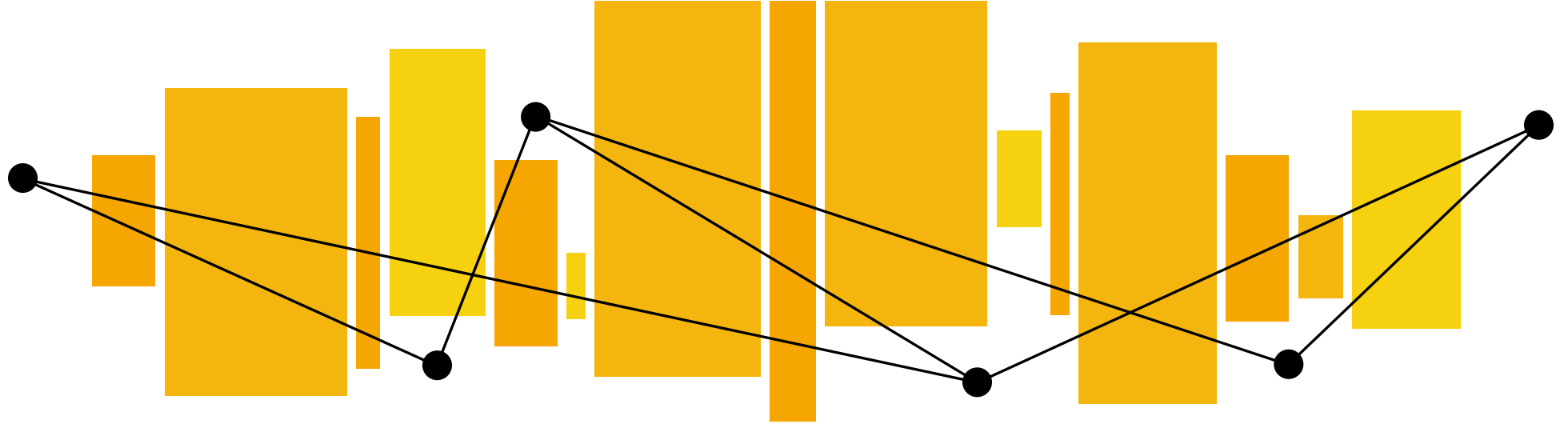


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Excellence in Craft Awards Call for Entries



AIA Iowa Excellence in Craft Awards

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Craftspeople and skilled trades bring design concepts to life through intensive collaboration, careful planning, and skilled execution. The Craft Award honors these efforts as evidenced in high-quality fabrication, assembly, and installation.

Recognizing Iowa craftspeople and / or companies who demonstrate particular skill and inventiveness in the execution and incorporation of their craft into our built environment.

Eligibility

- Entries shall be elements or objects from projects of all scales.
- Project must have been completed within the last five (5) years.
- Any project that has previously received an Excellence in Craft Award by AIA Iowa may not be entered.
- Constructed by Iowa craftspeople and / or companies from projects by AIA Iowa Member Firm or Allied Member.
- Projects need not be located in Iowa.
- An individual or firm may submit an unlimited number of entries.



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Jury

Respected professionals from the architectural community, outside the state of Iowa. The jury chair is selected, and they assemble a jury.

Entry Fee

An entry fee of \$200 is required for each submission. Entrants should complete the online form at AIAIowa.org to begin the process. Following payment, entrants will receive further instructions for project submission. Fees cannot be refunded for submittals not received.

Timetable

Entry fees must be received electronically through AIAIowa.org by **August 6, 2026**. After we receive your entries, we will email you instructions, concealed identification numbers (you will enter this in your online submission), and online submission directions. Completed entries must be uploaded to the site by 4 p.m. **August 7, 2026**.

Presentation

The Excellence in Craft Awards will be presented at the AIA Iowa Design Awards Celebration, Thursday, September 24, 2026, and will be published in the Iowa Architect magazine. Award winning firms will be notified prior to the presentation to allow for additional representatives to be present at the celebration.

Submission Requirements

Each entrant will be sent instructions on how to submit their projects digitally to IowaArchitecture.org. In order to establish a common basis for judging submissions, the data and graphic portions of the submittal is to be completed and submitted online. It will be the entrant's responsibility to ensure that the submissions remain anonymous and are cleared for release by their respective photographers, architects, etc.

All submissions will be submitted through IowaArchitecture.org digitally. The following information will be captured through the online form:

General Info: Public Project Title, Public Project Description, Project Completion Date, Project Cost

Physical Info: Address, Square Feet, Project Type, Building Type

Secondary Firm: Name, Phone Number, Address

People Involved: Contractor, Engineer, Photographer, etc.

Image Upload Requirements: 1500 px X 800 px at 300 dpi.

File types: JPG, GIF, PNG

Releases: Architect, Copyright

Code of Ethics Acknowledgment

Juried Content: CIN, Square Feet, Project Cost, (1) Project Narrative, (14) Photos as outlined in submission