Andrew T. Laguaña

Barrigada GU

Andrew T. Laguaña, AIA, has greatly furthered the architectural profession on Guam and surrounding islands through the AIA Guam & Micronesia Chapter and multiple allied organizations leading both by example and advocacy.

2012 Carlton T. Smith

San Francisco CA

Carlton Smith is an engaged visionary. As president of NOMA he advanced the profession by spotlighting diversity, initiating actionable strategies to increase diversity, and building connections to underserved communities through youth initiatives and design.

2011 Denis Henmi

San Francisco CA

Denis Henmi, AIA led the production of NCARB's IDP 2.0, Supervisor Guidelines, and Emerging Professionals Companion, programs that formally enriched and standardized the internship process for the benefit of interns, students, educators, and the profession.

2011 Douglas Bryan Sydnor

Scottsdale AZ

Elevating a public awareness of the southwest's significant historic and inspiring Sonoran Desert architecture, Doug Sydnor advances practice through extensive community leadership, architectural excellence, and commitment to education.

2011 Kim Tanzer

Charlottesville VA

Through her distinguished leadership of the ACSA and AIA and creation of the National Academy of Environmental Design, Kim Tanzer has expanded the boundaries of design for the benefit of the profession and the public.

2010 Sho-Ping Chin

Boston MA

Sho-Ping Chin has a way of bringing out the best in those around her: a project team, the client body, and her colleagues in the AIA. She inspires others to advance initiatives into enduring legacies.

2010 Kevin J. Flynn

St. Louis MO

Through his leadership as President of the Illuminating Engineering Society, Kevin J. Flynn,AIA,IES has directly benefited the role that architects play in managing the power of lighting to create healthy, productive, energy-efficient, and inspiring environments.

2010 Alex Klatskin

Teterboro NJ

Alex Klatskin's leadership of NAIOP and the American Architectural Foundation and his commitment to architectural education reflect his unique developer-architect perspective. His contributions enhance commercial real estate's vitality and increase opportunities for practitioners and students.

2010 Robert E. Luke

Meridian MS

Under Robert Luke's leadership as NCARB President, his consensus building skills fostered collaboration with collateral organizations resulting in improved access to the practice of architecture for Emerging Professionals enhancing the quality of their intern experience.

2010 James M Robertson

Eugene OR

Through his exemplary leadership in the Construction Specifications Institute, James M. Robertson has developed and promoted international standards for design documentation and construction administration advancing significantly the practice of design and construction.

2009 Belmont Freeman

New York NY

Advancing its mission as a forum for new ideas, Belmont Freeman revitalized Storefront for Art and Architecture as its president, applying his dynamic leadership, award-winning design talent and insightful scholarship.

2009 Bruce M. Justice

Chesterfield VA

Bruce Justice directed the AIA Trust, significantly increasing the availability of quality benefits for all architects. His tireless efforts on Virginia's important Art and Architecture Review Board exemplified his commitment to excellence in public architecture.

Object 3 – Coordinate: led a related professional organization

2009 Melinda E. Pearson Lincoln NE

Melinda Pearson's pioneering initiatives and leadership in the top architectural organizations drives significant advances in national and international practice standards and the licensing process.

2009 James R Washington New Orleans LA

James Washington's leadership of NOMA over the past decade was an essential ingredient in the increasingly fruitful AIA drive to achieve the increasing diversity we are witnessing today at all levels of the architecture profession.

2009 Peter M. Winters Dallas TX

Through his practice, service to the institute, and leadership of IFMA, Pete Winters advances the profession by influencing real estate, facility management and workplace strategies, both nationally and internationally.

2023 Jeremy R. M. Shannon

Sparrow Bush NY

Successfully developing the design path for more than a thousand public schools to become net zero carbon emission buildings is the culmination of aggressive climate stewardship throughout Jeremy Shannon's professional practice.

2023 Jodi Smits Anderson

Albany NY

Jodi Smits Anderson's systems thinking builds the multisolving capability of every team. Her direct, engaging approach to discovery, knowledge share, inclusion and community activism aligns and advances professional practice, climate goals and policy work.

2022 Kathryn Lauria Horne

Charlotte NC

Kathryn Horne challenges the status quo and presents new ideas to inspire academic leaders and architects to think differently about aligning institutional goals to support students, by transforming how projects are planned and designed.

2022 William S. Mullane (best example)

Austin TX

A proponent of high-performing, sustainable and innovative approaches to campus architecture, Bill Mullane develops, promotes and realizes visionary projects that are essential to supporting institutional missions and to helping transform the communities they serve.

2022 Sarah Woodhead

Washington DC

Sarah Woodhead is an international champion for re-imagining and rebuilding public schools in impoverished communities. Her tenacious advocacy, purposeful innovation, and visionary leadership transform the lives of children and empower communities locally and globally.

2021 Benjamin Cahoon (best example)

Nags Head NC

Mayor Ben Cahoon combines practice with community leadership by blending resilient design strategies, sustainability education, and legislative advocacy to address climate change impacts and improve the quality of life for inhabitants of fragile coastal environments.

2021 Kathleen Galvin

Charlottesville VA

Kathleen M. Galvin synthesizes her work as an architect, citizen and elected official, to create just, healthy places; build sustainable, connected communities; and end poverty, while inspiring young architects to answer the call to serve.

2021 Alice Raucher

Charlottesville VA

As an architect, educator, and design leader of two internationally recognized university campuses, Alice Raucher consistently strives to build community through her commitment to innovative campus planning, historical relevance, and architectural design excellence.

2020 David H. Barkin

Woodbridge CT

David Barkin advances the profession with tireless public and professional leadership advocating for excellence in public architecture, preservation of significant public works and education of his peers through practice improvements.

2020 Porie Saikia (best example)

Bayside NY

Porie Saikia has demonstrated exemplary leadership by driving design excellence in civic architecture and championing innovative project delivery to enhance the built environment experience, benefiting millions in the New York region and the world.

2020 Robert R. Smith

Tucson AZ

Robert R. Smith's insistence on architectural excellence has nurtured public building design consciousness nationally. He has successfully developed and shared innovations in project delivery and quality based architectural selection processes for public facility architects.

2019 Bruce D. Eisenberg

New York NY

Bruce Eisenberg has spent his career transforming public sector architecture by raising design standards for housing, buildings and parks. His work enhances design quality by skillfully combining sustainability with thoughtful preservation.

2019 Joseph D. Lahendro

Charlottesville VA

Through his leadership, management, and advocacy, Joseph Lahendro has utilized his historic preservation experience to advance the reintegration of historic landmarks at the University of Virginia into the modern life of students and community.

2019 Burchell F. Pinnock

Richmond VA

Burt Pinnock skillfully leverages the power of contextualized design and architecture to inclusively transform the city of Richmond into a more equitable and beautiful place to for all residents to call home.

2019 Richard C. Yancey (best example)

New York NY

Extending his passion for designing sustainably crafted architecture, Richard Yancey has created a pioneering international center of excellence dedicated to building energy efficiency, addressing one of the biggest challenges of our time.

2018 Vishaan Chakrabarti

New York NY

Dedicated to advancing architecture for the public, enhancing community and creating neighborhoods, Vishaan Chakrabarti has spent his career focused on the enduring public metropolis, the design of its shared spaces, buildings and infrastructures.

2018 Bernard Costantino

Columbus OH

As University Architect for the nation's largest university, Bernard Costantino, AIA, has transformed a loose assemblage of buildings into a vibrant, sustainable urban campus.

2018 Timothy J. Griffin

Saint Paul MN

Tim Griffin's exemplary urban design and strategic planning career has focused on prototypical, participatory design and public engagement methods that underscore the force, impact and value of design advocacy; historic care, and insightful future logic.

2018 James H. Kolker

St. Louis MO

Balancing respect for historic legacy with innovative design, James Kolker, AIA, leads the transformation of university campuses, creating iconic places of learning, and redefines the role of university architects to impact communities locally and nationwide.

2018 Emily Marthinsen

Berkeley CA

Emily Marthinsen, UC Berkeley's Campus Architect and Planner, leads innovative collaborations that shape thriving university communities. A respected thought leader and design advocate, she inspires universities and cities to cultivate resilient futures.

2018 David W. Robinson (best example)

Houston TX

David Robinson's effectiveness as a Houston City Council member is built on his professional experience, his work with AIA Dallas and AIA Houston, and his years of volunteering with grassroots and civic organizations.

2017 Isaac Benton

Albuquerque NM

With the conviction that we all deserve good design and to participate in the making of our own environments, Councilmember Isaac Benton continues a lifelong career putting architecture to work in service to the community.

2017 William Cunningham

New York NY

Bill Cunningham, as its first Campus Architect, has used design excellence to transform Weill Cornell Medicine's campus into the embodiment of the highest standards of medical education, research, and practice with national and global influence.

2017 John Hugh Gormley

Camarillo CA

As a knowledge leader for innovative learning environments, John Gormley has transformed a historic campus from a place of isolation and containment to a place of innovation and collaboration while influencing campus architecture nationally.

2017 Thomas L. Grassi

New York NY

Thomas Grassi devoted his career to being a manager for transformative regional transportation projects, a leader rebuilding Lower Manhattan and World Trade Center transportation infrastructure, and an ambassador sharing the story of architecture's healing power.

2017 Michael A. Harwood

Eugene OR

Michael Harwood's public-private partnership building, integrated planning, and non-traditional approach to design review for NC State University's Centennial Campus shape a 21st century model for uniting higher education, research and private entities for technological innovation.

2017 Mark R. Johnson

Cambridge MA

Mark Johnson's exemplary leadership, during challenging times in higher education, strengthened and reinvigorated the role of architecture and planning as essential parts of Harvard University's educational mission.

2017 Mark Nickita

Detroit MI

As an urbanist, architect, civic leader and entrepreneur, Mark Nickita, AIA is a city builder, creating, re-establishing and repairing the physical environment to achieve a walkable, pedestrian experience to enhance one's quality of life.

2016 Douglas C. Bencks

Durham NH

Doug Bencks has developed and instilled a comprehensive approach to sustainable planning and design excellence at the University of New Hampshire that has become a model for institutions of higher education across North America.

2016 Gilbert Delgado

Ithaca NY

Gilbert Delgado has significantly advanced the quality of the built environment through his leadership in promoting and achieving design excellence, sensitive utilization of historic properties and innovative campus planning.

2016 Douglas C. Hanna (best example)

Ann Arbor MI

Douglas C. Hanna, AIA, has dramatically influenced and guided the quality of the built environment at the University of Michigan, significantly improving the educational, research and healing experiences while making sustainability an undisputed standard.

2016 Duane L. Jonlin

Seattle WA

Duane Jonlin, AIA, leads the evolution in building regulations, pushing for more sustainable design and higher performance, helping to achieve AIA's 2030 Challenge and maintaining the profession's leadership on climate change.

2016 Ed Soltero

Tempe AZ

Through his exemplary leadership, Ed Soltero has woven design excellence into a 21st Century model for sustainable placemaking, supported a transformative educational pedagogy within college campuses and enriched peoples' lives through design discourse.

2015 Randy Ivan Atlas

Fort Lauderdale FL

Randy Atlas has ensured the advancement of living standards of people, and the field of architecture through their improved environments by educating and implementing field of crime prevention (CPTED), improved security, safety and accessible design.

2015 Rick L. Benner (best example)

Bellingham WA

Rick Benner advances the quality of public architecture. He promotes excellence in campus planning and design, while elevating the standards for architectural practice; he is a leader who shapes public policy and legislation nation-wide.

2015 Laura A. Cruickshank (best example)

Storrs CT

While directing planning at three universities, Laura Cruickshank has raised the level of awareness of its importance, and through her leadership has created the environment for architectural excellence and preservation and maintenance of important structures.

2015 Judith M. Kunoff

New York NY

Judith Kunoff, Chief Architect of MTA NYCT, strongly promotes leveraging civic architecture to enhance the public experience of the built environment, improving the transit experience for millions daily.

2015 Jeanne Elizabeth MacLeamy

Novato CA

"Citizen Architect" Jeanne MacLeamy, as Mayor and Councilmember, led the effort to restore the heart and preserve the edge of Novato, California, avoiding the homogenizing fate of so many towns across America.

2015 Jim Nielson

Salt Lake City UT

Jim Nielson, AIA, is an architect, elected official, and community builder. He has brought volunteer work, public service and architecture together to elevate the profession, safeguard our natural resources, and build vibrant communities.

2015 Gracia Maria Shiffrin

Chicago IL

A multifaceted architect at the crossroads of the nonprofit and public sectors, Gracia Shiffrin has forged a unique career path while advancing the living standards of vulnerable populations, strengthening neighborhoods and preserving Chicago's historic fabric.

2014 Anthony C. Floyd

Scottsdale AZ

Anthony Floyd is a champion of practical building regulations, innovative building systems and environmentally-informed public policy. As Green Building Manager and Building Official, Anthony was instrumental in establishing Scottsdale as a Sustainability Leader nationwide.

2014 Vergel Lee Gay, Jr. (best example)

College Station TX

Vergel L. Gay, Jr. has advanced the practice of architecture as a public architect in the corporate and higher education worlds, leading in Integrated Project Delivery and Building Information Modeling, and by encouraging professional diversity.

2014 Arlen M. Solochek

Phoenix AZ

With a passion for coaching, Arlen Solochek, AIA has distinguished himself as an inspirational and nurturing mentor to his profession, an exemplar of owner best practices and model for the architect as the client.

2013 Belinda Stewart

Eupora MS

Belinda Stewart has influenced and enabled small towns and communities to value and restore their built environment, see the beauty and significance of their uniqueness, and celebrate their embodied history and energy.

2013 Amanda Sturgeon

Seattle WA

Through practice, advocacy and leadership, Amanda Sturgeon has expanded the adoption of green building nationally and internationally. Her passion and commitment create powerful solutions to a restorative future through policy and program adoption.

2011 Pevton Bovd

Abingdon VA

Peyton Boyd's extraordinary advocacy for a heightened public awareness of the designed environment complements his long-held belief that the architectural profession can help citizens achieve a more balanced life and a more livable future.

2011 Guy Hagstette

Houston TX

Guy Hagstette has transformed downtown Houston into a mixed-use, 24-hour urban district with inviting public spaces, commercial, residential, and entertainment venues, setting an example for others to follow in cities without strong urban design traditions.

2011 Thomas Hirsch

Madison WI

Nominee's commitment to causes that affect human habitability has resulted in national precedent-setting standards for floodplain management, effective advocacy for persons with disabilities, and affordable housing that highly energy efficient and incorporates renewable energy.

2011 Wm. Raymond Manning

New Orleans LA

Ray Manning's ability to analyze urban problems has put him center-stage in New Orleans. He connects and energizes people with visions of sustainable, progressive cities and with principles and plans for their improvement and resilience.

2010 Edward J. Denton

Berkeley CA

Edward J. Denton pioneered innovative concepts/processes/plans making a distinct and lasting impression in the fields of both higher education and healthcare delivery, not only in California, but also nationally and worldwide.

2010 Kenn Gardner

Raleigh No

Interweaving architecture and public policy, Kenn Gardner is a model citizen architect, who has turned strategy into actions that promote conscientious development in one of the nation's highest profile communities.

2010 Lia Gartner

New York NY

Lia Gartner's leadership of vast departments and projects, advancement of her fellow architects, and commitment to design excellence have elevated public architecture and the role of the profession.

2010 Charles A. Higueras

San Francisco CA

A devoted advocate for design excellence in public buildings, Charles Higueras has developed and instituted methodologies for the successful commissioning, design, construction, and assessment of highest-quality civic architecture, in San Francisco, throughout California, and nationwide.

Object 4 - Ensure: public service work

2010 James Tipton Housewright

Dallas TX

Tipton Housewright has tirelessly volunteered his leadership in architecture and design to transform numerous organizations and communities, elevating their quality and aspirations through his service.

2010 Mary Louise Jurkowski

Raleigh NC

Lou Jurkowski has dedicated her career to advancing public architecture by aligning the profession with the building industry, fostering diversity and reforming legal and regulatory methodologies to improve the practice of architecture.

2010 Lawrence Scarpa

Santa Monica CA

Through the lens of environmental responsibility and social justice, Lawrence Scarpa, by work and example has reinvented how architects can influence the built environment by using design as an engine of change and innovation.

2009 Joanna M. Pestka

New York NY

Through design excellence, innovation and leadership, Joanna Pestka has raised the quality of design for numerous libraries, education and cultural institutions in New York City. Her efforts will enrich public architecture for years to come.

2023 Charles Cash

Louisville KY

A widely recognized leader in urban design and preservation, Charles Cash's extensive public service advances urban revitalization, community policy initiatives, and civic projects, championing built-environment excellence regionally through practice and establishing exemplary national models.

2023 Christos Chrysiliou

Los Angeles CA

Christos Chrysiliou AIA, the District Architect for the nation's second-largest school district, has developed an approach to school design that serves as a national model for building sustainable, healthy and creative educational environments.

2023 Lance Davis

Edgewater MD

Lance Davis revolutionizes sustainable design excellence for the Federal building portfolio. He creates domestic policy, champions international standards, and broadens architectural practice to realize a climate-resilient and healthy future, cultivating a national example globally.

2023 Walter Jones

Middelburg Heights OH

By his outstanding leadership, inclusiveness, and advocacy for excellence in design and planning for healthcare organizations, Walter Jones, AIA, creates transformative environments to advance the health, wellness, beauty, and value of the communities they serve.

2023 Bryan Lijewski (best example)

East Lansing MI

Bryan Lijewski, AIA, dedicates his career and passion to preserving the historic built environment by educating and engaging the public and professionals while saving lighthouses, landmarks, and downtowns.

2023 William Mallari

Takoma Park MD

As master planning and architectural services manager, Bill Mallari reinvented the University of Maryland campus, elevating the built environment, restoring site ecology, and uplifting the lives of generations of students from around the globe.

2022 Carla Bonacci (best example)

Westfield NJ

Carla Bonacci's twenty-year leadership in rebuilding the World Trade Center established planning principles, guided an unprecedented number of diverse stakeholders--the public, private equity, transportation and government-- creating the vibrant Campus reflective of its enduring significance.

2022 Margaret M. Carney (best example)

Ithaca NY

Through tenacious advocacy of excellence in planning and design, University Architect Margaret Carney has led transformative institutional and physical change, orchestrating the creation of beautiful high-performance built environments that strengthen communities and inspire people.

2022 Michael T Cetera

Staten Island NY

For over half a century of public service, Michael has significantly improved the lives of millions of people through his leadership in architecture, vital infrastructure, and open space in the global city of New York.

2021 Rudolph Cardenas

Raleigh NC

Rudolph Cardenas transformed the learning environment of a historically underserved university through planning, design, and sustainability, restored neglected places with respect and integrity, and expanded service beyond themes, while demonstrating leadership in public architecture.

2021 David Hollenberg (Industry Organization) (best example) Philadelphia PA

As an architect-client, David Hollenberg has guided the creation and preservation of nationally acclaimed buildings and spaces, uniting the architecture profession's highest aspirations for memorable placemaking, cultural significance, sustainability, effective functionality, and superior craft.

2021 Laura Stagner

Cherry Hill NJ

Laura Stagner has transformed the practice of public architecture. Leading innovative project delivery practices, and shaping national policy to support collaborative teams, she ensures excellence in delivery of high performing federal architecture throughout the country.

2020 Avi Grigoresco (Industry Organization)

Playa Vista CA

Determined to improve the way people experience hospitals, Avi Grigoresco has masterfully altered the development, design and construction of medical facilities, to provide an instant positive reality for patients, doctors, nurses, and surrounding community.

2020 Alix Walsh O'Brien

Los Angeles CA

Alix O'Brien, a leader in design management and project delivery, has profoundly shaped kindergarten through college educational environments with a client's strategic vision for planning and design excellence, benefiting almost 1 million Southern California students.

2020 Barbara Spandorf (best example)

New York NY

Barbara Spandorf champions architectural practice through her leadership in creating award-winning facilities in the public realm. Skillfully working with diverse stakeholders, she advocates and realizes inspiring civic projects that advance institutional missions and transform communities.

2019 Michael W. Johns

Philadelphia PA

Michael Johns has used public advocacy, innovative design, national/ international influence and economic impact to consistently demonstrate that a public housing authority can provide safe, affordable, quality housing that revitalizes urban environments and communities.

2019 Mary Elizabeth Rusz (best example)

New York NY

As Public Architect and Urban Designer, Mary Elizabeth Rusz is a leader in community regeneration, design innovation and conservation. Her neighborhood strategies, thoughtful interventions, and design solutions make life better for the communities she serves.

2018 Edward H. Adelman

Boston MA

Edward Adelman improved the quality and sustainability of public architecture. He established innovative architect selection and facility reinvestment processes, serving as models for public and private institutions to achieve and sustain high quality, affordable projects.

2018 Denise M. Berger

New York NY

Denise Berger's leadership and advocacy resulted in the highest standards of design excellence for transportation and infrastructure projects. Her innovative policies and programs produced groundbreaking outcomes, elevating the stature of architecture in the public realm.

2018 Randall J. Biallas

Washington DC

Randy Biallas leads the preservation of architectural and landscape heritage in America's national parks by shaping policy, setting the standards for preservation practice, and mentoring the next generation of architects and landscape architects.

2018 Anna Franz

Washington DC

Championing a whole-systems approach to preserving, using, enjoying and sustaining national landmarks and other federal facilities, Anna Franz expands the boundaries of traditional practice, empowering owners and users, and inspiring students and professionals.

2018 David J. Insinga

Washington DC

David Insinga champions excellence in federal design and preservation of national historic treasures. Leading collaboration between architects and constituents, Insinga inspires teams to create public buildings and workplaces that surpass stakeholders' expectations and transform communities.

2018 Ronald J. Tomasso (best example)

Washington DC

Ron Tomasso makes accessibility synonymous with diplomacy. Through strategic thinking and leadership, Ron ensures that international facilities for staff and visitors in U.S. Embassies worldwide are accessible.

2018 Bryan Turner

Farmington UT

Bryan Turner, AIA, has advanced educational facility design through his leadership of educators, architects, students and the community, focusing on ideas that enhance student achievement, behavior, and spirit, while embracing the principles of sustainable design.

2017 Lane Joseph Beougher (best example)

Columbus OH

As a public architect, Lane Beougher exhibits exemplary leadership by advancing project delivery methods, advocating for sustainable design, integrating technology into construction processes, leading the Institute and related organizations, and serving his community and profession.

2017 Patrick J. Burke III (best example)

New York NY

With sensitivity to design excellence, Patrick Burke has masterfully transformed Columbia University Medical Center's built environment, inspiring thousands of faculty, researchers, students, and clinicians to pursue the highest levels of knowledge and healing.

2017 Maria Theresita Ciprazo

San Francisco CA

Maria Ciprazo's leadership has transformed public architecture in the federal realm to create a culture of exploration and innovation across all design disciplines to produce federal architecture that is groundbreaking, sustainable and timeless.

2017 Robert D. Eisenstat

New York NY

Robert Eisenstat's leadership and advocacy have resulted in the highest standards of design excellence for transportation and infrastructure projects. His wide-reaching and consequential efforts have raised the stature of the architect in the public realm.

2017 Lawrence Joel Friedberg

Denver CO

A champion for the profession, State Architect Lawrence Friedberg transformed Public Policy into a model for collaboration to empower the practice of architecture and establish sustainable design in public buildings throughout Colorado and the nation.

2017 Edmond George Gauvreau

Washington DC

Ed Gauvreau champions sustainable planning principles and practices for military installations worldwide, energizes education initiatives for sustainable planning and development, and dramatically raises the importance of public architects across the profession.

2017 David Mayhew

Towson MD

As University Architect, David Mayhew AIA, has raised the standard for public architecture at Towson University, and dramatically improved the living and learning environment through the promotion of integrated planning, design innovation, sustainability, and collaboration.

2017 Phillip W. Neuberg

Gaithersburg MD

Phillip Neuberg, an architect in federal service, challenges government officials and scientists to embrace stewardship responsibilities for unique facilities that stand as monuments to the American legacy of healthcare, scientific research, and technological discovery.

2017 Michael Plottel

New York NY

Michael Plottel leads public projects that repair and enrich the fabric of urban life. He continues to make significant contributions to the public architecture community by driving dialogue and research on civic engagement and practice.

2016 Gianne P. Conard

Boston MA

Gianne Conard safeguards the architect's role by supporting designers of federal projects; educating others through lectures, forums, and writing; and striving to ensure that the federal government continues to build today tomorrow's legacy buildings.

2016 Christopher S. Dunlavey

Washington DC

Chris Dunlavey strengthens American communities and broadens the profession of architecture. Through innovative planning and collaborative management, he leads architects, owners, and stakeholders to deliver living, learning, and social centers as enduring community anchors nationwide.

2016 Robert Paul Harris

Washington DC

A global leader in developing military housing, Robert Harris' work supports U.S. service members and their families. His leadership strengthens military retention and quality of life by providing access to safe, affordable, and sustainable communities.

2016 Jonathan Herz

Washington DC

With relentless and effective efforts in ground-breaking research, constant advocacy, and dedicated service to the profession, Jonathan Herz meets challenges with innovation, benefitting society by making sustainability and health central to the government's operations.

2016 Ann Kosmal

Washington DC

Ann Kosmal spearheads climate adaptation action, integrating climate science, environmental justice, and resilient design into federal policy and investment. She magnifies the impact of architectural practice to serve and protect society in a changing climate.

2016 Amy Miller Dowell

Portland OR

Amy brings architectural leadership to government in order to renew communities. Public servant, architect and educator, she expands the profession's influence on municipal decision-making by leading powerful public rejuvenation efforts and guiding a new generation.

2016 Robert P. Theel

Chicago IL

As GSA's first Regional Chief Architect, Robert Theel established the strategic vision and leadership to create a national model for achieving excellence in federal architecture for public buildings across the nation.

2016 Thomas W. Wurtz

Dallas TX

Tom Wurtz leads the development of Dallas' most significant projects. His collaborative leadership and masterful crafting of business deals unites public and private sectors to create outstanding built environments.

2016 Liz Harriss York

Atlanta GA

Liz York, visionary CDC leader, profoundly impacts health and well-being by empowering architects to build better environments through cross-discipline collaborations, translating information into action, and developing the next generation of leaders.

2015 Scott Conwell

Chicago IL

Through education and service, Scott Conwell has equipped thousands of architects with knowledge and tools to design high-performing buildings in brick, tile, and stone. His work has significantly elevated the quality in masonry buildings nationwide.

2015 Donald R. Horn (best example)

Seattle WA

Don Horn is a leader in green building policy development and advocacy within the Federal government, impacting national standards and architectural practice to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of all buildings across the country.

2015 Renee Basist Hutcheson

Raleigh NC

By crafting public policy, establishing best practices in post-occupancy energy analysis, and equipping the profession to act, Renee Hutcheson has transformed the way owners, design professionals and government officials approach energy in the built environment.

2015 Laurie Kerr

New York NY

Laurie Kerr has been a national pioneer in energy efficiency and urban sustainability, translating her innovative, data-driven policies for New York City into a replicable model now being utilized by ten American cities.

2015 Robert L. Ooley

Santa Barbara CA

For twenty-three years Robert's passionate commitment to the pursuit of public sustainable design, cultural resource protection and collaborative work ethic in our communitie been the cornerstones of his career.

2015 Gary R. Payne

Salt Lake City UT

Gary R. Payne, AIA, has advanced educational design through his leadership of educators, architects, elected officials, and the community, focusing on ideas that enhance student achievement, behavior, and morale, incorporating interlocal agreements and energy conservation.

2015 Robert C. Ripley

Lincoln NE

Throughout 32 years of conserving Bertram Goodhue's monumental Nebraska State Capitol, Robert Ripley has advanced the role of public-service architect with striking achievements in historic preservation practices, legislative activism, urban planning, and civic communications.

2015 David F. Trevino

Dallas TX

Combining private sector insights to public sector dedication, David Trevino exemplifies the new Public Architect, leading efforts to advance an Integrated Building Cycle approach to public architecture utilizing new processes and latest technology innovations.

2015 Elissa Winzelberg

New York NY

Elissa Winzelberg has elevated the quality of Supportive Housing in New York City and beyond, effectively combating homelessness by advancing an innovative housing model that promotes design excellence and sustainability.

2014 Jeffrey Averill

Los Angeles CA

Jeffrey Averill has directed design at UCLA through a period of extraordinary growth, creating an innovative model of urban density. He celebrates contemporary expression, honors historic context, and builds a coherent campus exemplifying architectural excellence.

2014 Debra Nauta-Rodriguez (best example) Washington DC

Debra Nauta-Rodriguez leads the building and revitalization of the world's largest museum and research complex. She influences and cultivates an innovative, collaborative stewardship model, invested in design excellence, to house our national heritage.

2013 Jesse D Cannon Jr

New Orleans LA

As the first United States Courts Circuit Architect, Jesse Cannon established the strategic vision and leadership that set the course to shape a national model for courthouse construction that transformed the judiciary and his peers.

2013 Susan A. Chin Bronx NY

Through her personal commitment to conservation and advancement of the standard of public awareness and education, Susan A. Chin has transformed the design of zoos, aquariums and field sites internationally.

2013 William Dupont San Antonio TX

An expert in historic preservation, William Dupont is a communicator, educator, and advocate. Equally emphasizing technical skill, historical knowledge, and cultural sensitivity, he expands preservation's relevance and elevates the value of place in our history.

2013 Stanley O. Graves

Austin TX

Stanley Graves steered the largest state-based preservation initiative in US history to unprecedented success, resurrecting Texas' historic county courthouses and establishing a model for saving America's architectural landmarks and restoring their role in our communities.

2013 Margaret E Newman

New York NY

Margaret Newman has provided leadership to revitalize New York City's public realm. By emphasizing design excellence, prioritizing comprehensive planning, introducing emerging technologies, and facilitating inter-agency collaboration she has shaped a new direction for streetscape design.

2013 Robert Tennenbaum

Columbia MD

For five decades, Robert Tennenbaum has planned, designed, and developed vibrant new towns and revitalized urban centers characterized by design integrity and an abiding respect for the land, the urban context, and the people involved.

2013 Allyne Winderman

Los Angeles CA

Allyne Winderman, as a public architect, dramatically transformed overlooked communities through visionary urban design and award-winning architecture. She created new opportunities for architects and pioneered dynamic collaborations between architects, neighborhood stakeholders, and government officials.

2012 Stephen T. Ayers

Washington DC

Stephen Ayers is enriching the architectural fabric of America's heritage as the 11th Architect of the Capitol. Using his voice as the nation's architect, he advances the design profession in leadership, historic preservation and sustainability.

2012 Zaida Basora

Dallas TX

As a municipal architect, Zaida Basora intervenes strategically as a leader and influencer to shape Dallas' environmental evolution through public policy, planning and design while establishing herself as an advocate, thought leader and role model.

2012 Karen Ivy Fiene

Oakland CA

As Campus Architect for Mills College, Karen Fiene, AIA, is a leader in university planning nationwide, promoting sustainability, creating guidelines for historic resource stewardship, and providing a model of innovative professionalism for young women.

Object 4 – Ensure: government/industry organization

2012 Joyce See-yin Lee

New York NY

Joyce Lee's vision for quality public architecture and leadership changed the national discourse on the relationship between architecture, health and the environment through innovative approaches and programs.

2012 Brenda Sanchez

Washington DC

Brenda Sanchez has advanced sustainable design in cultural institutions and research facilities, nationally and internationally. Her collaborative and grassroots approach has raised the design excellence of local communities and the profession worldwide.

2012 Leslie L. Shepherd

Washington DC

Les Shepherd is the Nation's advocate for Excellence in Design and the preservation of America's historic Public Buildings. His leadership has advanced the development of the federal workplace with high performing and sustainable public architecture.

2012 David D. Tomber

Seattle WA

David Tomber is a public architect who has redefined air terminal design for a post 9/11 world, through innovations focused on the traveling public, toward a more exceptional and environmentally responsible experience for millions worldwide.

2012 Mark Clay Vinson

Tempe AZ

Throughout his multi-faceted career, Mark Vinson has been a relentless advocate for regionally-responsive design and place-making in the desert southwest, while promoting and exemplifying the critical role of an architect in the public realm.

2012 Howard Seth Wertheimer

Atlanta GA

Howard Wertheimer has redefined the planning and design of technically sophisticated university facilities by advancing the integration of architecture, landscape, engineering, technology and sustainability, creating new, innovative models for universities throughout the United States.

2011 Thomas E. Luebke

Washington DC

Thomas Luebke is a national leader in advancing design excellence in the public realm—-addressing the relationship between architecture, its historic context, and urban design—-for the monumental and commemorative structures of the Nation's Capital.

2011 Roksan Okan-Vick

Houston TX

Roksan Okan-Vick has made a lasting, meaningful impact on urban parks and the civic realm. She has significantly enriched Houston's urban fabric and promoted the profession's commitment to the built and natural environments.

2010 Michael Davis

Boston MA

Michael Davis leads public policy formation in his city, state and region by connecting design with governmental action to create a sustainable public realm.

2010 Donald T. Fram

Newark NJ

Donald Fram is the Port Authority of NY & NJ's steward for design excellence and sustainable design, instituting policies and programs that enhance public environments in some of the world's busiest aviation and transportation facilities.

2010 Stephanie Gelb

New York NY

Stephanie Gelb, a public architect, pivotally transforms the urban landscape by bringing the innovation of the design world to the public realm. Her early initiatives are now mainstream and part of our national urban legacy.

2010 Richard L. Gilyard

Minneapolis MN

Richard Gilyard has indelibly shaped the courthouses of our times through his vision, leadership and advancement of knowledge as United States Courts circuit architect and design counsel to the judiciary and his peers.

2010 Bogdan Z. Pestka

New York NY

Through leadership, design excellence, innovative foresight and promotion of sustainable design principles, Bogdan Pestka has raised the quality of design and defined the next generation of public buildings throughout the City of New York.

2010 Francis M. Zwart III

Santa Cruz CA

Through a continuing commitment to site-responsive architecture, Frank Zwart has woven natural and built environments into memorable settings for living and learning, making the University of California, Santa Cruz, a model of enduring campus stewardship.

2009 David H. Hart

Salt Lake City UT

David H. Hart, AIA, was responsible for the innovation of a collaborative integrated delivery process that led to the successful restoration of the Utah State Capitol. This methodology influenced management of complex public projects nationally.

Object 4 – Ensure: government/industry organization

2009 Aram H. Kailian Washington DC

Aram Kailian is a leader who formulated major national government policies that have reaffirmed the focus on downtowns, maintained the vitality of major cities with a prominent federal presence, and empowered communities to rebuild holistically.

2009 Sheryl L Kolasinski Washington DC

Sheryl Kolasinski has enriched our national cultural life by preserving, revitalizing and building a legacy at the world's largest museum complex and thereby has enhanced the Institution's mission through its largest collection – its architecture.

2009 Jay E. Macaulay Dallas TX

Jay Macaulay, AIA has provided influence and foresight in utilizing unprecedented planning and financing initiatives to accomplish public facilities by integrating design and construction expertise with an extensive knowledge of municipal operations.

2009 Anna A. Wu Chapel Hill NC

Anna Wu has redefined the planning and development process at the nation's oldest public university, advancing sustainability, promoting design excellence and creating an innovative campus development model for universities across the country.

Object 5 – Service: alternative career

2023 David Block

Evanston IL

A nationally-recognized leader in affordable housing development, David M. Block has pioneered innovative financing tools for community-focused and masterfully designed housing, supporting careers and practices of a diverse generation of architects and emerging developers.

2023 Victor Olgyay

Boulder CO

Victor Olgyay's practice advances low-carbon architecture internationally to build a climate responsible future. His professional influence extends to high-performance buildings, thought leadership, research, education, and public advocacy for a resilient, climate-conscious built environment.

2022 John Peter Blood

Austin TX

John Blood's multi-faceted work unifies ideal concept and theory with the reality of production, expanding the applications of architectural knowledge into new realms and affirming the role of design in worlds both real and imagined.

2022 Peter Hendee Brown (best example)

Minneapolis MN

Advocating through multiple channels as architect, planner, author, and teacher, Peter Brown proves that we implement better designs for our communities through improved understanding, communication, and respect amongst all stakeholders in the city-building process

2022 Roger Kenneth Leib

Los Angeles CA

Applying holistic architectural strategies, Roger Leib impacts healthcare and patient recovery by transforming inpatient care, improving applicable national codes, and designing transformative products, each effecting profound therapeutic impact on improving health and wellness of society.

2022 Julie M. Skolnicki

Dublin OH

Julie Skolnicki transforms the American educational campus through innovative development models. She establishes industry-wide standards and orchestrates award-winning project teams to create communities that advance institutional goals, ensure financial sustainability, and foster student success.

2019 Joseph Caprile (best example)

Chicago IL

Joseph Caprile has led the transformation of underutilized public and civic spaces into meaningful destinations through his real estate knowledge and architectural advocacy and vision.

2018 Dror Baldinger

San Antonio TX

Dror Baldinger's photography explores and reveals the underlying order, beauty, and poetry of architecture. His images augment the impact of his clients' projects, further their reputations, and enhance public perception and appreciation of architecture.

2018 Charles Davis Smith

Frisco TX

Charles Davis Smith weaves architecture and photography into memorable images that celebrate the architectural experience. He artfully mines for images that speak to a building's spirit while presenting extraordinary design to the global community.

2017 Debra A. Lupton

Orlando FL

Debra Lupton has changed the paradigm of the intersection of architecture and engineering as the CEO/Chairwoman of an international engineering firm, inspiring AEC professionals as an AIA activist, interpreter, integrator, sustainability champion and business pacesetter.

2016 Jeanine G. Centuori (best example)

Los Angeles CA

Jeanine Centuori has expanded access to architecture for new audiences and segments of the public through academic programs and alternative practice. Her vision has had national impact through built and published works.

2016 Kathleen A. Dorgan

Storrs CT

Shaped by participatory design with and for disenfranchised communities, and focusing on creation and management of equitable environments for all, Kathleen Dorgan's work has become a guiding model for the nation-wide community design movement.

2016 Anne-Marie Lubenau

Cambridge MA

Anne-Marie Lubenau is dedicated to expanding the role of architects in shaping cities by engaging people in the process of design and increasing understanding of the built environment and its impact on our lives.

2016 Terry L Welker

Dayton OH

Integrating architecture and art, Terry Welker creates large kinetic sculptures that enliven space through placemaking. He advances the art form through material and structural innovations. Respected architect/sculptor, Terry advocates for art in public places.

2016 R. Craig Williams

Dallas TX

Nationally recognized architect and attorney, Craig Williams is positively impacting the practice of architecture through his outreach to guide architects, lead the profession, and define our standard-of-care.

2015 Gunnar Hubbard (best example)

Portland ME

A galvanizing force for change, Gunnar Hubbard advances sustainable architecture worldwide as a consultant, educator and advocate who is steadfastly influencing world-renowned architects and uniting building professionals on an integrative path to high-performance green buildings.

2015 Harry A. Mark

Dallas TX

The alternative careers of Harry Mark uniquely juxtapose classical archaeology with contemporary architecture and graphic design. His international collaborations elevate architecture to represent the past, engage the present, and inform the future.

2015 Diane Eileen McLean

Orange County CA

A visionary, advocate, and educator, Diane McLean has raised the bar for sustainability standards around the world. Her exploration and advancement of design innovations is driving the profession toward a goal of Zero Net Energy.

2015 Frank Mruk

New York NY

Frank Mruk has influenced the education of architects by developing a professional model of strategic planning which focuses strategic leadership, thinking, planning and action on innovation, superior outcomes and community service.

2015 Adam M. Shalleck

San Francisco CA

Over a distinguished career as a theatre consultant, Adam Shalleck has bridged between architecture and the performing arts, guiding fellow architects, educators, and producers, and inspiring great architecture for the delight of countless audiences.

2015 Thomas Stewart Shiner

Bethesda MD

Thomas Shiner cultivates furniture design as an essential mission of the architect. Admired worldwide, his iconic furniture completes and activates the built environment.

2014 Daniel Mason Garber

Palo Alto CA

Dan Garber, AIA broke new ground in the architectural profession as a corporate management consultant, applied his non-traditional experience and planning proficiency to improve community and civic organizations, and broadly shared his knowledge and practice solutions.

2014 David K. Kaneda

San Jose CA

David Kaneda uses his cutting edge, electrical engineering expertise and ongoing innovation to conceive elegant, sustainable and energy efficient strategies and teach the industry to integrate them into next generation green buildings.

2014 Robert Arthur King

New York NY

A consumate advocate for the preservation of turn-of-the-century, Robert Arthur King, AIA captivates students, clients, and the public alike, helping them truly "see" the artisanship in their surroundings through his camera's telephoto lens.

2014 Dawn R. Schuette

Chicago IL

Dawn Schuette is a recognized leader in the field of architectural acoustics through her design leadership, knowledge of complex project types and unique users, global perspective, and education within the fields of acoustics and architecture.

2013 Paul Dannels

Ann Arbor MI

Paul helps to make great architecture happen. As an architect leading a structural engineering consulting firm, Paul elevates both architects and architecture as an innovator, interpreter, and leader in the field of structural engineering.

2013 Carl P. Giegold

Chicago IL

As an acoustics consultant, Carl Giegold has guided scores of performing arts and worship spaces nationally and internationally while promoting awareness of the fundamental role sound plays in human interaction and our perception of architecture.

2013 Kenneth D. Levien

New York NY

Kenneth Levien's project management method combines his training in and passion for architecture with his business acumen to create equilibrium among the owner, architect, and builder, enabling exceptional projects for the non-profit community.

2012 Lisa C. Sachs

Los Angeles CA

Building an alternative career in the field of Construction Management, Lisa Sachs has elevated architecture to a postion of leadership, advanced California to landmark legislation and set a national standard for contract performance.

2012 Charles K. Thompson

Austin TX

Charles Thompson has helped architects and owners realize innovative lighting design solutions to enhance award-winning architecture; educated practitioners and public officials; and elevated and defended his profession's role as an important, integral asset to design.

2011 Lisa Fay Matthiessen

Pasadena CA

Through her groundbreaking research and analysis of the financial costs and benefits of building green, Lisa Fay Matthiessen has transformed construction markets worldwidewhile advancing public policy and the evolution of environmentally responsible design.

2010 Herman Ellis Dyal

Austin TX

Herman Dyal works at the intersection of architecture, graphic design, and wayfinding. He creates graphic solutions that illuminate and promote architecture, and his wayfinding solutions have significantly advanced the practice of wayfinding design.

2010 James R. Loewenberg

Chicago IL

For over 50 years, Jim Loewenberg has elevated the practice of architecture as an architect/master builder by raising residential high-rise standards of living to make life more enjoyable while mentoring the next generation of architects.

Object 5 – Service: alternative career

2010 Bernard Marson

New York NY

Bernard Marson was the key initiator of the 1970's transformation of New York City's SOHO from a derelict sweatshop district into an artist's loft community, ultimately growing into 'cast-iron historic-district'status.

2010 Lars Aiken Stanley

Austin T

Lars Stanley translates his passion for the process of making into the making of place, embedding human energy and an awareness of craft into a diverse range of built projects.

2009 Steven Burns

Highland Park IL

By taking his strong architectural design background and directing it toward software development, Steven Burns has uniquely and dramatically transformed the way more than 750 architectural firms around the globe manage their office and projects.

2009 Robert J. Heineman

The Woodlands TX

By focusing his talents in urban design toward producing creative and innovative solutions, Robert Heineman, with extraordinary perseverance and determination, has dramatically shaped the Woodlands, Texas into an international model for community development.

2009 Philip Szostak

Chapel Hill NC

As architect, community leader, volunteer and educator for 30 years, Philip Szostak has consistently promoted design excellence; confirmed architecture's key role to a sustainable environment; and championed the arts as vital to a progressive society.

2019 Sandra McKee

New York NY

Sandra pursues the architect's potential to create a better built environment. She combines this goal with practical, hands-on approaches, bringing positive change through; leading, encouraging and motivating her community to contribute in shaping their city.

2018 Viviana Frank-Franco

Laredo TX

Viviana Frank has transformed her South Texas community through persuasive, visionary and inclusive civic engagement that educates, inspires, and empowers citizens into becoming city makers by illuminating their path to a more vibrant, thriving city.

2018 Robert Steele

Richmond VA

Bob Steele's creative engagement in Richmond, Virginia sparked an awakening in the area's arts community. Now one of the country's most vibrant places to live, Richmond's desirability can be traced to Bob's enduring community leadership.

2015 James Marion Singleton IV

Bryan TX

Singleton offers what people need: a vision and a way to achieve it, addressing funding challenges with a generous spirit of volunteerism—coupled with creative design ability—to produce enduring architecture for the common good.

2014 Richard Hugh Bundy

Wichita Falls TX

Dick Bundy has broadened the influence of architects, reshaped communities, and touched countless lives. His outstanding volunteer and philanthropy work on behalf of community, healthcare, and educational organizations will transform lives for decades.

2014 Becca L Cavell (best example)

Portland OR

Through her volunteer efforts and education initiatives, Becca Cavell has given visibility and relevance to midcentury regional modernist architecture of the Pacific Northwest, making it a forceful influence on design across the nation

2011 Dohn LaBiche

Beaumont TX

Over decades of dedicated and steadfast commitment to the community, Dohn LaBiche has embodied the profession's broader purpose to improve quality of life, serve the greater good, and create a legacy of leadership and service.

2011 Douglas Tom

San Francisco CA

Douglas Tom, AIA is an exceptional leader who has created inspired learning opportunities for underserved youth by developing and nurturing practical, experiential educational programs that incorporate design, construction, and creativity into their curriculum.

2011 Walter L. Wilson

Milwaukee WI

As an architect/activist, Walter Wilson draws people out of their comfort zones into inner city communities; increases opportunities for minorities, young people, and seniors; diligently promotes architectural awareness and strengthens professional architectural standards.

2010 Martha A. Bell

Chicago IL

With decades of volunteer activism, Martha Bell, AIA, has permanently transformed her community's quality of life. The results are evident throughout the public realm in the physical environment and social and educational institutions.

2010 Juan Estanislao Cotera

Austin TX

A passionate humanist, Juan Cotera believes in every individual's right to experience architecture in its finest expression, and has worked for five decades to elevate people and place, regardless of resources, to this ideal.

2010 Albert Irby Hightower, Jr.

San Antonio TX

Hightower's leadership has been crucial to the transformation and thirteen mile extension of the San Antonio River: restoring its ecosystem, creating public space and shaping urban development in the city's core for decades to come.

Object 5 – Service: volunteer work

2010 Paul W. O'Shea Springfield IL

Paul W. O'Shea's, lifetime of indefatigable volunteer efforts in civic, religious, educational, and professional associations resulting in countless significant community improvements clearly exemplify how one architect can make the profession of significant service to society.

2009 Jon Alan Baker San Diego CA

Through his passion for education reform and commitment to public service, Jon Baker, AIA has streamlined the public schools design and construction process and enriched communities through volunteer service and advocacy.

2009 John Fox Hayes Philadelphia PA

John Hayes has advanced the public good by being instrumental in the creation of Philadelphia's Charter High School for Architecture and Design, affording minority and underpriveleged students the opportunity to enter the architecture profession.

2009 Thomas J. Posedly Phoenix AZ

Architect Thomas J. Posedly is congenitally, totally deaf. His architectural practice and his extensive, creative, community volunteerism has changed the image and services available to deaf people nationally and internationally.

2009 Jack F. See, Jr. Little Rock AR

Jack F. See, Jr., has increased public awareness to improve the quality of the educational environment, created new educational facility design standards and built bridges of mutual respect between educators, government officials and architects.

2023 Ronald Abo

Lakewood CO

Through civic action, leadership, and design, Ron Abo engages marginalized communities to make a difference in the lives of the underrepresented and undeserved and to advocate for social equity, justice, diversity and inclusiveness.

2023 Steven Kelly Alspaugh

Indianapolis IN

Dedicated steward of the built environment, leader of community organizations and a champion of the design world, Steve's outstanding volunteer service and thoughtful leadership transforms and revitalizes communities and invigorates society.

2023 Richard Graves

Saint Paul MN

Richard Graves's pioneering leadership in sustainable design has transformed architectural practice. His focus to make regenerative design and green building effective through pragmatic application and innovation, generated national impact, advanced the profession and benefitted society.

2023 Maureen Guttman (best example)

PIttsburgh PA

Maureen Guttman, AIA is a climate champion, engaging the public and AIA members through tireless work on energy codes. Her work is foundational to the AIA's current focus on climate and equity.

2023 Daniel-Christopher (Neil) Hall

El Portal FL

An agent of change, Neil Hall has devoted his life to coalition building for the sake of equity; transforming communities and institutions to foster a legacy of diversity and inclusion in architecture and design.

2022 Ricardo Alvarez-Diaz (best example)

San Juan PR

Ricardo Álvarez-Díaz unites community leadership, entrepreneurism and design practice to rebuild, educate, advance and sustain local communities. He presents a powerful model for architects to engage communities and transform social systems for the collective good.

2022 Alicia Belton (best example)

Minneapolis MN

Alicia Belton is a citizen architect and servant leader whose civic activism and humanitarian work builds social equity, expands the diversity of voices in architecture and public art, and enriches human potential locally and abroad.

2022 Randall C. Vaughn

Lexington KY

Citizen architect and advocate, Randall Vaughn builds community through economic prosperity, quality housing, and professional diversity through volunteerism and practice to overcome challenges and improve opportunities for under served and underrepresented cities, neighborhoods, and individuals.

2021 Illya Azaroff

Brooklyn NY

Illya Azaroff, AIA, pioneers resilience planning initiatives with US and foreign governments, non-profit agencies, and local communities, demonstrating that public service, design, and community engagement can effectively address natural hazards, climate change, and disaster recovery.

2021 Rocco Ceo (best example)

Coral Gables FL

Rocco Ceo is a dedicated educator, accomplished creator, and committed civic advocate. His model service in advancing livable communities transcends traditional disciplinary boundaries by conserving tropical landscapes, preserving seminal structures and strengthening public engagement.

2021 John Crandall

Mendham NJ

John has dedicated his talents as architect, leader, and mentor to eliminating substandard housing of the most economically challenged families in our country. His continued commitment and work can be witnessed throughout Central Appalachia

2021 Norman Hong

Honolulu HI

A steady and principled leader for more than three decades, Norman Hong has guided, protected and advanced the unique cultural and architectural character of his native Hawai'i while humbly serving his community and the profession.

2021 Grace Kim

Seattle WA

Inclusion is at the heart of Grace Kim's work, informing her contributions to the profession, academia, and community. Her approach has international reach – inspiring and influencing practitioners, educators, and students alike.

2021 Saundra Little

Detroit MI

Saundra Little is a role model and advocate for Black architects. Her equity centered career fosters diversity within Detroit's architectural community, reveals and celebrates previous generations' accomplishments, and establishes a roadmap for future minority architects.

2021 Paul Mellblom

Minneapolis MN

Paul Mellblom's focus on historically underserved people has improved lives in dozens of neighborhoods through tenacious, consistent leadership in volunteer service—and by bringing design excellence to nonprofit and probono clients.

2020 Yanel de Angel Salas (best example)

Milton MA

With influence spanning global, civic and professional communities, Yanel de Angel's leadership brings simplicity to complexity while unifying and motivating community leaders, clients and policy makers to reimagine and enact new social and environmental archetypes.

2020 Kristi Hanson

Palm Desert CA

Kristi Hanson redefines the role of architectural program alumnus into an agent for change and progress. Her leadership revitalizes NDSU's architectural program, mentors graduates' success in practice, and ensures the program's resiliency for the future.

2020 Andrew Knox

New York NY

Andrew Knox has focused his practice on elevating the lives of the societally disadvantaged through innovative humanistic design. Knox's completed projects advanced the discussion and achievements of societally committed architecture.

2020 Krista R. Phillips

Portland OR

Through service as a five-time National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) Visiting Team Chair—and through her lifelong contributions to education and licensure—Krista Phillips stewards our professional pipeline and promotes our values to the public.

2020 James E. Silcott

Los Angeles CA

To educate future generations of architects, James Silcott, AIA, has contributed more than \$3 million --- making him the largest individual donor to African American architecture students in the United States.

2020 Erin E. Sterling Lewis

Raleigh NC

Erin Sterling Lewis positions the AIA at the core of community outreach. Blurring barriers between service and practice, she creates mechanisms for accelerating design leadership and impact and for expanding access to design across communities.

2019 Darren LaMarr James (best example)

Dallas TX

Community advocate and civic leader, Darren L. James strategically uses his influence and community-centered architecture practice to unite diverse groups and design environments that create transformational outcomes in underserved neighborhoods.

2019 William T. Mahan

Santa Barbara CA

A fierce proponent of effective design and planning review with fairness and respect for everyone involved; visionary chapter, business, and foundation leader; Bill's influence has broadly shaped his community and profession for the good.

2019 Michael R. McCulloch

Portland OR

Michael McCulloch elevates the role of the architect, enriches the civic realm through volunteer service and advocacy, and fosters an environment of civic engagement that empowers the public to understand and enhance their built environment.

2019 Christine A. Mondor

Pittsburgh PA

Through her practice, advocacy, and thought leadership, Christine Mondor has changed the national discourse on sustainability. Her integrative vision has empowered professionals and has activated the public to shape a more regenerative environment.

2019 Richard I. Pigford

Birmingham AL

A true citizen-architect, Richard "Dick" Pigford inspires and advocates values of shared civic responsibility and design excellence. Through his professional leadership, Dick builds vibrant, equitable communities by empowering the clients he serves.

2019 Thomas J. Schoeman

Las Vegas NV

Thomas Schoeman has translated success in practice into a vital platform for fulfilling his passion for service. His volunteer work has created facilities that expand opportunities for learning and for self-sufficiency within intellectually challenged communities.

2019 Steven H. Shinn

San Diego CA

Through his civic engagement, Steven Shinn integrated the values of preservation, sustainability and livable communities into the urban fabric by pro-actively involving the public, government entities, the building community and academia through advocacy and education.

2019 Ursula Twombly

Wauwatosa WI

An activist for a neglected neighborhood, an investor in community real estate and start-up businesses, a mentor for women architects; Ursula Twombly uses design to positively transform a neighborhood, a city and a profession.

2018 Kiki Bolender

Philadelphia PA

Kiki Bolender advances solutions to the pressing challenges of equity, resilience and design literacy in American's most impoverished big city, while linking international funders to affordable housing and preservation in Philadelphia.

2018 Tamara Eagle Bull

Lincoln NE

Excelling in a field where there are few Native Americans and even fewer who are women, Tamara is a role model, socially responsible pioneer and advocate for a culturally appropriate and community driven design process.

2018 Dina A. Griffin

Chicago IL

Dina Griffin successfully increases diversity within the profession of architecture as a mentor and role model who inspires minority students and emerging professionals to set and achieve professional goals within architecture and other design professions.

2018 Jacquelyn Hale

Winter Park FL

Jacquelyn Hale is a dedicated, committed and passionate leader and advocate for the architectural profession, who motivates, mentors and empowers owners, colleagues and emerging professionals to understand the value of design in the built environment.

2018 Melody Harclerode

Atlanta GA

Through developing the Discover ARCHITECTURE program, Melody Harclerode inspires students and advocates about the architectural profession. Her dynamic leadership advances the Institute's involvement in design education, and elevates public awareness of architecture.

2018 Bruce Johnson

Asheville NC

A leap of faith took Bruce Johnson to Haiti on a 14 year journey of LEARNING the culture, TRAINING himself and Haitian workers, and BUILDING projects that provide hope for safer and sustainable living environments.

2018 Arlan Kay

Oregon WI

Arlan Kay's pioneering devotion to the challenge of "Designing Activism" has led to a lifetime of precedent-setting service. He has championed education and preservation, to enhance our built environment.

2018 Joyce Owens

Fort Myers FL

Through local and national media and architectural awareness events, Joyce Owens AIA RIBA has advanced the profession through leadership and a commitment to promote and raise public awareness about the value of architects and architecture.

2018 Traci Dawn Sooter

Springfield MO

Traci Sooter's passion for teaching architecture has positively impacted society and many architecture and non-architecture students through the pursuit of design-build projects that have brought hope, healing, and inspiration to the communities they have served.

2018 Jonathan Scott Sparer

Las Vegas NV

Jon Sparer's passion for community service advances the causes of individuals and diverse groups. As a progressive leader in the profession, he indelibly reshapes our understanding of the architect as a catalyst for building communities.

2018 Edward Tucker

Huntington WV

Through volunteer leadership, advocacy, and community activism, Ed Tucker, AIA has improved the quality of life in West Virginia by promoting healthy and eco-friendly lifestyles, inspiring a sustainable economy, and nurturing new generations of leaders.

2017 Thomas G. Bacon

Houston TX

The force behind Houston's Bayou Greenways 2020 initiative, Tom Bacon is leading a major city's transformation into a new global model for urban connectivity, green spaces, and spurring unprecedented investment in the quality of life.

2017 Robert Benjamin Borson

Dallas TX

Bob Borson's use of digital media has changed the paradigm for architectural advocacy and fostered an honest, perceptive, and relatable conversation about architecture that engages and inspires diverse people in every part of the world.

2017 John B. Burse

St. Louis MO

A citizen architect with infectious enthusiasm, John strengthens and advocates for community through activism, leadership, and design. Within neighborhoods, cities and campuses, his creative approach and visionary spark energizes and revitalizes communities nationwide.

2017 Ellen Crozat Cassilly

Durham NC

A passionate community leader, visionary arts advocate and gifted educator, Ellen Cassilly unites volunteerism, public engagement and design to catalyze dynamic districts, generate innovation, revitalize cities and inspire her peers and the public.

2017 Jan K. Culbertson

Ann Arbor MI

Rooted in the belief that inclusion and equity are required to sustain change, Jan leads thoughtful transformation through volunteer service, professional leadership and collaborative practice. Together, we thrive!

2017 Charles L. Cunniffe

Aspen CO

Charles Cunniffe AIA leads the Profession in Civic Stewardship, championing and reinforcing thoughtful community growth, creating educational and cultural opportunities, and fostering human welfare in Colorado's Western Mountain Region.

2017 Steven F. Curry

Houston TX

Steven Curry has secured the preservation of endangered mid-century modern architecture by engaging the public and design community through collaborative alliances, education, and advocacy that bring to light the significance of this unique cultural heritage.

2017 Duo Dickinson

Madison CT

Design should have value for everyone. Duo Dickinson has made his mission as an architect to reveal that value from pro bono to high-end designs, and in writing, media, community service and professional activism.

2017 Thang N. Do

San Jose CA

Dedicated San José community leader, urban champion, and caring practitioner, Thang Do raises architecture's relevance and influences planning policies through advocacy, transforms his downtown district through urban renewal projects, and breaks new ground in sustainability.

2017 Karl A. Grice

St. Louis MO

Karl Grice has combined an architectural career with community engagement, utilizing his unique architect's sensibilities and training as a social worker, serving as leader, mentor and visionary to increase our profession's image in marginalized communities.

2017 Peter Kasavan

Salinas CA

Through his volunteer leadership, exceptional commitment, effective advocacy, and coalition building, Peter Kasavan, AIA has created lasting improvements to his community and region, including improved city services, broad-based regional planning, and a revitalized downtown core.

2017 Kwendeche

Little Rock AR

The preservation work of Kwendeche is in the highest tradition of the profession. His attention to neglected places unselfishly makes visible important histories that otherwise could be lost to the collective memory of our Nation.

2017 Jane Gianvito Mathews

Asheville NC

Jane Mathews, AIA, places the architect at the center of shaping communities. Her volunteer, public policy and design work is a model for "Architect as Advocate," ensuring effective solutions for preservation, sustainability, design and livability.

2017 Bhagchand D. Nayak

Braintree MA

Bhagchand Nayak's architectural practice has a threefold humanitarian mission: design community worship and cultural centers for underserved populations, transform depressed terrains into thriving town centers, and to promote the architectural profession to all age groups.

2017 John P. Salmen

Silver Spring MD

John Salmen has led the international Universal Design movement for over 40 years. He has shown architects and people around the world how universally designed spaces and devices support and empower people of all abilities.

2017 John Howard Tabor

Charlotte NC

John Tabor's civic engagement brings architectural expertise to informing public and planning policy and community development. His leadership and service have shaped growth in Charlotte, NC, and advanced community and professional initiatives locally and globally.

2017 Larry Dennis Thompson (best example)

Santa Barbara CA

Dennis Thompson's dedicated leadership motivates colleagues, clients, policy makers, and the public to create a more sustainable future by constructing green buildings and creating livable neighborhoods.

2017 Stephen A. Wiser

Louisville KY

An exemplary steward of the built environment, Steve Wiser's civic activism in preservation, urban planning, publications, architectural advocacy, and healthcare has made exceptional design happen through his dedicated, passionate efforts.

2016 Richard H. Abramson

Los Angeles CA

An acknowledged leader and persuasive advocate for small firm interests, Richard Abramson has effected lasting change by protecting architects with new legislation, originating and expanding professional knowledge sharing programs, and advancing community and non-profit initiatives.

2016 Polly Carpenter

Boston MA

Polly Carpenter has inspired design thinking in thousands of children, teachers, architects, and community members by creating K12 architecture education programs that provide the awareness, the passion, and the tools to build a better world.

2016 Heister Clymer Cease, Jr.

Raleigh NC

Clymer Cease has led a regional transformation and created an ambitious agenda for the future through effective engagement of thought leaders, clients, and colleagues in the intersecting worlds of the arts, urbanism, and architecture.

2016 Cassandra D. Ensberg

Santa Barbara CA

Cassandra Ensberg's career and passion has focused on increasing awareness of the art of architecture and its critical importance to society by connecting architects to youth and adults through art and drawing.

2016 Kelly Hayes-McAlonie

Buffalo NY

Dedicated ambassador of the profession, staunch advocate for gender equity and visionary component leader, Kelly Hayes McAlonie has elevated the appreciation of architecture by developing education initiatives and advocating for design excellence in public architecture.

2016 Lamar A. Johnson

Chicago IL

Lamar Johnson's leadership inspires a firmwide culture of civic service, while personally driving pro-bono delivery of transformational projects and initiatives; simultaneously lifting the human spirit while creating distinguished architecture for mission-driven community organizations.

2016 Dan Kirby

Orlando FL

Dan Kirby, AIA is an exemplary architect in achieving positive community transformation, elevating the status of the profession and advancing sustainability through over two decades of committed volunteer leadership and as an appointed public official.

2016 Frederick Perpall

Dallas TX

Fred Perpall has harnessed the leadership skills honed in practice to improve communities through his civic leadership and mentoring of at-risk youth.

2016 Jay Raskin

Portland OR

Jay is a visionary, persistent advocate for community resilience. As an elected official, volunteer taskforce leader and speaker to public and professional audiences, he has led community initiatives, shaped state legislation and influenced national policy.

2016 Phillip A. Reed

Austin TX

Through policy reform and designs for public buildings, Phillip Reed has improved the quality of life in Central Texas by concentrating on long term environmental impacts that will shape the region for generations to come.

2016 Allen Swerdlowe

New York NY

Allen Swerdlowe spent his career combining political participation, professional expertise and passion to work pro-bono with communities, municipalities and private developers to elevate the quality of their projects and public space for the public good.

2015 George W. Acock

Columbus OH

In Columbus, George Acock's name is synonymous with both architecture and public service. His visionary counsel, community leadership, mentorship and dedication to education have been cited as a model for architects both locally and nationwide.

2015 Michael John Bell

New Orleans LA

Committed to employing his talents where they may best effect positive results, Michael Bell AIA has tirelessly devoted his career to serving and advancing his profession, the Institute, society and humanity.

2015 Clifford B. Curry

San Francisco CA

Clifford Curry has planned and evolved cities, shifted paradigms on how housing impacts the well-being of seniors, and raised the global profile of social design through his charitable foundation.

2015 Damian Farrell

Ann Arbor MI

A communicator, activist and leader, Damian is an advocate for the positive effect of design on our lives! And how many architects have their own radio show?

2015 Elizabeth J. Heider

Alexandria VA

A passionate leader, intrepid researcher and tireless advocate, Elizabeth Heider emboldens the design, construction and business communities to create a more sustainable future. Leveraging architectural vision, collaboration and infectious enthusiasm, her work has global impact.

2015 John R. Klai II

Las Vegas NV

John R. Klai advances communities, architectural education programs and the profession through volunteerism and philanthropy, transforming Las Vegas, academic institutions, organizations and the lives of individuals. He presents a model for meaningful, architect-driven social progress.

2015 Ted Charles Kollaja

Dallas TX

Community advocate, champion for academic and professional excellence, and dedicated component leader, Ted Kollaja has served his community and his profession for over 25 years.

2015 Robert Stephen Mills

Richmond VA

Robert Mills is a passionate advocate for reinvigorating communities and dedicated civic leader. Through leadership in the rehabilitation of existing buildings, he improves livability of communities and elevates the stature and effectiveness of the profession.

2015 Rachel Mae Minnery

Seattle WA/ Washington DC

Rachel Minnery leads the advancement of innovative models for disaster recovery and resilience. She is transforming public perception of the profession by inspiring and leading teams of design professionals to support communities in crisis worldwide.

2014 Matthew F. Kreisle, III

Austin TX

Advocate, leader and pragmatic visionary, Matthew Kreisle strives to educate, engage and energize communities to build on a shared past and common ground as the means to create a future that celebrates people and place.

2014 Alan D. McGuinn

Asheville NC

Alan McGuinn, AlA, actively serves society, through his leadership of community-based initiatives that shape livable communities and foster public consensus. He advances public awareness through engagement, design advocacy education and coordinated action.

2014 Thomas Hayne Upchurch

Brenham TX

Through collaborative, inspiring, and motivating service that embodies the model of a community architect, Thomas Hayne Upchurch drove a 14-year planning effort that has expanded the economic, civic, and cultural potential of his small town.

2013 John Barton

Palo Alto CA

As activist, leader and elected official, John Barton has worked to achieve a more equitable, sustainable, and livable community that improves the quality of life for people at the all ends of the economic spectrum.

2013 Bill Gaylord

Seattle WA

For Bill Gaylord, community engagement is the wellspring of civic vitality and professional effectiveness, expressed through his tireless leadership in nonprofit organizations that champion the value of art, architecture, and principled urbanism in public life.

2013 David H. Gleason

Baltimore MD

David Gleason, AIA, through active leadership on civic commissions, in regional historic preservation organizations and AIA Baltimore brings a strong, dedicated and recognized voice to preservation and revitalization of Baltimore's nationally important architectural heritage.

2013 Alan L Hansen

Reston VA

Alan Hansen formed the Loudoun County (Virginia) Design Cabinet to promote high-quality, environmentally sustainable, and culturally respectful architectural design. The Cabinet has become indispensable to its community and is a prototype for municipalities everywhere.

2013 Charyl F. McAfee-Duncan

Dallas TX

Charyl McAfee-Duncan is a committed advocate of public art and the built environment through her development of creative and engaging programs that support women architects and introduce young girls to the profession of architecture.

2013 Angela O'Byrne

New Orleans LA

If your city, community, association, or business is in trouble, find Angela O'Byrne! Her knowledge and vigilance have saved many situations, and she has invented many ways to benefit her beloved New Orleans and profession.

2013 Susan Pruchnicki, AIA

St. Louis MO

With tireless enthusiasm for the profession, the Institute and her practice, Susan promotes education and awareness to under-represented and at-risk populations through volunteerism, advocacy and championing programs that inspire students and educators and impact communities.

2012 Umberto Dindo

New York NY

With his entrepreneurial advocacy for innovative design and urbanism, Umberto Dindo has elevated the architect's role in society by energizing his community, colleagues, and the AIA through exhibitions, symposia, teaching and spirited community service.

2012 James Michael Holliday

Santa Barbara CA

Through his deep sense of commitment to community and to the profession of architecture, James Michael Holliday has modeled the leadership role of the architect in service to society and to the cause of sustainability.

2012 Michael Dale Lingerfelt

Orlando FL

An exceptional leader in disaster response, Michael Lingerfelt, AIA has created national models for training, organization and execution, fostered increased member engagement and expanded the role of AIA architects in the disaster recovery process.

2012 Ernest J. Lombard

Eagle ID

Ernest Lombard's passion for architecture and history lead to four decades of advocacy and photographic storytelling to preserve architectural landmarks. Ernest's championing lead to preservation and public use of multi-award-winning 1880s ghost town: Bayhorse, Idaho.

2012 Fred Powell

Oakland CA

Fred Powell has dramatically strengthened the architectural profession through tireless community service over forty years. His advocacy, leadership and teaching efforts have improved professional, business and educational opportunities for minority and emerging architects and students.

2012 Steven L. Spurlock

Washington DC

Dedicated steward of the built environment, energetic champion of cultural and community organizations, and visionary component leader, Steven Spurlock's leadership transforms and revitalizes communities and invigorates the profession with advocacy, public outreach, and education.

2012 Stephen J. Vanze

Washington DC

Stephen Vanze is a leader in public service for the architectural profession. From larger U.S. governing boards to small communities in remote villages, his inspiring work embodies the positive impact architects can have on society.

2011 Joanne Aitken

Philadelphia PA

Joanne Aitken builds public appreciation for the value of architecture's ability to shape place and create community through leadership in civic design advocacy; neighborhood renewal; outreach for our profession; and her writing, teaching, and design.

2011 Patrick B. Davis Jr.

Birmingham AL

Patrick Davis, AIA has been a dedicated advocate for the profession and the building industry, and has created new public policy, developed coalitions, championed sustainability, and inspired a deeper understanding of the value of design.

2011 Judson A. Kline

Cleveland OH

Judson Kline has worked tirelessly establishing a magnet school for architecture and design in the Cleveland Metropolitan School District. His effort has resulted in forming a National Forum connecting architecture and design high schools nationwide.

2011 Carol J. Weissman Kurth

Bedford NY

Using architecture as the foundation, Carol Weissman Kurth promotes service to society by interweaving service to education, teaching, community, and the profession; the multiplier effect of her efforts transforms lives through the lens of design.

2011 Nikolaus ('Klaus') Hans Philipsen

Baltimore MD

Klaus Philipsen, AIA is a respected example of what is means to be a citizen architect. He has used his professional skills over his entire career to effect better communities.

2011 Monroe Kirk Train

Charlottesville VA

Whether through service to his profession through leadership on the local and state level, or service to his community through design or advocacy, Kirk Train has sought to improve both the physical and cultural environment.

2010 James S. Bershof

Denver CO

Through the practice of architecture and volunteerism that supports and benefits the disadvantaged citizens, institutions, neighborhoods and cultural heritage of Metropolitan Denver, Jim Bershof has made a significant contribution to the city and its people.

2010 Charles H. Boney, Jr.

Wilmington NC

Charles Boney Jr. is the public voice of architecture through his NPR-affiliate radio program, reaching an audience of 44,000 and creating community dialog and awareness of the importance of the architect and architecture in society.

2010 Donna D. Carter

Austin TX

Donna Carter's civic engagement creates sustainable communities where history's wisdom guides the future. As an African-American woman, intentionally in private practice, she demonstrates the benefits one citizen architect can bring to those her life touches.

2010 James Nelson Kise

Philadelphia PA

James Kise has been a passionate advocate of architecture, design, and the visual and performing arts, positively impacting decisions at local, state and national levels through his leadership on important non-profit boards.

2010 Kenneth Charles Mayer, Jr.

Greensboro NC

Ken Mayer has demonstrated how "design thinking" can transform communities through approaches that are inclusive, collaborative, consensus-building and publicly engaging. He has created national models for shaping growth through strategic partnering, planning and design.

2010 James R. Nader

Fort Worth TX

James Nader's creative interpretation of how architects can serve society generates opportunities to contribute significantly to the public good. Inspired to serve diverse faith communities, he envisioned a collaborative effort to preserve historic sacred places.

2010 Nicholas Peckham

Columbia MO

The sustainable design, planning, and inventions of Nick Peckham, AIA have made a tremendous impact on the architectural profession and our world, and his dedicated volunteer contributions have enriched our communities, government, and academia.

2010 August G. Reno

Aspen CO

AID member Augie Reno's groundbreaking pro bono asset management, guidelines for historic preservation, workforce housing legislation and regional transportation planning over three decades have made Aspen, Colorado an international model for community sustainability.

2010 Bill Roschen

Los Angeles CA

Roschen's career manifests the new paradigm of "citizen architect" as civic leader and architect practitioner who can engage communities in the difficult conversations required to advance redevelopment projects that make neighborhoods sustainable, affordable and livable.

2009 Daniel Boone Barnum

Houston TX

Daniel Barnum epitomizes the architect's role as citizen, enabling citizens' groups to understand how design matters, galvanizing them to demand excellence, and leading implementation efforts in neighborhood revitalization, preservation, urban design, and promoting architectural professionalism.

2009 Walter L. Eckenhoff

Chicago IL

Award-winning architect Walt Eckenhoff, AIA, ACHA has guided the Chicago Architecture Foundation through a transformative period to become a model cultural institution of international prominence that serves at the forefront of architecture debate and education.

2009 Louis J. Garapolo

Oak Park IL

"Louis Garapolo epitomizes the spirit of the citizen-architect and professional practitioner," said AIA Illinois. He designs to enable clients to provide health and community service while volunteering over \$1 million of time to service organizations.

2009 Alan Greenberger

Philadelphia PA

Alan Greenberger's engagement in civic issues and community involvement has advanced the profession by broadening the influence architects can have in society and by re-establishing design as a publicly-valued measure of success for urban growth.

2009 Donald Jacobs

Irvine CA

Don Jacobs successfully blends a distinguished international practice with an innate talent to address a local concern: homelessness. Dire circumstances leave people without their homes, their anchor. Jacobs helps give them hope. He "Serves Society."

2009 Douglas A. Lowe

Marina del Rey CA

Through his humanitarian efforts, worldwide, Doug Lowe builds relationships, re-builds lives, improving the environment for people for whom basic services and shelter are a luxury, empowering them to better their situations and assist one another.

2009 Bruce R. Starkweather

Sacramento CA

Bruce R. Starkweather's lifelong efforts are the embodiment of the profession's legacy - to be of service beyond oneself. His visionary service to society has created legislative reform, shaped communities, and enhanced education.

2023 Jason Chandler

Coral Gables FL

Jason Chandler is an accomplished academic leader, noted educator and award-winning practitioner. He elevates the role of infill building as an important pedagogic tool and as a critical component in the fabric of the city.

2023 Joongsub Kim (best example)

Birmingham MI

Joongsub Kim is a national leader in community-centered architecture through education, service, and research. Collaborating with leading organizations and world-renowned publishers, Joon advances the profession, expanding community values through design with award-winning, influential results.

2023 Nea Maloo (best example)

silver spring MD

Nea Maloo primes HBCU students for leadership, creating an essential pipeline for diversity and environmental justice. Her inclusive teaching integrates global equity with climate action and transforms architectural education to advance the profession worldwide.

2023 Rob Whitehead

Des Moines IA

Professor Whitehead's prolific career is distinguished by award-winning practice, scholarship, and instructional activities; he's elevated the crucial bond between architecture and structural design in a manner that transcends the classroom and traditional disciplinary constraints.

2022 Keelan Patrick Kaiser

Riverside CA

Through sustained academic dedication, Keelan Kaiser is improving architecture education by leading and collaborating in the AIA, ACSA, and NAAB, developing innovative holistic architecture programs and pathways to practice, and thoughtfully integrating practice with education.

2022 Dr. Gregory A. Luhan

Lexington KY

Dr. Luhan's groundbreaking research validates the benefits of collaborative design pedagogy. He integrates practitioners, educators, and community stakeholders to engage in his award-winning multidisciplinary teaching forums where students employ project-based, computational design methods.

2022 Kiel Moe (best example)

Halifax VT

Kiel Moe illuminates our understanding and practice of energy in architecture as a technical, formal, social, and political enterprise through the singular contributions of his teaching, research, publication, design practice, and building.

2021 Thomas Barrie

Raleigh NC

Thomas Barrie produces groundbreaking scholarship on religious architecture, connects students to service and the social mission of architecture, and founds organizations and programs with lasting impact on architectural education and the public.

2021 Caryn Brause (best example)

Northampton MA

Professor Brause is a prominent contributor in the field of collaborative design pedagogy. She creates vibrant and fruitful connections between educators, students, practitioners, and community stakeholders through her expansive, innovative, and award-winning work.

2021 Mina Chow

Los Angeles CA

Through her film-making, public scholarship, and interdisciplinary teaching, Mina Chow communicates important underlying relationships between design and culture. Her original outreach expands architectural education to new audiences by advancing understanding of design and the profession.

2021 Stefani Danes

Pittsburgh PA

Through her integrated teaching, research, and practice, Stefani Danes brings much-needed new voices into the design process and advances the profession's standards for inclusive and socially sustainable environments.

2021 Linda Keane

Chicago IL

As Citizen Architect, Academic Innovator, and Catalytic Educator, Linda Keane empowers the potential of people and places to engage the wonder of the built and natural environment.

2021 Kenneth Lambla

Charlotte NC

Ken Lambla advances architectural education and expands the role of architects in society through the creation of multi-disciplinary, research-based design education programs, innovative community engagement initiatives, and sustained professional mentorship strategies.

2021 Richard Mohler

Seattle WA

Through teaching, research, advocacy, and practice, Rick Mohler promotes just, policy-driven cities, shaped by principled design, addressing all scales of urban experience while building stronger connections between the profession, the academy, government and community.

2021 Stephen Phillips

Los Angeles CA

Through his innovative integration of design research, professional practice, and community leadership -- Stephen Phillips, Founding Director of the Cal Poly Los Angeles Metropolitan Program in Architecture and Urban Design has profoundly impacted design education.

2021 Cathi Schar

Honolulu HI

Cathi Ho Schar cultivates new synergies between architectural education and government, leading a novel, university-based, public sector teaching practice that creates opportunities for engaged scholarship, applied pedagogy, and proof-of-concept design inquiry with statewide impact.

2020 Alexandra Barker

Brooklyn NY

Alexandra Barker's pioneering approach to architectural education, evidenced by the integrative curriculum and multi-disciplinary pedagogical strategies she has developed, anticipates new directions in practice, making transformative contributions to the future of the profession.

2020 Brian K. Craig

Grand Rapids MI

Educator-Architect Brian Craig, AIA, builds on his global service to humanity and award-winning architectural practice to create a new accredited professional Master of Architecture program and educate a new generation of architectural leaders.

2020 Randy Deutsch

Winnetka IL

Book author, international keynoter, workshop leader, administrator, educator Randy Deutsch helps current & future design professionals understand impacts of emerging technology on future practice, to plan for and navigate a fast-moving, uncertain future with confidence.

2020 Erik L'Heureux

Singapore

Erik L'Heureux integrates design education and academic leadership to creative practice, championing novel design strategies for hot, wet and dense cities of the equator, and the warming world.

2020 Christopher Meek (best example)

Seattle WA

Building a bridge between research, education, and practice; Christopher Meek, AIA, elevates the design community by developing, evaluating, and disseminating tools and practices that advance healthy, high-performance, energy-efficient, and well daylit buildings.

2020 Neal J.Z. Schwartz

San Francisco CA

Neal Schwartz' distinguished career in teaching, policy and practice is imbued with the ethos of the educator, one who leads by example and imagines the world not as it is, but how it might be.

2020 Andrew Vernooy

Bozeman MT

Andrew Vernooy's essential work in education forges new pathways that improve access and representation, creatively engages practitioners, integrates fresh scholarship, and ultimately expands the understanding of architecture as both an academic and an applied discipline.

2020 Thomas T. Zung

Bratenahl OH

Thomas Zung is recognized internationally as Buckminster Fuller's partner, advocating design science, 'doing more with less,' demonstrating with talks, workshops, and patents how an architect's ingenuity can effect environmental change, and conserve Earth's finite resources.

2019 Robert J. Condia

Manhattan KS

Robert Condia, AIA is a recognized educator whose innovative pedagogy of embodied experience teaches design thinking through the craft of architecture by developing and expanding students' intellectual curiosity, critical aptitudes, creative drive and self-confidence.

2019 Jeffrey L. Day

Omaha NE

Jeffrey L. Day inventively integrates teaching, practice, and design-research to develop young architects committed to design excellence and collaborative process. He enriches culture and strengthens community with rigorous investigations outside the recognized architectural centers.

2019 Timothy E. De Noble

Manhattan KS

Dean Tim de Noble, a nationally prominent educator, expands the practice periphery by advancing design education through leadership, innovation, & advocacy. His educational model, recognized as a transformational force, enriches student experiences and impacts communities.

2019 Thomas Fowler IV

San Luis Obispo CA

Thomas Fowler's dedication to teaching and innovative student experiences has transformed Cal Poly San Luis Obispo's architecture school, created interdisciplinary programs, and connected students to practice; his leadership of NAAB has strengthened architectural education worldwide.

2019 Martin A. Gold

Gainesville FL

Martin Gold, AIA is an academic leader recognized nationally and internationally for advancing interdisciplinary education beyond the classroom by bridging between the academy, the profession, and the communities they both serve.

2019 Sharon H. Haar

Ann Arbor MI

Committed to cities as campuses, activist and educator Sharon Haar creates a new narrative for architectural education while preparing students to lead social, economic, and cultural change in an urbanizing and global profession.

2019 Todd R. Hanson

Portsmouth NH

Todd has dedicated his career to thoughtfully understanding people's physical and emotional needs. Now unable to walk or speak, he has transformed himself into one of our profession's leading spokesmen for accessible and inclusive environments.

2019 David B. Hill

Raleigh NC

A renowned educator who leads teams of scientists, engineers, humanists, and designers, David Hill is transforming architectural research and teaching, defining novel approaches in Digital Humanities, and expanding architecture's role in creating resilient coastal communities.

2019 Mitra Kanaani

San Diego CA

Mitra Kanaani has advanced design excellence through teaching, leadership, administration, scholarship, mentorship, practice, activism, humanitarianism and service to the university, profession and community at national and international levels. Her works elevated NewSchool to national prominence.

2019 Alison G. Kwok

Eugene OR

Alison is an award-winning educator and practitioner who has advanced the field of architecture and sustainable design through her university teaching and dissemination of research through publications, professional training, and curricular innovation.

2019 Michael N. Lykoudis

Notre Dame IN

Michael Lykoudis's leadership in architectural education, has created a curriculum that comprehensively integrates architecture and its allied disciplines with a mandatory immersive foreign studies program, and facilitated dialogue between tradition and modernity, advancing our profession.

2019 Francisco J. Rodriguez-Suarez

Guaynabo Puerto Rico

Through civic leadership, Francisco Javier Rodríguez has advanced the cause of architectural education by constructing new pedagogical paradigms, building bridges between academia and practice, and promoting the international footprint and relevance of architectural education worldwide.

2019 Murat Soygenis

Istanbul Turkey

Murat Soygenis, AIA, realizing a vision of architectural education binding academy and practice, community and global context, and intertwining research with analog-digital exploration, has inspired students and emerging professionals to local and international leadership.

2019 David J. Thaddeus

Charlotte NC

Authoring innovative teaching practices and devices, David Thaddeus passionately teaches and mentors students and interns by integrating disciplines of architecture and engineering in the classroom, design studio, and through ARE seminars locally, nationally and internationally.

2018 Andrew Bernheimer

Brooklyn NY

Andrew Bernheimer has expanded the impact of design education and professional practice through teaching and studio-based research, enriching human experience within the personal space of dwellings and the collective spaces of social housing.

2018 Donald F. Gatzke

Arlington TX

Donald Gatzke has elevated architectural education by emphatically connecting architecture schools to the public and to the profession, and by providing unprecedented opportunities for students of diverse backgrounds.

2018 Ingalill Wahlroos-Ritter

Los Angeles CA

Practitioner, thought-leader and Dean, Ingalill Wahlroos-Ritter has built a high-ranking school of architecture by crafting new pathways into the profession for minority students from underserved communities, inspired by her holistic career broadening the architect's role.

2017 Anthony Alofsin

Austin TX

Architect, architectural historian, and teacher, Dr. Anthony Alofsin has transformed our understanding of Frank Lloyd Wright, expanded the history of modern architecture, and explored themes of modernism from Central Europe to American design education."

2017 Renée Cheng

Minneapolis MN

Renée Cheng connects profession and academy, analyzing and promoting innovative practices, new forms of representation and alternative project delivery methods to facilitate critical discourse in the profession and advance innovation in education.

2017 Suzanne Floyd Frasier

Baltimore MD

Through her enthusiastic teaching, mentorship, and leadership at Morgan State University, Suzanne Frasier enhances the diversity of architectural education and the entire profession; her collaborative academic research in India creates a bridge between two continents.

2017 D. Michael Hamner

Monterey Park CA

Michael Hamner developed a uniquely successful Community College Architectural Program, training future architects that truly reflect the diversity of our society, offering underserved students a route to our profession inspired by his own grass-roots-based career.

2017 Kevin Hom

New York NY

As Dean, Kevin Hom has re-invented the architecture program at CUNY's School of Technology and Design, developing a dynamic, sustainability-focused and technology-based model for preparing disadvantaged students to enter and bring diversity to the profession.

2017 David Hughes

Kent OH

David Hughes combined his passion for Architecture, African culture, travel, research, photography & teaching to introduce a paradigm of thought, receiving worldwide regard, influence and impact on design, practice and education

2017 Shafik I. Rifaat

Houston TX

Shafik I. Rifaat has improved and strengthened the urban form, bridging the gap between architectural education and practice by incorporating his extensive, highly-regarded portfolio of professional work into his teaching.

2017 Gregory J. Scott

Lancaster PA

A respected speaker and innovator, Gregg has dedicated his career to improving the lives of seniors. His passion for sharing knowledge and challenging the status quo has resulted in groundbreaking senior housing innovations.

2017 Tricia Stuth

Knoxville TN

Tricia Stuth informs her teaching through research and practice, and illuminates the unseen links between building and context. With a focus on housing, she explores how architecture can closely connect to and intensify its place.

2016 Michael Joseph Buono

Springfield MO

Michael Buono has cultivated two architecture programs into national prominence, significantly advancing design excellence through leadership, administration, community engaged applied research, teaching, mentorship, and service to the academy and the profession.

2016 Jeffrey Daniels

Los Angeles CA

Leading a groundbreaking program in continuing education, Jeffrey Daniels has expanded access and diversity within the profession, reinvented a rigorous theory/practice based curriculum and pioneered a powerful new linkage between architecture and interior space.

2016 John Scott Poole

Knoxville TN

An academic leader and entrepreneurial admministrator, Scott Poole has earned national and international stature as a design educator and scholar, while expanding and refining the discourse between architectural education and the practice of architecture.

2016 Linda Reeder

New Britain CT

Through her publications, teaching, and leadership, Linda Reeder creates and disseminates original resources and lessons learned about professional practice and sustainable design. Her knowledge-sharing activities both educate and benefit architects, students, and other building professionals.

2015 Robin Fran Abrams

Raleigh NC

Through innovative, interdisciplinary teaching, research and practice, Robin Abrams, AIA, has broadened the understanding of the scope of architecture, enhanced architectural education, and improved the viability of cities across the globe.

2015 Ralph D. Bennett

Silver Spring MD

Ralph Bennett has devoted his career to making architecture vivid to students and the public through distinguished teaching, leadership in public service and exemplary practice in housing and community design.

2015 Gail Peter Borden

Los Angeles CA

A renowned scholar, educator, practitioner and transformative academic leader; Professor Gail Peter Borden has bridged between the academy and the profession; demonstrated critical practice through design inquiry; and advanced the role of materiality in architecture.

2015 Michael B. Cadwell

Columbus OH

As an educator, writer, and practitioner, Michael Cadwell has advanced the role of construction as a transformative cultural act: how we see, build, and inhabit the world.

2015 Amy E Gardner

Silver Spring MD

Amy Gardner has forever changed American architectural design education and practice through teaching innovations successfully marrying theory, technology and constructability. Like Gardner, her students are creating more environmentally sustainable, resilient, aesthetically reimagined buildings and communities.

2015 Ray Huff

Charleston DC

Ray Huff AIA established the Clemson Architecture Center for the study of architecture as a seamless balance between the academy and practice to educate students with regards to culturally responsive and community sustainable architecture.

2015 Patrick L. Pinnell

Haddam CT

Revealing how individual problems -- in building, in public and professional education, and in research and theory -- relate to larger, general patterns, Pinnell has clarified ways to think about buildings and design them better.

2015 Richard R. (Toby) Pugh

Glendale CA

Richard Pugh has advanced the profession internationally, educating and communicating across cultures to establish the highest standards of specification writing while inspiring accessible designs that have removed architectural barriers for millions annually.

2015 George Ranalli

New York NY

George Ranalli is an educational leader who facilitates a mutually beneficial collaboration between the academy and the profession. Mr. Ranalli's architecture is based upon a design ethos that translates architectural history into a contemporary idiom.

2015 Jack Randall Seitsinger

Stillwater OK

Randy Seitsinger's leadership at Oklahoma State University has greatly influenced a generation of students. He has helped focus the School's commitment to professionally-oriented education, preparing students for success in the profession.

2015 Barbara A. Sestak

Portland OR

Barbara Sestak is a tireless advocate for the architectural field with a long and enduring history of creating, leading and reshaping the integration of the academic and professional components for the national advancement of both.

2015 Jonathan C. Spodek

Muncie IN

Jonathan Spodek is widely recognized for his national leadership, scholarship, teaching, and service to the profession as an expert and voice bridging the values of historic preservation, sustainability, community engagement, and architecture.

2015 James Walter Wentling

Philadelphia PA

With developers and homebuilders as clients, James Wentling implemented ground breaking new designs for smaller, more affordable housing set in cohesive, diverse and livable communities delivered at a scale rare among architects.

2014 Alan Ford

Denver CO

Alan Ford has advanced the public and professional understanding of the value of design. Through print and broadcast media, design, lectures, conference and legislative leadership, he has elevated and strengthened the role of the architect.

2014 Mark L. Gillem

Eugene OR

Dr. Mark Gillem is an award-winning educator and practitioner who is advancing the field of architecture and sustainable urbanism through his university teaching, his dissemination of research through training and publications, and his participatory practice.

2014 David Heymann

Austin TX

An innovative educator and gifted communicator, David Heymann conveys the richness and challenge of architecture to a broad audience. His work investigates how buildings carry meaning, and the central role of landscape in architectural design.

2014 Paul M. Hirshorn

Philadelphia PA

Serving as Department Head for twenty five years, Paul Hirshorn has been the face of architectural education at Drexel University, a driving force for academic innovation and enrichment, and a tireless supporter of non-traditional students.

2014 Mira Locher

Salt Lake City UT

Mira Locher AIA, an award-winning educator and architect, integrates her expertise in Japanese design culture and community engagement to educate and advocate the value of well-designed environments to local and international student and public audiences.

2014 Cheryl Morgan

Birmingham AL

Cheryl Morgan is an exemplary leader whose methodology of design education extends the traditional classroom/studio to include the academy, the profession and the community: broadening the impact, reach and potential of design and the profession.

2014 Peter Pennoyer

New York NY

Peter Pennoyer reaches a national audience through his practice, research, writing, and lecturing as a passionate advocate for the vital relevance of classicism to architectural practice today.

2014 Julia Williams Robinson

Minneapolis MN

Innovative teacher and scholar, Julia Robinson, Ph.D., AIA, has contributed to the architectural profession in three areas: 1) social concern, 2) knowledge-based design and 3) the development of a globally-oriented profession.

2014 Brenda Case Scheer

Salt Lake City UT

Brenda Scheer has practiced a transformative model of architectural education, emphasizing that architects must be impactful citizens. As an outspoken leader, she has made social and environmental responsibility a hallmark of her leadership and research.

2014 Anne T. Sullivan

Chicago IL

Championing the dedicated study of historic building technology, Anne T. Sullivan, AIA advances the profession by educating audiences in academia, practice and civic realms on the relevance of preservation architecture in the 21st century.

2013 Morris Brown

El Paso TX

Morris Brown, AIA created educational opportunities for underserved, frequently disadvantaged students in the Southwest and Mexico by establishing and directing community college and accredited degree programs, and enhanced the public's appreciation of architecture and preservation.

2013 David M. Chasco

Champaign IL

David M. Chasco, AIA, has dedicated his educational career to promoting a unified profession by fostering design excellence in the academic and public realms, after achieving creative design excellence in the profession.

2013 Judith DiMaio

Old Westbury NY

DiMaio is an architect, educator and influential design strategist. Her research-based design approach has repositioned history as an active trans-historical component in the design process, expanding the repertoire of architectural strategies for students and professionals.

2013 Kurt Christian Hunker

San Diego CA

In his work as educator, administrator and practitioner, Kurt Hunker has created the national model for innovative and significant approaches to practice-oriented learning in pursuit of a meaningful relationship between profession and academy.

2013 Gregory Kessler

Pullman WA

Gregory Kessler is advancing architecture at the national, regional and local context. He has educated a generation of architects who are elevating the profession. His leadership and scholarship is uniting the academy and profession.

2013 Kathleen Lugosch

Amherst MA

Kathleen Lugosch has had a significant impact on architectural education and the architectural profession: she developed New England's first public accredited architecture program, created an innovative and interdisciplinary curriculum, and created integrated community involvement programs.

2013 Ted Shelton

Knoxville TN

Informing his teaching through research, writing, and practice, Ted Shelton advances our understanding of sustainable design as both a technical and cultural endeavor.

2012 Kevin Bone

New York NY

Kevin Bone's work as an educator focuses on sustainable design. Informed by three decades of architectural practice, ecological research, and public service, he has inspired a generation of students to address environmental issues through architecture.

2012 Gil Cooke

San Diego CA

Gilbert Cooke's dedication to teaching and innovative student experiences has transformed the NewSchool of Architecture & Design and other programs, and his leadership of NCARB and NAAB improved accountability, enhanced testing, and strengthened architectural education.

2012 Rodney Culver Hill

College Station TX

An accomplished architect, sculptor, futurist and educator, Rodney Hill, AIA has dedicated his career to igniting each student's desire for sustainable life-long learning and self-discovery.

2012 Ferdinand S. Johns

Bozeman MT

Ferd Johns is an extraordinary educator and talented architect. He has been trench mate, mentor and exemplar to countless students and colleagues alike for decades, and his enthusiasm for the profession infects all he touches.

2012 David Mohney

Lexington KY

As an educator, advocate, and author, David Mohney has advanced the cause of architecture by positioning professional education and scholarship as a means of enhancing public understanding about how quality design makes a better world.

2011 Stanley T. Allen

Brooklyn NY

Stan Allen is an architect, educator and design thinker. His research-based design practice and published writings have advanced the state of knowledge in architecture and urban design through the integration of landscape, ecology and infrastructure.

2011 Elliott E. Dudnik

Evanston IL

Elliott Dudnik has successfully integrated his teaching, research, writing and professional and academic achievements to create new learning opportunities for students, practitioners, and allied professionals and to improve the standards of the building industry.

2011 Michael Fifield

Eugene OR

As an exceptional educator, Michael Fifield has significantly advanced design excellence through teaching, administration, mentorship, applied research, writing, lecturing, architecture and urban design practice, and leadership to the university, community and the profession.

2011 Ronald W. Haase

Melrose FL

Success in Architectural Education requires a balance between compassionate teaching, the rigor of academic research and critical practice that melds theory with reality. Ronald Haase has accomplished all three in a career-long search for excellence.

2011 Martin J Harms

Ithaca NY

As practitioner, academic and dean, Martin J. Harms' career has exemplified an extraordinary commitment to building substantial, long-lasting bridges between architectural education and the architectural profession.

2011 Richard Licata

Reno NV

Education, sustainability and urban issues have been Richard Licata's career focus. Through education, research and practice his leadership and vision of architecture engages students, community and practitioners, expanding the knowledge of environmental design imperatives.

2011 Clark E. Llewellyn

Honolulu HI

Clark Llewellyn is an impassioned educator with a pioneering spirit. His service bridges the profession and academia. His leadership brings positive change and his vision provides global perspective. He achieves results through connections.

2011 Juan Miró Austin TX

Juan Miró is an internationally recognized architect and educator who has inspired a generation of students through his dedication to teaching and the design excellence of his work, providing a bridge between academia and practice.

2011 Joy D. Swallow Kansas City MO

Joy Swallow is an exemplary leader who envisions and develops unique educational programs in architecture and design. Her significant contributions to the profession, the academy, and her community ensure that opportunities endure for future generations.

2011 William Maxwell Taylor Los Angeles CA

William Taylor has expanded access to the profession, reinvented educational parameters and set course toward a more diverse and inclusive profession by founding an alternative school of architecture and creating a non-traditional design curriculum.

2010 David John Allison Clemson SC

My work as an educator seeks ways to advance and integrate teaching, research, service and practice in architecture for health, and prepare practitioners who can transcend traditional boundaries between research, design, medical planning and construction.

2010 William F. Conway Minneapolis MN

William Conway, AIA created a progressive, interdisciplinary, research-based approach to architectural education that links students and AIA professionals with a national public audience in a meaningful discussion about the form and functions of public space.

2010 Lynn Craig Clemson SC

Teaching the power of drawing with passion and commitment, Lynn Craig inspires communication skills in students, architects and the public, while imparting his creative, professional and collaborative methodologies to assist communities in meeting today's challenges.

2010 Robert Dunay Blacksburg VA

Integrating teaching, research, and scholarship, Robert Dunay has expanded and refined the national discourse of architectural education. In multiple roles, he established innovative cross-disciplinary projects linking academia and architecture through combined education and research venues

2010 Diane Berry Hays San Antonio TX

Diane Hays resurrected UTSA's School of Architecture by forging alliances between academia and the profession, integrating interior design and architecture curricula, and creating enrichment programs that empower students to pursue careers of substance and service.

2010 Joseph Laing Mashburn Houston TX

Forming innovative programs while maintaining an enduring commitment to craft and materiality, Joe Mashburn has led architectural education toward comprehensiveness. He has inspired by example and achieved national prominence as an educator and designer.

2010 Sue Ann Pemberton San Antonio TX

Sue Ann Pemberton teaches by doing. From Texas' historic neighborhoods to Mexico's indigenous villages, she shows students how people and place interact and how to engage with the world to preserve vanishing building traditions.

2010 Otto Paul Poticha Eugene OR

Otto Poticha has shared his experiences, spirit, imagination, inquiry, demonstrated design skills and his passion about Architecture with over 3500 Students during his 47 years as an adjunct Professor while continuing his successful and varied practice.

2010 Dean Sakamoto New Haven CT

Dean specializes in creating exhibitions on architectural topics, exemplifying his commitment to education. His efforts to increase understanding of the built environment at the local, national, and international levels has significantly elevated the architectural profession.

2010 Karen Van Lengen Charlottesville VA

Karen Van Lengen, AIA is a leader in architectural education whose work and innovation have influenced a generation of young architects across the nation. In her career she has served as Teacher, Chair, and Dean.

2009 Dennis A. Andrejko Buffalo NY

Dennis Andrejko's steadfast advocacy and inspirational teaching has pioneered and led connections within the academy and profession. Central to advancing sustainable futures he underscores the inextricable relationship between the built and the natural environment.

2009 Geoffrey Brune

Houston TX

Teaching in the design studio and classroom is the venue where Geoffrey Brune's leadership and accomplishments foster student achievement and elevate design discourse.

2009 Elizabeth A Danze

Austin TX

As educator, scholar and practitioner Elizabeth Danze has expanded the influence of architectural theory and practice across disciplines by examining the convergence of sociology and psychology with the tangibles of space, construction, material, and details.

2009 Donna W. Dunay

Blacksburg VA

Donna Dunay has refined and expanded the national discourse on diversity through teaching, scholarship and research. Her leadership strengthens the relation between history, planning, architecture and civic engagement linking educators, practitioners and government officials.

2009 Donna Kacmar

Houston TX

Donna Kacmar's inspired teaching, integral with her research, writing and practice, brings into clear focus the essential role of the modest and the everyday in the creation of meaningful, technologically advanced, and holistically sustainable architecture.

2009 George Kunihiro

Tokyo Japan

George Kunihiro's service to the profession, both locally and globally, as an architect, educator and advocate of cultural sustainability, has significantly elevated the profession and fostered international awareness of past and present architecture of Asia.

2009 Sigrid Miller Pollin

Amherst MA

Miller Pollin has been a leader in architectural education for 25 years as a professor, department chair and founder of a new MArch program. Her active, highly innovative practice has also inspired hundreds of students.

2009 Patricia Belton Oliver

Pasadena CA

As educator, administrative leader, and advocate, Patricia Belton Oliver has expanded the reach of architecture education from the classroom into the community and has advanced the practice of architecture on campus and around the world.

2009 William J. Rakatansky

Charlotte NC

William Rakatansky, AIA fosters comprehension of building code science through broad-reaching educational venues that inspire architects to create imaginative designs while providing a higher standard for the health, safety and welfare of building occupants.

2009 Gary W. Siebein

Gainesville FL

Gary Siebein has conducted internationally significant research in architectural acoustics; integrated the results of this research in the acoustical design of 1100 significant buildings; and inspired thousands of architecture students through his teaching and publications.

2009 Lynn N. Simon

San Francisco CA

As a pioneer of the sustainable design movement, Lynn N. Simon has been a dynamic catalyst for change. Her inspiring leadership has propelled green building from a nascent idea into mainstream practice.

Object 6 - Advance: research

2023 Abimbola Asojo

Minneapolis MN

Abimbola Asojo is an academic Dean whose multidisciplinary work directly contributes to the architecture profession's future social equity and broader inclusion. She expands access to design education, providing cross-cultural, global perspectives to thousands of students.

2023 Adele Houghton (best example)

Houston TX

Adele Houghton, international pioneer of a transdisciplinary field called architectural epidemiology, empowers architects to deploy research based co-benefits and leverage design to improve community health and advance climate action — a groundbreaking redefinition of value.

2023 Janet Pogue McLaurin (best example)

Ellicott City MD

Janet Pogue McLaurin's groundbreaking research advances the science of workplace design. She redefines our understanding of how people work and thrive, empowers architects with new data-driven insights, and drives the "Future of Work" conversation worldwide.

2022 Ursula Emery McClure (best example)

Lafayette LA

Focusing on resiliency and adaptive preservation between the constructed and natural environment, Ursula EmeryMcClure melds sponsored research, a recognized design practice, and interdisciplinary teaching. From evidentiary to speculative, her professional contributions are expansive and inclusive.

2021 Billie Faircloth

Philadelphia PA

Billie Faircloth demonstrates the power and purpose of research in architecture. She structures novel forms of design inquiry; fosters transdisciplinary collaboration; and creates new knowledge, tools, and practices to amplify the agency of architects.

2021 James Sanders (best example)

New York NY

An internationally recognized architect, author, and filmmaker, James Sanders, AIA has interpreted and expanded appreciation of global cities through books, documentary films, and exhibitions, while enhancing the urban landscape through his own design projects.

2020 Kang S. Kiang

Berkeley CA

Kang Kiang, AIA elevates the art and science of architectural practice though technical innovation and design research, supporting this mission through his role in management, his passion for multidisciplinary collaboration, and his investment in mentorship.

2020 Eugene Logan Wagner (best example)

Austin TX

By tapping into the wisdom of ancient and indigenous building techniques, Logan Wagner establishes a new paradigm for reducing the building industry's environmental impact and empowers architects with time-tested strategies to address the climate crisis.

2019 Joel A. Sanders (best example)

New York NY

Through teaching, writing and practice, Joel Sanders has pioneered the examination of the relationship between architecture, gender and embodied experience, producing design research projects committed to the creation of inclusive spaces.

2018 Rocco Giannetti

New York NY

Rocco Giannetti has spearheaded the transformation of the workplace, integrating wellness, productivity, and sustainability. His precedent-setting work consistently promotes the value of design excellence and advances the importance of interior architecture.

Object 6 - Advance: research

2018 Dean Strombom

Houston TX

Dean Strombom's advocacy with the Mindshift Consortium inspired the design and construction industry's adoption of innovative, efficient project delivery methods; his exploration of "human centered" workplace design enhances worker performance and business strategies worldwide.

2016 Joseph A. Stypka

Chicago IL

Joseph A. Stypka, AIA, advances new methods for thorough integration and communication of design information through establishing industry standards, educating professionals, and supporting development of signature buildings worldwide.

2016 Daniel Watch

Atlanta GA

Dan Watch, global leader in laboratory design, has authored four books, designed over 12 million sf across four continents and won six international design competitions. His work, advocating sustainability, writing, and lecturing has educated thousands.

2015 Jeffrey Raven (best example)

New York NY

Jeffrey Raven is a recognized leader in sustainable and resilient urban design whose innovative research is applied through his professional practice and disseminated throughout the profession, academia, government and allied disciplines.

2014 Robert Paul Dean

Atlanta GA

Robert Paul Dean has invented and developed many innovative software products that have helped thousands of architects nationwide produce accurate, up-to-date, and better coordinated construction documents more efficiently and economically than would otherwise be possible.

2014 Melissa M. Farling

Phoenix AZ

Drawing on her passion to quantify behavioral and physiological impacts of architecture, Melissa Farling has advanced design excellence by conducting leading-edge research, sharing findings through public awareness efforts, and applying those significant findings to design.

2014 Deborah Gans

Brooklyn NY

Deborah Gans has invigorated socially responsible practice in the profession. Through writing, design research and inventive public advocacy, she has set a new standard for how we, as designers, confront emerging global problems.

2012 George A. Hinds

Chicago IL

George Hinds' continuous sixty years commitment to architecture and planning as research, in his international contributions within academia, writing, and in practice, have set an example for all of those fortunate to follow in his precocious trailblazing.

2011 Paul Lukez

Somerville MA

Paul Lukez builds bridges between academia and practice through design research (drawing, testing, building and writing). He develops and shares knowledge about the transformation of architecture and (sub)-urban design, benefitting (inter)-national users and audiences.

2011 Mardelle McCuskey Shepley

College Station TX

Mardelle Shepley, an early practitioner-researcher and leader in health facility architecture, has dedicated her career to infusing emerging knowledge into the design process and serving as a translator between architects and research scientists.

2010 Tom Harvey

Dallas TX

Through his leadership, substantive research, design and education, Tom Harvey's commitment to improving the performance of healthcare buildings has consistently delivered efficient work settings for caregivers and inspiring, healing environments for patients and their families.

Object 6 – Advance: research

2009 Mark Alan Hewitt Bernardsville NJ

During a career spanning 30 years, Mark Alan Hewitt has made a major contribution to the understanding of American architecture through his books, articles, teaching and advocacy for building preservation.

2009 Patrick Loughran Chicago IL

Internationally recognized building enclosure expert, author Patrick Loughran, AIA, has provided the architectural community with new understandings of innovative building-skin design. His books have been adapted worldwide as a source for understanding facade technology.

2022 Lori A. Brown (best example)

Syracuse NY

Through design research, writing, and advocacy, Lori A. Brown is transforming architecture into a more diverse discipline that responds to contemporary social and political conditions while raising awareness of women's contributions to the built environment.

2020 Blaine Brownell (best example)

Minneapolis MN

An architect dedicated to materials research and education, Blaine Brownell has deeply influenced architects' capacity to evaluate emerging materials and employ new material applications that are technologically, environmentally, and aesthetically innovative.

2020 Bruce N. Wright

Minneapolis MN

Bruce Wright, AIA is a design writer whose technical knowledge has transformed the profession's understanding of architectural fabrics and new materials. His career shows how architects who write enrich the profession's innovation and scope.

2018 Joann Gonchar

New York NY

Through her work as a journalist, Joann Gonchar provides architects with critical information, insight, and inspiration. Her articles, which clearly communicate complex design and technical innovations, promote best practices in sustainability, structures, materials, and preservation.

2018 Thomas Leslie

Ames IA

Thomas Leslie's practice-based approach to architectural history has influenced scholars and educators worldwide, explaining through critically acclaimed books and articles how technical, economic, political, and social factors have influenced design and construction.

2018 Naomi Pollock

Minato-ku, Tokyo, Japan

Naomi Pollock is the leading journalist covering architecture in Japan. Bridging vast cultural, language and geographic gaps, she illuminates the significance and lessons of Japanese design for architects and students of architecture around the world.

2018 Louis Wasserman

Shorewood WI

Buildings shape and entertain us by telling their story: what Louis Wasserman calls Narrative Architecture. His work enlightens, extends and shares the cultural history of architecture with the public and the professional.

2012 Michael J. Crosbie

Essex CT

Through diverse outlets, architect and writer Michael J. Crosbie communicates essential knowledge on design, practice, and education to design professionals and architectural educators, while raising the general public's understanding and appreciation of architecture.

2011 Paul Adamson

San Francisco CA

Paul Adamson successfully advocates for appreciation and preservation of mid-century modern architecture, elucidating its lessons and core values, and endorsing through writing and lectures the application of these ideas to improve contemporary middle-class residential design.

2011 Robert G. Shibley

Buffalo NY

Robert Shibley provides exemplary planning and urban design leadership for Buffalo and Western New York, authors outstanding urban design case histories, and produces tools supporting excellence in planning and design practice as well as education.

2010 James S. Russell

New York NY

Through his work as a journalist, James S. Russell provides essential knowledge to professionals on design, technical and practice issues. For general-interest publications, he has enhanced public understanding and appreciation of architecture.