Texas Society of Architects

2024 Studio Awards
Call for Entries

The Texas Society of Architects Studio Awards recognize unbuilt projects demonstrating innovation and excellence in design. Real or theoretical projects that go beyond the boundaries of architecture to address current critical issues are encouraged.

The 2024 Studio Awards jurors will be announced on our website, *texasarchitects. org*, and the jury will conduct deliberations in July. Jurors will base their decisions on the entrant's PDF Presentation and project description only. Once the final selections have been made, winners will be notified and then announced on the TxA website and social media accounts.

Winning projects will be published in the November/December 2024 issue of *Texas Architect* magazine. Designers will be recognized at the Texas Society of Architects' 85th Annual Conference and Design Expo, which will take place in Houston on October 3–5, 2024.

Entry Checklist

Entries must be submitted online via *Submittable form*. Each entry must contain the following:

☐ PDF Presentation (11 slides max)

☐ JPEG copy of each slide (11 slides max)

☐ Project Description (200 words max, to be included on the second slide)

☐ 2-3 high-resolution images (max file size: 2 MB each)

☐ Completed submission form via Submittable with permission from all appropriate parties

☐ Entry fee payment (non-refundable):
   » $140 per entry for TxA/AIA members
   » $45 per entry for faculty or students
   » $250 per entry for non-members

Entry Deadline
All entries must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. CT on Tuesday, June 18, 2024.

Submit your entry online on *Submittable* or at: *texasarchitects.org/studio-awards.*

Project Eligibility

To be considered for a Texas Society of Architects 2024 Studio Award, projects must be submitted in accordance with the following requirements:

» Design must have been completed after January 1, 2019.

» Individuals or firms whose primary office is located in Texas may enter any number of proposed projects located anywhere in the world.

» Texas-registered architects located in another state may enter any number of proposed projects located in Texas.

» Registered architects and Texas Society of Architects Associate/Intern members may enter theoretical projects or real projects currently on the boards or in the drawers but not under construction.

» Faculty teaching at any higher education design program in Texas may enter current design-focused research projects. Faculty projects must not have been built at the time they are entered into the awards program.

» Students and faculty may enter studio projects from any higher education design program in Texas. Studio projects must not have been built at the time they are entered into the awards program.

Presentation Criteria

» PDF Presentations must contain no more than 11 pages/slides per project; however, each slide may contain more than one image.

» Include graphic scales and directional north arrows to ensure a complete understanding of the project.

» The first slide should include the project's title along with its total square footage and proposed location.

» A 200-word description (to be included on the second slide) of the project should include evidence of its positive impact on individuals and communities, as well as of the extent to which it achieves program requirements and design solutions. Include a representative image along with the description.

» The name of the entrant's name, school, or firm must NOT be visible on any of the images or slides; if this happens, the entry may be disqualified.

Special Criteria

» URBAN DESIGN
Urban design projects may involve landscape architecture, planning programs, civic improvements, environmental considerations, and redevelopment. Urban design projects submitted for Studio Awards can be in the planning or design stage, in process of construction, or partially built. However, the full plan cannot be completed and/or implemented to be considered for Studio Awards.

Specifications

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Presentation Tips
» Order your images so that they tell a clear, concise story.
» Use plans and graphics to support the story. Show simplified, clean plans that allow for quick comprehension. Plans should support and complement the graphics.
» Select only the best graphics (renderings or drawings) to represent your project. You may not need all 11 slides (pages) to illustrate the design solution.
» Edit your images for screen presentation. Process and size images accordingly.
» Show images as large as possible on each slide. You may group multiple images on one slide.
» Brief captions or labels will help jurors quickly grasp important information.
» Do not set your presentation to auto-transition or to a timed interval. Jurors may want to study one slide at a time.
» Adhere to the digital requirements, checking to be sure your PDF presentation is no larger than 15 MB.
» Test your files prior to submitting your entry.

Submittable Access
» *TxA's Submittable Page*

Submission Requirements

The following are guidelines for preparing your entry, which should be submitted online at *texasarchitects.org/studio-awards*.

PDF Presentation
» Provide one presentation in PDF format with no more than 11 pages/slides. The file name should be the same as the project name (for example, "JonesHouse.pdf").
» The first slide should include the project's title along with its total square footage and location.
» Slide two of the presentation should include the project description with bullet points and/or a brief paragraph describing the project, all on a white background. The narrative must describe the project in no more than 200 words. Include program requirements and design solutions, and briefly detail information supporting objectives such as community impact, sustainability, energy-efficient performance, etc. This slide should include the project name and an image that represents the project.
» Do not identify the entrant or firm on the slides, images, or in any text.
» Pages should be 11 x 8.5 inches, and oriented horizontally (landscape).
» Font sizes should be 7 pt or larger.
» Presentations should be concise and of high graphic quality. They may not contain sound, animation, video clips, panorama movies, or hyperlinks.
» Each PDF presentation file should not exceed 15 MB.

Public Gallery View
» Provide a JPEG of each slide/page of the presentation. Ensure the final JPEGs of slides are appropriate size for viewing on a screen, saved no larger than 11 x 8.5 inches at 72 or 150 dpi. Each image should be no larger than 2 MB.
» The file name should be the same as the project name plus page number (for example, "JonesHouse_pg1.jpg").
» Upload in the same chronological order as the presentation to Submittable in the appropriate field. These will be used in the public gallery view.

High-Resolution Images
» Include 2-3 high-resolution digital images you feel best represent the project. All images must be in JPEG format, no larger than 2 MB each, and at least 5 inches on the shortest side at 300 dpi. The file name of each image should include both the project name and credit (for example, "JonesHouse_imagebyJohnSmith.jpg").
» Note: By providing these images, the entrant is providing permission for the Texas Society of Architects to use images for editorial and promotional purposes.

Completed Entry Form
» Each entry must include a fully completed *Submission Form* approved by all appropriate parties and payment.

Entry Fee Payment
» Entry fee is $140 per entry for TxA members; $45 per entry for faculty or students; and $250 per entry for non-members.
» Pay online using a debit or credit card.