

AIANYS Honor Awards Nomination Guidelines

Who May Nominate an Honor Award Candidate?

Nominations must be made by an AIA New York State local Chapter. This can either be the Executive Director or CACE Member, or Chapter President. All submissions will be collected digitally through our nomination portal.

The exception being the Legislator of the Year Award who shall be nominated by the Board, Executive Committee or Government Affairs Committee as a recommendation to the Board or Executive Committee and shall specify the legislative contributions of the nominee to the profession and practice of architecture.

Nominations

All nominations must be submitted in accordance with the guidelines below.

Each nomination will be done digitally. You will need the following to complete the nomination.

1. Submitter's name, address, phone, e-mail, local Chapter name.
2. A one-page nomination letter that summarizes the contributions made for the specific AIANYS award. Please be sure and read the award description carefully. You will submit this as text directly into the submission portal.
3. A brief biography of the nominee, including a list of offices, positions, honors, publications, and presentations that relate to the purpose of the award. You will submit this as text directly into the submission portal.
4. Nominee's component, if applicable.
5. Nominee's preferred mailing address, phone, e-mail.
6. Exhibits, if appropriate for the nominee, to illustrate accomplishments that relate to the purpose of the award. These will be uploaded as individual PDFs.
7. A maximum of five (5) one-page letters of support; letters should be explicit in their recommendation and contain specific reasons for support. These will be uploaded as individual PDF's
8. Recent high-resolution photo of nominee in color (1 mb minimum)

Schedule

All nominations must be received by October 22, at 11:59 PM.

Honor Award Descriptions

James William Kidney

Est. in 1981 in honor of the late James William Kidney, FAIA, AIA Buffalo/WNY Chapter, who was one of the founders of the New York State Association of Architects and its first president from 1938-1942. Recognized as the highest award that AIANYS can bestow on one of its members, the purpose of the Kidney Award is to recognize a lifetime of notable contributions by an architect to the profession, the professional society, and the community. The Kidney Award shall be conferred on an AIANYS member who has been a member within the last five years & demonstrated a lifetime of sustained community leadership, thus advancing the profession of architecture through making the community a better place to live. The Kidney Award winner will have also demonstrated an active interest and leadership role in the profession and professional society at the local, state, or national level.

Matthew W. Del Gaudio Service Award

Est. in 1971 in honor of the late Matthew W. Del Gaudio, FAIA, AIA New York Chapter, who was one of the founders of the New York State Association of Architects and its third president from 1944- 1947. The purpose of the Del Gaudio Service Award is to recognize outstanding and significant service by an AIANYS member to the profession through promoting the profession of architecture. The Del Gaudio Service Award shall be conferred on an AIANYS member who has provided distinguished service to AIANYS and demonstrated notable competence advancing the profession of architecture. The Del Gaudio Service Award winner will have also demonstrated an active interest and leadership role in AIANYS.

President's Award

Est. in 1984, the purpose of the President's Award is to recognize outstanding contributions to the profession in education, industry or government by an AIANYS member. The President's Award shall be conferred on an AIANYS member who, through outstanding efforts of professional competence in non-traditional areas of architectural practice, has demonstrated lasting influence and raised the standards of professional performance and increased the recognition of professional competence by others. The President's Award winner will have also demonstrated an active interest and leadership role in the professional society at the local, state, or national level.

AIANYS Educator Award

Est. in 2005, the purpose of the Educator Award is to recognize notable contributions and accomplishments by an architectural educator (does not have to be an AIA member) within New York State.

AIANYS Intern – Associate Award

Est. in 2005, the purpose of the Intern-Associate Award is to recognize notable contributions and accomplishments by an intern or associate member of AIANYS.

AIANYS Student Award

Est. in 2005, the purpose of the Student Award is to recognize notable contributions and accomplishments by a student member of AIAS within New York State.

AIANYS Firm Award

Est. in 2005, the purpose of the Firm Award is to recognize

notable achievements in design, community service, education, and service to the profession and the AIA by an architectural firm within New York State. Projects, accomplishments, and service submitted must reflect a period of at least 10 years.

Legislator of the Year Award

Est. in 1977, the purpose of the Legislator of the Year Award is to recognize outstanding legislative contributions to the profession and the practice of architecture by a New York State Legislator. The Legislator of the Year will have demonstrated leadership and an active role in advancing the legislative priorities of AIANYS. This individual shall be nominated by the Board, Executive Committee or Government Affairs Committee as a recommendation to the Board or Executive Committee and shall specify the legislative contributions of the nominee to the profession and practice of architecture.

Honorary Member of AIA New York State

Est. in 1989, the purpose of Honorary Membership in AIANYS is to recognize outstanding and significant accomplishments of a person outside the profession of architecture. Honorary Membership in the State Association shall be conferred on a person of esteemed character who is not eligible for regular or associate membership, but who has rendered distinguished service to the profession of architecture or the arts and science allied therein.

Frederic Schwartz Community Development Award

Est. in 1985, the purpose of the Community Development Award is to recognize and acknowledge projects and individuals who have had a substantial impact on the built environment within the various localities of New York State or on the State as a whole. This Award, in the form of a citation, may be made to any individual, community or civic organization, governmental agency, or private corporation whose efforts have resulted in a significant and positive improvement to the built environment.

Fellows Award

Est. in 2006, the purpose of this award is to recognize a Fellow of the AIA who has exemplified the philosophy of Mentorship within the profession. This individual either personally, or through his or her firm has exceeded in helping a young architect (as defined by AIA), student or an unlicensed individual to gain a greater knowledge of the profession and has assisted them in achieving more than they would have normally within the profession without this guidance.

Emerging Professionals Component Award

This award conferred by AIANYS on those chapters committees that have helped achieved the mission of their respective chapter and development of emerging professionals through leadership development, design and community service.

Young Architect Award

The Young Architect Award is to recognize notable contributions and accomplishments to the architecture profession by a young architect member in New York State who has also demonstrated exceptional leadership.